

**ORDINANCE NO. 3716**

AN ORDINANCE  
To Be Entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY CODE, CHAPTER 40 FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION, ARTICLE I. IN GENERAL; SECTION 40-4 FEE SCHEDULE FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT PERMITS; FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU - APPLICABLE FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION, REMODELING OR ALTERATIONS, SUBSECTION (f) SPECIAL INSPECTIONS; SUBSECTION (h) FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS; SUBSECTION (l) PRE-ENGINEERED FIRE SUPPRESSION SYSTEMS, EXCLUDING TOTAL FLOOD SYSTEMS; SUBSECTION (n) FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS; SUBSECTION (o) MONITORING PERMIT ONLY; SUBSECTION (q) PYROTECHNICS, INDOOR; SUBSECTION (r) PYROTECHNICS, OUTDOOR; SUBSECTION (hh)(3) BUILDING PERMIT PLAN REVIEW FEE; AND CREATING SUBSECTION (oo) TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY INSPECTIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT MYERS, FLORIDA,** that:

**SECTION 1.** The City Code of the City of Fort Myers, Florida, Chapter 40 Fire Prevention and Protection, Article I. In General, Section 40-4 Fee schedule for fire department permits; fire prevention bureau - applicable for new construction, remodeling or alterations, subsection (f) Special inspections; subsection (h) Fire sprinkler systems; subsection (l) Pre-engineered fire suppression systems, excluding total flood systems; subsection (n) Fire alarm systems; subsection (o) Monitoring permit only; subsection (q) Pyrotechnics, indoor; subsection (r) Pyrotechnics, outdoor; subsection (hh)(3) Building permit plan review fee; and creating subsection (oo) Temporary certificate of occupancy inspections is hereby amended to read as follows:

**Sec. 40-4. Fee schedule for fire department permits;  
fire prevention bureau - applicable for new  
construction, remodeling or alterations.**

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(f) *Special inspections and expedited plan reviews.*

Special inspections performed outside normal working hours, as approved by the fire marshal or designee, when requested by the permit holder, shall be billed at a minimum fee of \$135.00 for the first two hours, portal-to-portal, and \$60.00 for each hour thereafter, with a minimum fee of \$135.00, which must be paid in advance to the fire prevention bureau. Request for expedited plan reviews, which are conducted outside of normal business hours, as approved by the fire marshal or designee, shall be billed at a minimum fee of \$120.00 for the first two hours, and \$60.00 for each hour thereafter, with a minimum fee of \$120.00, which must be paid in advance to the fire prevention bureau. Expedited plan review fees are paid in addition to permit and plan review fees.

(h) *Fire sprinkler systems.* The permit fee for each new

fire sprinkler system or addition to an existing fire sprinkler system shall be \$50.00, plus \$50.00 for each new riser or addition to each existing riser and \$3.00 per new head ~~rounded up to the nearest dollar,~~ with a minimum of \$25.00. The permit fee for remodeling without additions shall be \$50.00, plus \$3.00 per relocated head, with a minimum of \$25.00. Revisions to permits issued by the fire prevention bureau shall be subject to a revision fee of \$30.00 plus charges for any additional heads or linear footage. Letter permits are available for a fee of

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\$50.00 for alterations and additions to fire sprinkler systems consisting of six (6) or less heads.

- (l) *Pre-engineered fire suppression systems, excluding total flood systems.* The permit fee for new installations or alterations to existing systems shall be \$50.00, plus \$20.00 per new bottle of suppression agent, plus \$15.00 per suppression nozzle altered. This includes, but is not limited to, hood systems, spray booths and mixing rooms.
- (n) *Fire alarm systems.* The permit fee for new zoned systems shall be \$50.00, plus \$25.00 per indicating and initiating zone. The permit fee for intelligent systems shall be \$50.00, plus \$3.00 per indicating or initiating device, with a \$25.00 minimum. Revisions to permits issued by the fire prevention bureau shall be subject to a revision fee of \$30.00 plus charges for any additional devices. Letter permits are available for a fee of \$50.00 for emergency panel replacements (without any system or device upgrades); tie in of duct detectors or suppression systems to a buildings fire alarm system.
- (o) *Monitoring permit only.* The fee for a monitoring permit shall be \$40.00 for land lines only. Cellular, antenna, or similar shall be \$40.00 for monitoring. \$50.00 submittal, plus \$3.00 per device, with a \$25.00 minimum.
- (q) *Pyrotechnics, indoor.* The permit fee for indoor pyrotechnics shall be \$150.00, plus special inspection fees in accordance with section 40-4 (f).

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- (r) *Pyrotechnics, outdoor.* The permit fee for outdoor pyrotechnics shall be \$150.00, plus special inspection fees in accordance with section 40-4 (f).
- (hh) *Building permit plan review fee.*
  - (3) Prior to permit issuance, the plan review fee for resubmits shall be subject to a \$40.00 fire plan review fee. There will be no charge for the first resubmit during the plan review process.
- (oo) *Temporary certificate of occupancy inspections.*  
Requests for a temporary certificate of occupancy (TCO) shall be a fee of \$50.00, per request.

**SECTION 2. Severability.** If for any reason any provision, paragraph, word, section or article of this ordinance is invalidated by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining provisions, paragraphs, words, sections, and chapters shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect.

**SECTION 3.** This ordinance shall become effective immediately upon passage.

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**PASSED IN PUBLIC SESSION** of the City Council of the City of Fort Myers, Florida, this 25th day of September, A.D., 2014.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>/s/ Teresa Watkins Brown</u>
<u>Aye</u>	<u>/s/ Johnny W. Streets, Jr.</u>
<u>Aye</u>	<u>/s/ Christine Matthews</u>
<u>Aye</u>	<u>/s/ Michael Flanders</u>
<u>Aye</u>	<u>/s/ Forrest Banks</u>
<u>Aye</u>	<u>/s/ Thomas C. Leonardo</u> Council Members

**APPROVED** this 25th day of September, A.D., 2014, at 7:43 o'clock p.m.

<u>Aye</u>	<u>/s/ Randall P. Henderson, Jr.</u> Mayor
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**FILED** in the Office of the City Clerk this 25th day of September, A.D., 2014.

<u>/s/ Marie Adams, MMC</u> City Clerk
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