NEW LEGISLATION

July 11, 2011

The following legislation has been temporarily assigned to the below-stated committee by the Clerk of Council:

Temp. No.	Introduced	Committee	Description
B-71	7/11/11	Fin	An ordinance authorizing the Mayor to enter into a settlement agreement in the case of John P. Richard, Jr. v. City of Cuyahoga Falls, and declaring an emergency.
B-72	7/11/11	Fin	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to issue an encroachment permit to the Judith Loving Trust for the purpose of installing and operating a private sanitary force main sewer in Quick Road, and declaring an emergency.
B-73	7/11/11	PI	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the repair and resurfacing of the parking lot at Brookledge Golf Course, and declaring an emergency.
B-74	7/11/11	PI	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the repair and resurfacing of State Road between Quick Road and Seasons Road, and declaring an emergency.
B-75	7/11/11	PI	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the installation of storm sewers on Issaquah and Sequoia Streets, and declaring an emergency.
B-76	7/11/11	PA	An ordinance amending Sections 161.05, 161.07, 161.09. 161.11 and 161.13 of Title Seven, Part One of the Codified Ordinances, relating to municipal income tax, and declaring an emergency.
B-77	7/11/11	PA	An ordinance amending Sections 771.01, 771.02, 771.03, 771.04, and 771.05 of Part Seven of the Codified Ordinances, relating to alarm systems and false alarms, and declaring an emergency.

CALENDAR

July 11, 2011

The following legislation will be up for passage at the Council Meeting on July 11, 2011.

Temp. No.	Introduced	Committee	Description
B-67	6/27/11	Fin	An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of \$8,600,000 principal amount of notes, in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, for the purpose of revitalizing the State Road Redevelopment Area by acquiring, clearing and improving certain properties in that area, and declaring an emergency.
B-68	6/27/11	Fin	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with D&G Uniforms, Inc., for the purchase of body armor vests, and declaring an emergency.
B-69	6/27/11	PI	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the repair and resurfacing of Portage Trail from 4 th Street to 13 th Street, and declaring an emergency.

PENDING LEGISLATION

July 11, 2011

Temp. No.	Introduced	Committee	Description
B-53	5/9/11	PA	An ordinance enacting new Section 1366.06 of Title 7, Part 13 of the Codified Ordinances, relating to outdoor composting, and declaring an emergency.
B-54	5/9/11	PA	An ordinance amending Section 505.18 of Part 5 of the Codified Ordinances, relating to feeding of birds, and declaring an emergency.
B-62	6/13/11	PΖ	An ordinance amending Chapter 1115, Title 1, and Section 1131.03 of Chapter 1131, Title 3, Part 11 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cuyahoga Falls (General Development Code), relating to regulation of crematories, and declaring an emergency.
B-64	6/13/11	PI	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the reconstruction of concrete pavement at various locations in the city, and declaring an emergency.
B-67	6/27/11	Fin	An ordinance providing for the issuance and sale of \$8,600,000 principal amount of notes, in anticipation of the issuance of bonds, for the purpose of revitalizing the State Road Redevelopment Area by acquiring, clearing and improving certain properties in that area, and declaring an emergency.
B-68	6/27/11	Fin	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Safety to enter into a contract or contracts, without competitive bidding, with D&G Uniforms, Inc., for the purchase of body armor vests, and declaring an emergency.
B-69	6/27/11	PI	An ordinance authorizing the Director of Public Service to enter into a contract or contracts, according to law, for the repair and resurfacing of Portage Trail from 4 th Street to 13 th Street, and declaring an emergency.
B-70	6/27/11	PA	A resolution urging the Ohio General Assembly to promptly enact pending legislation which would regulate dangerous hallucinogenic substances that are currently being marketed as bath salts and plant food, by adding such substances to the list of controlled substances identified in Section 3719.41 of the Ohio Revised Code, and declaring an emergency.

