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AN ORDINANCE

Amending Section 9-11-8-1 of the City Code of the City of Evanston, to Modify False Alarm Service Charges, and Amending 9-11-9-3(B) of the City Code of the City of Evanston, to Modify the Fee Schedule for Inspection of Alarm Systems

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EVANSTON, COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS:

SECTION 1: That Section 9-11-8-1 of the City Code of the City of Evanston of 1979, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

9-11-8.1: FALSE ALARM SERVICE CHARGES: When the City's communication center is notified of a system alarm either by direct tie-in or via telephone that is determined to be a false alarm, the following service charges shall be assessed to the alarm user:

1 to 4	False fire-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$ 0.00/Per Alarm
5 to 25	False fire-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$ 100.00/Per Alarm
26 to 75	False fire-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$ 500.00/Per Alarm
76 or more	False fire-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$1,000.00/Per Alarm
1 to 4	False police-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$ 0.00/Per Alarm
5 to 25	False police-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$ 100.00/Per Alarm
26 to 75	False police-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$ 500.00/Per Alarm
76 or more	False police-related alarms in a calendar year.....	\$1,000.00/Per Alarm

After the alarm administrator has recorded four (4) fire-related or four (4) police-related alarm occurrences within a calendar year for a given alarm user, the alarm administrator shall notify the alarm user, in writing, by first class mail or hand delivery that additional alarm occurrences will result in the imposition of service charges in accordance with the above fee schedule. Failure to receive such notification does not waive or nullify any service charges.

Any false alarm after the fourth occurrence each of a police-related or fire-related false alarm shall be charged at a rate of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per occurrence up to the twenty-fifth occurrence.

Any false alarm after the twenty-fifth occurrence each of a police-related or fire-related false alarm shall be charged at a rate of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) per occurrence up to the seventy-fifth occurrence.

Any false alarm after the seventy-fifth occurrence each of a police-related or fire-related false alarm shall be charged at a rate of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) per occurrence.

Such charges will be invoiced periodically as determined by the alarm administrator.

The charges for excessive false alarms shall be paid to the City Collector within sixty (60) days from the date of invoice. In the event the false alarm service charges are not paid within a sixty (60) day period from the date of invoice, the service charges shall increase by fifty percent (50%) per alarm occurrence invoiced.

**SECTION 2:** That Section 9-11-9-3 (B) of the City Code of the City of Evanston of 1979, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**9-11-9.3: NEWLY INSTALLED SYSTEMS:**

(B) Fees: The following fees shall be charged to the general contractor or the contractor installing the system, whichever is appropriate:

Initial Inspection/Witnessing of System Test.....	\$ 0.00
First reinspection.....	\$ 0.00
Second reinspection.....	\$ 250.00
Third and subsequent reinspections.....	\$ 500.00

If a test is scheduled and the system was not pre-tested or sufficient resources were not available to test/inspect the system at the time requested, a fee of \$250.00 shall apply regardless of the number of inspections required to approve the system.

**SECTION 3:** That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4:** That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.

Introduced: January 24, 2000

Adopted: February 28, 2000

Approved: March 2, 2000

Lorraine H. Norton  
Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary D. Morris  
City Clerk

Approved as to form:

[Signature]  
Corporation Counsel

