

ORDINANCE NO.: 2020-10

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 7, CHAPTER 1, SIGNAL MOUNTAIN MUNICIPAL CODE, SECTIONS 7-101, 7-102 7-103, RELATIVE TO THE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, 2018 EDITION, AS THE OFFICIAL FIRE CODE OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN; AND AS APPENDICES TO CODE ADOPTED.

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SIGNAL MOUNTAIN, TENNESSEE, That Title 7, Chapter 1, Section 7-101, of the Town of Signal Mountain Municipal Code, be and is hereby amended as follows:

Section 7-101. Fire Code adopted – International Fire Code, 2018 Edition.

The International Fire Code, 2018 Edition, and all referenced publications therein at Chapter 80, as amended, (published by the International Code Council), including the 2012 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 101 Life Safety Code in its entirety for any state building, educational occupancies, and any other occupancy requiring an inspection by the State Fire Marshall, one (1) copy of which is and has been on file in the office of the Town Recorder for more than fifteen (15) days, is hereby adopted as the official Fire Code of the Town of Signal Mountain.

SECTION 2. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Title 7, Chapter 1, of the Town of Signal Mountain Municipal Code, Section 7-102 and 7-103, be and are hereby amended as follows:

Section 7-102. Appendices to Code adopted.

The following appendices to the International Fire Code, 2018 Edition, are hereby adopted as part of the official Fire Codes of the Town:

- Appendix B - Fire Flow Requirements for Buildings
- Appendix C - Fire Hydrant Locations and Distribution
- Appendix D – Fire Apparatus, as amended
- Appendix E - Hazard Categories Appendix
- Appendix G - Cryogenic Fluids--Weight and Volume Equivalent
- Appendix H - Hazardous Materials Management Plan (HMMP) and Hazardous Materials Inventory Statement (HMIS) Instructions
- Appendix I – Fire Protection Systems—Noncompliant Conditions
- Appendix K – Construction Requirements for Existing Ambulatory Care Facilities

Section 7-103. Amendments to Code adopted.

The following sections and chapters of the International Fire Code, 2018 Edition,

are hereby amended as hereunder provided:

(1) Any appeal of the decision of the fire marshal concerning application of the provisions of the International Fire Code shall be heard by the construction board of adjustment and appeals pursuant to § 12-605 of the Signal Mountain Town Code.

(2) The fire code adopted in § 7-101 is hereby modified by requiring automatic sprinkler systems in future commercial, industrial occupancies having a gross floor area of five thousand (5,000) square feet or greater and requiring an automatic sprinkler system in Hazards Production Material (HPM) facilities as defined by the adopted building code. All automatic sprinkler systems shall be designed by a licensed engineer or architect and shall conform to NFPA 13 requirements and to the building code sprinkler requirements. The sprinkler requirements shall be made a part of the plans and specifications submitted for approval and shall be installed by a State of Tennessee licensed automatic sprinkler system contractor.

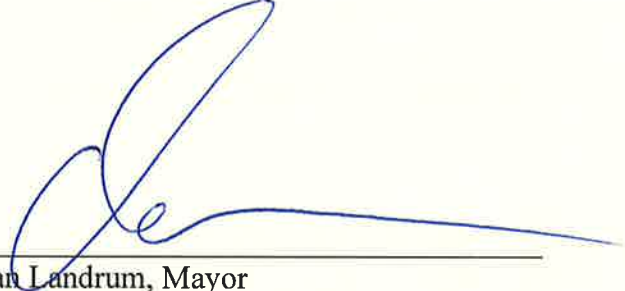
(3) The Town of Signal Mountain will not require sprinklers in one- and two-family residences. Sprinklers will be required in three (3) unit townhouses with five thousand (5,000) gross square feet or more and townhouses built with four (4) or more units regardless of square footage.

(4) Appendix D, sections D106 and D107 are deleted in their entirety and the following new section D106 is substituted in lieu thereof:
D106 - Developments requiring more than one access road. All residential or multiple-family residential developments shall be provided with at least two (2) separate and approved fire access roads whenever any development project has more than 200 dwelling units, regardless of whether the dwelling units are equipped with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

SECTION 3. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage, but the designated Fire Inspector shall have discretion to accept drawings and designs based upon the 2009 NFPA Fire Prevention Code and 2009 NFPA 101 Life Safety Code and the amendments to that Code adopted by the Town Council upon a showing of significant financial effect on existing projects up to and including November 1, 2020.

Passed First Reading: August 24, 2020

Passed Second Reading: September 14, 2020



Dan Landrum, Mayor



Recorder