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1	B-72	Presented by the Administration
2	CITY OF CUYAHO	OGA FALLS, OHIO
4 5	ORDINANCE NO.	- 2011
6 7 8 9 10 11	SERVICE TO ISSUE AN ENCI JUDITH LOVING TRUST FOR	G THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC ROACHMENT PERMIT TO THE THE PURPOSE OF INSTALLING SANITARY FORCE MAIN SEWER ING AN EMERGENCY.
12 13 14	BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Ohio, that:	of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit and State
15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22	permit, revocable at the will of Council, to the cand operating a private 4-inch sanitary force markoad, from 4557 Quick Road to an existing san permit shall be substantially in the form now or	is hereby authorized to issue an encroachment Judith Loving Trust, for the purpose of installing ain sewer within the public right-of-way of Quick nitary sewer approximately 900 feet south. The n file with the Clerk in Council File No and necessary in the opinion of the Director of Law to
23 24 25 26 27 28	inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, but	utions or portions of ordinances and resolutions any ordinances and resolutions or portions of herewith and which have not previously been
29 30 31 32 33	relating to the adoption of this ordinance were that all deliberations of this Council and of any	all formal actions of this Council concerning and adopted in an open meeting of this Council and y of its committees that resulted in such formal compliance with all legal requirements including
34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41	preservation of the public peace, health, safety, Falls, and provided it receives the affirmative appointed to Council, it shall take effect and	ed to be an emergency measure necessary for the convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga vote of two-thirds of the members elected or be in force immediately upon its passage and ffect and be in force at the earliest period allowed
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15 16 17	BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City Ohio, that:	of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit and State of	
18 19 20 21 22		s hereby authorized to enter into a contract or resurfacing of the parking lot at Brookledge Golf	
23 24	<u>Section 2.</u> The Director of Finance is hereby from the Capital Projects Fund.	authorized and directed to make payment for same	
25 26 27 28 29		tions or portions of ordinances and resolutions any ordinances and resolutions not inconsistent pealed are hereby ratified and confirmed.	
30 31 32 33 34	relating to the adoption of this ordinance were at all deliberations of this Council and of any of its o	all formal actions of this Council concerning and lopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that ommittees that resulted in such formal action, were ith all legal requirements, to the extent applicable, es.	
35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44	<u>Section 5.</u> This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, for the reason that it is immediately necessary to permit timely and appropriate development of this property, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.		
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Avenue and Sequoia Street.

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CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 161.05, 161.07, 161.09. 161.11 and 161.13 OF TITLE SEVEN, PART ONE OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, RELATING TO MUNICIPAL INCOME TAX. AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit, and State of Ohio, that:

<u>Section 1.</u> Sections 161.05, 161.07, 161.09, 161.11, and 161.13, of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cuyahoga Falls are hereby amended to read in full as follows (new text <u>underlined</u>; deleted text in <u>strikethrough</u>):

161.05 RETURN AND PAYMENT OF TAX.

- (a) Each taxpayer shall whether or not a tax be due thereon, make and file a return on or before April $\frac{30}{5}$ of each calendar year. When the return is made for a fiscal year or other period different from the calendar year, the return shall be filed within four months from not later than the 15th day of the fourth month after the end of such fiscal year or period.
- (b) The return shall be filed with the Tax Administrator on a form or forms furnished by or obtainable upon request from such Tax Administrator setting forth:
- (1) A. The aggregate amount of salaries, wages, commissions and other compensation earned:
- B. The gross income from a business, profession or other activity less allowable expenses incurred in the acquisition of such gross income;
- C. Such income shall include only income earned during the year, or portion thereof, covered by the return and subject to the tax imposed by this chapter;
 - (2) A. The amount of tax imposed by this chapter on income reported;
- B. Any credits to which the taxpayer may be entitled under the provisions of Sections 161.06, 161.07 and 161.15 of this chapter; and
- (3) Such other pertinent statements, information returns or other information as the Tax Administrator may require.
- (c) The Tax Administrator may extend the time for filing of the annual return upon the request of the taxpayer for a period of not to exceed six months, or one month beyond any extension requested of or granted by the Internal Revenue Service for the filing of the Federal income tax return. The Tax Administrator may require a tentative return, accompanied by payment of the amount of tax shown to be due thereon, by the date the return is normally due. Interest shall be assessed according to the provisions of Section 161.10 in those cases in which the return is filed and the final tax paid within the period as extended. No penalty shall be assessed in the above cases.
- (d) (1) The taxpayer making a return shall, at the time of the filing thereof, pay to the Tax Administrator the balance of tax due, if any, after deducting:
- A. The amount of the City income tax deducted or withheld at the source pursuant to Section 161.06;
- B. Such portion of the tax as has been paid on declaration by the taxpayer pursuant to Section 161.07;
 - C. Any credit allowable under the provisions of Section 161.15.
- (2) Should the return or the records of the Tax Administrator indicate an overpayment of the tax to which the City is entitled under the provisions of this chapter, such overpayment shall first be applied against any existing liability and the balance, if any, at the election of the taxpayer communicated to the Tax Administrator in writing, shall be refunded or applied against any subsequent liability.
- (e) (1) Where necessary, an amended return must be filed in order to report additional income and pay any additional tax due, or claim a refund of tax over paid, subject to the

