BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW ORDINANCE NO. 1498

AN ORDINANCE OF BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW, ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, ADOPTING THE 2018 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, REGULATING AND GOVERNING THE CONDITIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF ALL PROPERTY, BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES; BY PROVIDING THE STANDARDS FOR SUPPLIED UTILITIES AND FACILITIES AND OTHER PHYSICAL THINGS AND CONDITIONS ESSENTIAL TO ENSURE THAT STRUCTURES ARE SAFE, SANITARY AND FIT FOR OCCUPATION AND USE; AND THE CONDEMNATION OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES UNFIT FOR HUMAN OCCUPANCY AND USE, AND THE DEMOLITION OF SUCH EXISTING STRUCTURES IN THE BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREFORE; REPEALING ALL OTHER ORDINANCES AND PARTS OF THE ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it Ordained and Enacted by the Borough of West View, County of Allegheny, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as follows:

Section 1. That a certain document, three (3) copies of which are on file in the office of the Borough Manager/Secretary of the Borough of West View, being marked and designated as the International Property Maintenance Code, 2018 Edition, as published by the International Code Council, and as may be amended and revised hereafter, be and is hereby adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the Borough of West View, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such existing structures as herein provided; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said Property Maintenance Code on file in the office of the Borough of West View are hereby referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this Ordinance, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 2 of this Ordinance.

Section 2. The following sections are hereby revised:

Section 101.1. Borough of West View.

Section 103.5. Fees. The fees for activities and services performed by the department in carrying out its responsibilities under this code shall be as established by Borough Council by resolution.

Section 112.4. The fines as adopted by the Borough of West View are as set forth as a not less than \$5.00 and not more than \$300.00 plus costs of prosecution, for each offense, and in default of payment thereof, shall be committed to the Allegheny County Jail for a period of not more than 30 days. Fines may be amended from time to time by Borough Resolution.

Section 302.4. Grass: Premises and exterior property shall be maintained free from weeds or plant growth in excess of 10 inches. Noxious weeds shall be prohibited. Weeds shall be defined as all grasses, annual plants and vegetation, other than trees or shrubs; provided, however, that this term shall not include cultivated flowers and gardens. Upon failure of the owner or agent having charge of a property to cut and destroy weeds after service of a notice of violation, they shall be subject to prosecution in accordance with Section 106.3 and as prescribed by the authority having jurisdiction. Upon failure to comply with the notice of violation, in case any owner or occupant shall neglect, fail or refuse to comply with such notice within the period of time stated therein, the Borough authorities may remove, trim or cut such grass, weeds or other vegetation, and the cost thereof, with an additional amount of 10%, may be collected by the Borough from such owner or occupant in the manner provided by law.

Section 304.14. Insect screens: During the period from May 15 to September 30, every door, window and other outside opening utilized or required for ventilation purposes serving any structure containing habitable rooms, food preparation areas, food service areas or any areas where products to be included or utilized in food or human consumption are processed, manufactured, packaged or stored, shall be supplied with approved tightly fitting screens of not less than 16 mesh per inch, and every swinging door shall have a self-closing device in good working condition.

Section 602.3. Heat Supply: Every owner and operator of any building who rents, leases or lets one or more dwelling units, rooming units, dormitory or guestrooms on terms, either express or implied, to furnish heat to the occupants thereof shall supply sufficient heat during the period from October 1 to May 15 to maintain the room temperatures specified in Section 602.2 during the hours between 6:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. of each day and not less than 65° F. at any other time.[1]

Section 602.4. Insert: Every owner and operator of any building who rents, leases or lets one or more dwelling units, rooming units, dormitory or guestrooms on terms, either express or implied, to furnish heat to the occupants thereof shall supply sufficient heat during the period from October 1 to May 15 to maintain the room temperatures specified in Section 602.2 during the hours between 6:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. of each day and not less than 65° F. at any other time.[1]

<u>Section 3</u>. That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. Borough Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective

of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional.

Section 4. That nothing in this Ordinance or in the Property Maintenance Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or Ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 2 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

Section 5. That this Ordinance and the rules, regulations, provisions, requirements, orders and matters established and adopted hereby shall take effect and be in full force and effect thirty (30) days from and after the date of its final passage and adoption.

The effective date of this Ordinance shall be August 9th, 2018.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED THIS 9th day of August 2018.

ATTEST:

Chief of Police Bruce A. Fromlak Secretary/Manager

BOROUGH OF WEST VIEW

Ulz, P Gul William F. Aguglia, President Town Council

Approved as to form:

R. Henry, Mayor Town Council