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AN ORDINANCE

Amending Various Sections of Chapter 11 of Title 9 of the Evanston City Code Regulating False Alarm Systems

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 Evanston City Code, 1979, as amended, is further amended by deleting that Section in its entirety and substituting in lieu thereof, the following section

9-11-8: FALSE ALARM SERVICE CHARGES AND WAIVERS

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 other means that is determined to be a false alarm, the following service charges shall be assessed to the alarm user:

False Fire-Related Alarms in a Calendar Year

0 to 3.....	\$ 0.00/per alarm
4 to 10.....	\$ 110.00/per alarm
11 to 24.....	\$ 330.00/per alarm
25+.....	\$ 550.00/per alarm

False Police-Related Alarms in a Calendar Year

0 to 3.....	\$ 0.00/per alarm
4 to 10.....	\$ 110.00/per alarm
11 to 24.....	\$ 330.00/per alarm
25+.....	\$ 550.00/per alarm

After the alarm administrator has recorded three (3) fire-related or three (3) 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 third occurrence each of a police-related or fire-related false alarm shall be charged at a rate of one hundred and ten dollars (\$110.00) per occurrence up to the tenth occurrence.

Any false alarm after the tenth occurrence each of a police-related or fire-related false alarm shall be charged at a rate of three hundred and thirty dollars (\$330.00) per occurrence up to the twenty-fourth 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 and fifty dollars (\$550.00) 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 all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: The findings and recitals contained herein are declared to be prima facie evidence of the law of the City and shall be received in evidence as provided by the Illinois Compiled Statutes and the courts of the State of Illinois.

SECTION 4: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effective as of February 1, 2012, and after its passage, approval, and publication in the manner provided by law.

Introduced: December 12, 2011

Approved:

Adopted: January 9, 2012

January 11, 2012

Elizabeth B. Tisdahl
Elizabeth B. Tisdahl, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

Rodney Greene
Rodney Greene, City Clerk

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