requirements and/or limitations contained in Sections 161.11 and 161.15. Such amended returns shall be on a form obtainable on request from the Tax Administrator. A taxpayer may not change the method of accounting or apportionment of net profits after the due date for filing the original return.

(2) Within three months from the final determination of any Federal tax liability affecting the taxpayer's City tax liability, such taxpayer shall make and file an amended City return showing income subject to the City tax based upon such final determination of Federal tax liability, and pay any additional tax shown due thereon or make claim for refund of any overpayment.

161.07 DECLARATION.

- (a) Every person who anticipates any taxable income which is not subject to Section 161.06 hereof, or who engages in any business, profession, enterprise or activity subject to the tax imposed by Section 161.03 hereof shall file a declaration setting forth such estimated income or the estimated profit or loss from such business activity together with the estimated tax due thereon, if any; provided, however, if a person's income is wholly from wages from which the tax will be withheld and remitted to the City in accordance with Section 161.06, such person need not file a declaration.
- (b) (1) Such declaration shall be filed on or before April $\frac{30}{15}$ of each year during the life of this chapter, or within four months of not later than the 15th day of the fourth month after the date the taxpayer becomes subject to tax for the first time.
- (2) Those taxpayers reporting on a fiscal year basis shall file a declaration within four months not later than the 15^{th} day of the fourth month after the beginning of each fiscal year or period.
- (c) (1) Such declaration shall be filed upon a form furnished by, or obtainable from, the Tax Administrator. Credit shall be taken for the City income tax to be withheld, if any, from any portion of such income. In addition, credit may be taken for tax payable to other taxing municipalities or Joint Economic Development Districts in accordance with the provisions of Section 161.15.
- (2) The original declaration (or subsequent amendment thereof) may be increased or decreased on or before any subsequent quarterly payment date as provided for herein.
- (d) The taxpayer making the declaration shall, at the time of the filing thereof, pay to the Tax Administrator at least one-fourth of the estimated annual tax due after deducting:
- (1) Any portion of such tax to be deducted or withheld at the source pursuant to Section 161.06: and
- (2) Any credits allowable under the provisions of Section 161.15. At least a similar amount shall be paid on or before the last day of the sixth seventh, ninth tenth and twelfth thirteenth month after the beginning of the taxpayer's taxable year, provided that in case an amended declaration has been duly filed, or the taxpayer is taxable for a portion of the year only, the unpaid balance shall be paid in equal installments on or before the remaining payment dates.
- (e) On or before the last $\underline{15}$ th day of the fourth month of the year following that for which such declaration or amended declaration was filed, an annual return shall be filed and any balance which may be due the City shall be paid therewith in accordance with the provisions of Section 161.05 hereof.
- 161.09 INVESTIGATIVE POWERS OF TAX ADMINISTRATOR; PENALTY FOR DIVULGING CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION.
- (a) The Tax Administrator, or any authorized employee, is hereby authorized to examine the books, papers, records and Federal income tax returns of any employer or of any taxpayer or person subject to, or whom the Tax Administrator believes is subject to the provisions of this chapter, for the purpose of verifying the accuracy of any return made, or, if no return was made, to ascertain the tax due under this chapter. Every such employer, supposed employer, taxpayer or supposed taxpayer is hereby directed and required to furnish upon written request by the Tax Administrator, or his duly authorized agent or employee, the means, facilities and opportunity for making such examinations and investigations as are hereby authorized.

