

**ORDINANCE NO. 2836**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ENUMCLAW, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON AMENDING ENUMCLAW MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9.60.050 REGARDING FALSE ALARM RESPONSE TIMELINES, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**Whereas**, the timeline for a property owner to provide a response to a false alarm is unreasonably short and is not consistent with the timelines for response for other code violations, and

**Whereas**, the amendment to the municipal code will provide consistency for property owners.

**Now, therefore, the City Council of the City of Enumclaw, King County, Washington do ordain as follows:**

**Section 1:** Section 9.60.050 of the Enumclaw Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

**9.60.050 Fees.**

A. The city shall impose the following administrative sanctions upon a police response to any false alarm:

1. Upon a first response to a premises at which no other false alarm has occurred, notice of the conditions and requirements of this chapter shall be given to the person having or maintaining such alarm system. The notice shall also request that possible causes of the apparent malfunction be examined, and any corrective action be taken to prevent future occurrences.
2. If a second response to a premises occurs as a result of a false alarm within a six-month period, the person having or maintaining such burglary

and/or robbery alarm shall, within ~~three~~twenty-one (21) working days after notice to do so, submit a written report to the chief of police on a prescribed form setting forth the cause of such false alarm, the corrective action taken, and such other information as the chief of police or his designee may reasonably require to determine the cause of such false alarm, any mitigating circumstances and necessary corrective action. The chief of police or his designee shall be authorized to inspect or cause to be inspected the alarm system at such premises, prescribe necessary corrective action, and shall give notice to the person having or maintaining such alarm system of the conditions and requirements of this section. All costs of inspection and corrective action shall be borne by the individual having or maintaining the alarm on the premises.

3. If a third response to a premises occurs within a six-month period, the person having or maintaining such alarm system shall, within ~~three~~twenty-one (21) working days after notice to do so, submit a written report to the chief of police on prescribed forms setting forth the cause of such false alarm, as well as a written statement by a certified alarm repair service, indicating the action taken and a statement of reliability. In addition, notice will be given that future occurrences within the same six-month period will result in a monetary assessment of \$50.00.

**Section 2:** Severability. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance and/or the attached exhibit should be held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the

validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance and/or the attached exhibit.

**Section 3:** Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force five (5) days from and after its passage, approval and publication as required by law.

PASSED IN REGULAR AND OPEN SESSION this 13 day of April, 2026.

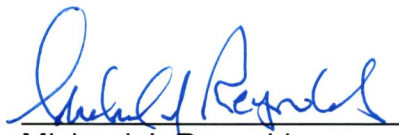
  
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Mayor Anthony Wright

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