Introduced: 09-23-2024 Adopted: 10-28-2024

TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD ORDINANCE #2024-17

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD, ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 14, SECTION 1.9, FIRE PREVENTION, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Township of Fairfield ("Governing Body") desires to amend the sections of the Code in order to revise the regulations regarding the reset, disabling or tampering of an activated Fire Alarm, Sprinkler or Life Safety System.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Fairfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. Chapter 14, Section 1.9c.2., entitled "Technical Amendments to State Standards", of the Township Code of the Township of Fairfield is hereby amended to read as follows: (All additions are shown in **bold italics with underlines.** The deletions are shown as **strikeovers in bold italics.**)

- §14-1.9 Technical Amendments to State Standards.
- c. Section 511 Fire Alarms- shall read as follows:

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2. 511.2 Evacuation of Premises. When a fire alarm occurs in any building, structure or premises containing a fire alarm or fire protection system, the occupants will be notified and once so notified shall immediately leave the structure or premises. Once notified, no persons shall enter or re-enter, until authorized to do so by the Fire Chief, Fire Official or his representative.

Any person who refuses to leave, interferes with the evacuation of other occupants or continues any operation after having been given an evacuation order, except such work as that person is allowed to perform, shall be deemed in violation of the New Jersey Uniform Fire Code and be subject to a penalty and/or arrest as provided therein.

The Fire Chief or his representative shall certify in writing to the Chief/Fire Official any violation of the above prior to the issuance of any notice of violation or penalty. The certification shall include the name of any occupant who failed to evacuate and the date and time of occurrence.

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No person shall reset, disable or tamper with an activated Fire Alarm System, Sprinkler System or Life Safety System for any reason prior to the arrival and authorization of the Fairfield Fire Department or the Fairfield Fire Prevention Bureau.

SECTION 2. All actions of the Township taken prior to the date of adoption hereof contemplated by this Ordinance are hereby ratified and approved.

SECTION 3. If any section, paragraph, subsection, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of this Ordinance as a whole or any remaining part thereof.

SECTION 4. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of the Township of Fairfield heretofore adopted that are inconsistent with any of the terms and provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

WILLIAM GALESE Mayor

ATTEST:

DENISE D. CAFONE Municipal Clerk

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the foregoing Ordinance was submitted in writing at a meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Township of Fairfield, County of Essex, State of New Jersey, held on September 23, 2024 introduced and read by title and passed first reading and that said Governing Body will further consider the same for second reading and final passage thereof at a meeting that is to be held on October 28, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.; at the Municipal Building, 230 Fairfield Road, Fairfield, New Jersey, at which time and place a public hearing will be held thereon by the Governing Body and all persons and citizens of interest shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

DENISE D. CAFONE Municipal Clerk Introduced: 09-23-2024 Adopted: 10-28-2024

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE #2024-17 ~ AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF FAIRFIELD, ESSEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY AMENDING CHAPTER 14, SECTION 1.9, FIRE PREVENTION, OF THE TOWNSHIP CODE

INTRODUCED BY: Councilman Campisi SECONDED BY: Councilman McGlynn PUBLISHED: September 26, 2024

ROLL CALL VOTE

ROLL CALL VOIE								
GOVERNING BODY	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NOT VOTING			
COUNCILPRESIDENT JOSEPH CIFELLI	X							
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL B. MCGLYNN	X							
COUNCILMAN JOHN LAFORGIA	X							
COUNCILMAN PETER CAMPISI	X							
MAYOR WILLIAM GALESE	X							

2ND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING: October 28, 2024

ADOPTED BY: Councilman McGlynn SECONDED BY: Council President Cifelli

PUBLISHED: October 31, 2024

ROLL CALL VOTE

ROLL CALL VOIE								
GOVERNING BODY	AYES	NAYS	ABSTAIN	ABSENT	NOT VOTING			
COUNCILPRESIDENT JOSEPH CIFELLI	X							
COUNCILMAN MICHAEL B. MCGLYNN	X							
COUNCILMAN JOHN LAFORGIA	X							
COUNCILMAN PETER CAMPISI	X							
MAYOR WILLIAM GALESE	X							