- (b) The Tax Administrator is hereby authorized to order any person presumed to have knowledge of the facts to appear before him and may examine such person, under oath, concerning any income which was or should have been returned for taxation, or any transaction tending to affect such income, and for this purpose may compel the production of books, papers, records and Federal income tax returns and the attendance of all persons before him, whether as parties or witnesses, whenever he believes such persons have knowledge of such income or information pertinent to such inquiry.
- (c) The refusal to produce books, papers, records and Federal income tax returns, or the refusal to submit to such examination by any employer or person subject or presumed to be subject to the tax or by any officer, agent or employee of a person subject to the tax or required to withhold tax or the failure of any person to comply with the provisions of this section or with an order or subpoena of the Tax Administrator authorized hereby shall be deemed a violation of this chapter, punishable as provided in Section 161.12.
- (d) Any information gained as the result of any returns, investigations, hearings or verifications required or authorized by this chapter shall be confidential, and no person shall disclose such information except for official purposes or as provided in subsection (e) of this ordinance. This section does not prohibit the publication of statistics in a manner which does not disclose information with respect to individual taxpayers.
- (e) The tax administrator may disclose confidential information as described in subsection (d) hereof to the Internal Revenue Service, the State Tax Commissioner or his designee, or officer of a municipal corporation charged with the duty of enforcing a tax provided for by Ohio Revised Code Chapter 718, acting within the scope of the authority of the requesting agency, or in accordance with a proper judicial order.
- (f) Whoever violates this section by improperly disclosing confidential information is guilty of a misdemeanor of the first degree. In addition, any employee of the City of Cuyahoga Falls who violates the provisions of this section relating to the disclosure of confidential information is subject to dismissal.
- (g) Every taxpayer shall retain all records necessary to compute his tax liability for a period of five six years from the date his return is filed or the withholding taxes are paid.

161.11 COLLECTION OF UNPAID TAXES AND REFUNDS OF OVERPAYMENTS.

- (a) All taxes imposed by this chapter shall be collectible, together with any interest and penalties thereon, by suit, as other debts of like amount are recoverable. Except in the case of fraud, omission of a substantial portion of income subject to this tax or failure to file a return, an additional assessment shall not be made after three years from the time the return was due or filed, whichever is later, provided, however, in those cases in which a Commissioner of Internal Revenue and the taxpayer have executed a waiver of the Federal statute of limitation, the period within which an additional assessment may be made by the Tax Administrator shall be one year from the time of the final determination of the Federal tax liability.
- (b) Taxes erroneously paid shall not be refunded unless a claim for refund is made within three years from the date on which such payment was made or the return was due, or within three months after final determination of the Federal tax liability, whichever is later.
 - (c) Amounts of less than one dollar (\$1.00) shall not be collected or refunded.

161.13 BOARD OF REVIEW.

(a) A Board of Review, consisting of five members, one of which is to be Chairman, with each individual to be appointed by the Mayor, with the consent of Council, three individuals to serve for initial terms of one year and two individuals to serve for two years, respectively, and thereafter two-year terms for all members. These public members shall not all be adherents to the same political party; they may be paid such per diem compensation as Council shall fix. A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum. The Board shall adopt its own procedural rules and shall keep a record of its transactions. Any hearing by the Board may be conducted privately and the provisions of Section 161.09 hereof with reference to the confidential character of information required to be disclosed by this chapter shall apply to such matters as may be heard before the Board on appeal.

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- (b) All rules and regulations and amendments or changes thereto, which are adopted by the Tax Administrator under the authority conferred by this chapter, must be approved by the Board of Review before the same becomes effective. The Board shall hear and pass on appeals from any ruling or decision of the Tax Administrator, and, at the request of the taxpayer or Tax Administrator, is empowered to substitute alternate methods of allocation.
- (c) Any person dissatisfied with any ruling or decision of the Tax Administrator which is made under the authority conferred by this chapter may appeal therefrom to the Board of Review within thirty days from the announcement after service of such ruling or decision by the Tax Administrator, and the Board shall, on hearing, have jurisdiction to affirm, reverse or modify any such ruling or decision, or any part thereof.
- Section 2. Existing Sections 161.05 and 161.07, of the Codified Ordinances, as amended by Ord. No. 151-1990, passed September 24, 1990, are hereby repealed. Existing Section 161.09 of the Codified Ordinances, as amended by Ord. No. 130-1993, passed November 23, 1993, is hereby repealed. Existing Sections 161.11, and 161.13 of the Codified Ordinances, as enacted by Ord. No. 113-1966, passed October 24, 1966, are hereby repealed.
- <u>Section 3.</u> Any ordinances or resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, but any ordinances and resolutions not inconsistent herewith and which have not previously been repealed are hereby ratified and confirmed.
- <u>Section 4.</u> It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all requirements including Chapter 107 of the Codified Ordinances.
- <u>Section 5.</u> This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in force at the earliest period allowed by law.

Passed:	President of Council	
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CITY OF CUYAHOGA FALLS, OHIO

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 771.01, 771.02, 771.03, 771.04. AND 771.05 OF PART SEVEN OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES, RELATING TO ALARM SYSTEMS AND FALSE ALARMS, AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the City of Cuyahoga Falls, County of Summit, and State of Ohio, that:

Section 1. Sections 771.01, 771.02, 771.03, 771.04, and 771.05 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Cuyahoga Falls are hereby amended to read in full as follows (new text underlined; deleted text in strikethrough):

771.01 DEFINITIONS.

As used in this chapter:

- (a) "Alarm Administrator" means the Chief of Police or his designated agent.
- (b) "Alarm Monitoring Business" means any individual, partnership, corporation or other entity engaged in the business of monitoring alarm systems and summoning safety forces in response to activation of an alarm system or otherwise.
- "Alarm notification" means any notification from any person, including an Alarm Monitoring Business, intended to summon, or that would reasonably be expected to summon or result in the summoning of, police or fire service of the City, which notification is the result of the activation or operation of an alarm system.
- "Alarm system" means any device, means or system that upon activation emits, transmits or relays an audible, visual or electronic signal intended to be used to summon, or that would reasonably be expected to summon or result in the summoning of, police or fire service of the City. "Alarm system" does not include:
- (1) Aan alarm installed on a vehicle unless the vehicle is permanently located at a site<u>.</u>; nor
- (2) An alarm designed to alert only persons located inside a building or structure located on the premises of the alarm.
- "Alarm user" means a person, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, or organization of any kind in control of a building, structure, facility, or any portion thereof, where an operational alarm system is located.
- (e) "Direct connect alarm system" means any alarm system that is directly connected in any physical or technological manner whatsoever with any facility owned or operated by the City and which emits a direct signal to the City owned facility.
- (f) "False alarm" means an activated alarm notification to which police and/or fire personnel respond and find no evidence of fire, smoke, burglary, vandalism, unauthorized intrusion, medical emergency, or any other valid reason for the request for police and/or fire services.

771.02 ALARM SYSTEM REGISTRATION LICENSE; FEES.

- (a) No person alarm user shall install, have installed, or operate maintain any operational alarm system of any type on other than one serving a residential dwelling unit, upon any premises in the City, property without an alarm license being first granted by the City to the alarm user registering the alarm system with the Alarm Administrator in accordance with this Chapter. If a single alarm system serves more than one premises and emits a distinct signal for each premises served, a separate license must be purchased for each premises served by the alarm system. A separate registration shall be required for each premises served by an alarm system.
- (b) Any person desiring the issuance or transfer of a license as required by this chapter shall file with the Alarm Administrator a written application, Registration of an alarm system shall be made on a form to be provided to the Alarm Administrator, correctly containing and/or having attached the following information:
 - (1) The full name, street address and mailing address of the applicant alarm user;

(2) The common name and street address of the alarm premises <u>where the alarm</u> <u>system is installed;</u>

- (3) The name and <u>contact information of any Alarm Monitoring Business engaged to monitor the alarm system</u> address of the person installing, maintaining and/or owning the alarm system;
- (4) A description of the system's operation, and, in the case of a direct connect alarm system, a floor plan of the premises served by the alarm system on paper or in electronic format acceptable to the Alarm Administrator;
- (5) The names and addresses of contact information of any persons the alarm user wishes to be contacted in case of an alarm and/or a malfunction;
- (6) Any additional, relevant information specifically requested by the Alarm Administrator.

The application form provided to the applicant shall be accompanied by a copy of this chapter.

- (c) Each initial registration of an alarm system shall be accompanied by Concurrent with the filing of the application provided for in paragraph (b) above, the applicant shall pay a one-time fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00). It shall be the duty of the alarm user to amend the registration to reflect any change of information provided in the initial registration. No fee shall be charged for such amendment, except that a change in the identity of the alarm user shall be deemed a new initial registration.
- (d) Upon compliance with the foregoing, and upon approval of the Alarm Administrator, the alarm license shall forthwith be issued to the applicant by the Department of Records and Personnel.
- (e) The alarm user of a direct connect alarm system shall pay a monthly monitoring fee of forty dollars (\$40.00) to the City of Cuyahoga Falls. Said monthly fee shall be due the first day of each calendar month during which the license is in effect, the first monthly payment being due the first day of the calendar month following the issuance of the license. The failure to promptly pay the monthly monitoring fee shall constitute just cause for the revocation and/or non renewal of the license.
- (d)(f) <u>Licenses issued Registrations recorded</u> pursuant to the provisions of this chapter shall remain in effect until canceled by the alarm user or revoked by the City, but only upon a new registration by a new alarm user or satisfactory evidence that there is no operational alarm system at the premises. provided, however, that licenses for direct connect alarm systems shall be subject to annual renewal and shall run from January 1 through December 31 unless otherwise canceled or revoked. Users of direct connect alarm systems shall, upon license renewal, pay a license renewal fee of fifty dollars (\$50.00).
- (e) Each Alarm Monitoring Business operating within the City shall provide a copy of this Chapter to new customers located in the City.

771.03 LICENSE REVOCATION; FALSE ALARMS; CIVIL PENALTY.

- (a) A license may be revoked or renewal of same denied if information of a false or fictitious nature is found, as offered by the applicant, or for good cause shown. It shall be the duty and responsibility of each alarm user to ensure that false alarms do not occur. Each false alarm shall be deemed a violation of this subsection.
- (b) A licensee may be subject to warnings or fees depending on the number of false alarms—emitted from an alarm system over a twelve month period based upon the following schedule:

NUMBER OF FALSE ALARMS

1 2 Warning letter sent by regular U.S. mail.

3 or more

An administrative fee of \$50.00 for each false alarm.

Each violation of subsection (a) of this Section shall be deemed a noncriminal infraction for which a civil penalty of fifty dollars (\$50) shall be assessed against the alarm user. However,

<u>a civil penalty</u> Any administrative action—may be waived by the Aelarm Aedministrator upon satisfactory showing by the licensee alarm user that the alarm notification was not a false alarm. If the alarm administrator determines that the alarm notification was not a false alarm, such alarm notification shall not be counted as a false alarm for the purpose of enhancing any future false alarm administrative action.

(c) Notice of any action taken liability for a civil penalty assessed pursuant to this section, with the exception of a warning letter, shall be personally served or sent by eertified first-class mail to the licensee's last known alarm user's address as shown on the alarm system registration. If the certified mail notice is returned unclaimed or refused, notice shall be sent by regular U.S. mail. Payment of any fee A civil penalty assessed under this section must be paid within ten thirty (30) days of the sending of the notice. Failure to timely pay any assessed fee or file an appeal shall be considered cause for the revocation or non renewal of the license. Any amount not paid may be referred to the Law Department for collection as in a civil action. Civil penalties that have not been timely paid will accrue interest at the rate of 1.5% per month from the due date to the date of payment in full. Unpaid civil penalties and interest shall be deemed debts owed to the City, and may be collected by initiation of a civil action or any other lawful debt collection procedure.

 (d) Upon revocation of, termination of, or denial of license renewal, the alarm user of a direct connect alarm system shall forthwith arrange for the removal of all equipment connecting that system to the City owned facility. If removal is not completed within thirty days, the Alarm Administrator is authorized to cause the removal of such equipment. Notice of the cost of such removal shall be sent by regular U.S. mail to the alarm user who shall, within ten days of sending of the notice, pay the cost of removal of the equipment. Any amount not paid may be referred to the Law Department for collection as in a civil action.

(e) Application for reinstatement of any license which has been revoked or denied renewal pursuant to this section shall be considered by the issuing authority upon compliance with Section 771.02 (b) and payment of any amounts owed under the provisions of this chapter. Upon approval of any application for reinstatement, the applicant shall pay a reinstatement fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00).

(f) The imposition of any given administrative action provided by this section shall not be a prerequisite for the imposition of any subsequent or enhanced degree of administrative action.

771.04 APPEALS.

Any person denied the issuance of an alarm license, or any alarm user whose license has been revoked or renewal of same has been denied, or any alarm user who has been charged an administrative fee assessed a civil penalty for a false alarm an alarm notification may, within ten days of such action, appeal to City Council by filing with the Clerk of Council a signed written statement briefly setting forth his grounds for appeal. The Clerk of Council shall schedule a public hearing and notify the appellant by regular U.S. mail. The appellant may appear before City Council in person, or by his attorney. The decision of City Council may be appealed to Common Pleas Court in the manner provided for by the Ohio Revised Code.

771.05 POLICE LIABILITY; RECORDED MESSAGES.

 (a) The acceptance of any alarm system by the Chief of Police as provided herein shall in no manner place upon the Police Department, or the City, any additional liabilities other than those incurred by statute with the police function.

 — (b) No person shall install, cause to be installed or permit to be installed, any alarm device, by whatever name known, which automatically selects a telephone line for the purpose of playing a recorded message to report any emergency, on any telephone dedicated to the Police Department for voice communications.

Section 2. Any alarm license issued under Chapter 771 of the Codified Ordinances prior to the effective date of this Ordinance and which is valid as of the effective date of this Ordinance shall be deemed a valid alarm system registration on and after the effective date of this Ordinance, without any further action on the part of the alarm user. However, each alarm user

187 shall be under the duty set forth in Section 771.02(c) to provide updated and accurate information to the Alarm Administrator as necessary to maintain compliance with Chapter 771. 188 189 190 Existing Sections 771.01, 771.02, 771.03, and 771.04 of the Codified 191 Ordinances, as amended by Ord. No. 94-1994, passed July 11, 1994, are hereby repealed. 192 Existing Section 771.05, of the Codified Ordinances, as enacted by Ord. No. 229-1976, passed 193 November 22, 1976, is hereby repealed. 194 195 Any ordinances or resolutions or portions of ordinances and resolutions 196 inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed, but any ordinances and resolutions not inconsistent 197 herewith and which have not previously been repealed are hereby ratified and confirmed. 198 199 It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning 200 and relating to the passage of this ordinance were taken in an open meeting of this Council and 201 that all deliberations of this Council and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions 202 were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Chapter 203 107 of the Codified Ordinances. 204 205 This ordinance is hereby declared to be an emergency measure necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health, safety, convenience and welfare of the City of 206 207 Cuyahoga Falls and the inhabitants thereof, and provided it receives the affirmative vote of twothirds of the members elected or appointed to Council, it shall take effect and be in force 208 209 immediately upon its passage and approval by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect and be in 210 force at the earliest period allowed by law. 211 212 213 214 Passed:_____ 215 President of Council 216 217 218 Clerk of Council 219 220

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