ORDINANCE 26 - 23

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CAPE CORAL CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 8, "FIRE PREVENTION AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT," ARTICLE II, "FIRE PREVENTION CODE," SECTION 8-10, "CITY OF CAPE CORAL FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION CODE ADOPTED; AMENDMENTS TO FIRE CODES," REGARDING ELEVATOR SAFETY, EMERGENCY TWO-WAY COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS, AND RADIO COVERAGE FOR CRITICAL AREAS; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council hereby finds that this ordinance is in the best interest of the public health, safety, and welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF CAPE CORAL, FLORIDA, HEREBY ORDAINS THIS ORDINANCE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City of Cape Coral Code of Ordinances, Chapter 8, Article II, Section 8-10, "City of Cape Coral Fire Prevention and Protection Code Adopted; Amendments to Fire Codes," is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 8-10 City of Cape Coral Fire Prevention and Protection Code adopted; amendments to Fire Codes.

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(b) Amendments to Fire Codes. The Florida Fire Prevention Code, 7th Edition", based on NFPA 1 and NFPA 101 2018 Edition, and as amended from time to time, and as permitted by the Florida Fire Prevention Code, NFPA 1 is hereby amended by local amendment as follows:

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- (11) Chapter 11, Building Services, Section 11.3, Elevators, Escalators, and Conveyors, Subsection 11.3.1, Fire Fighters' Emergency Operations, is hereby amended by creating Sub-subsections 11.3.1.3 and 11.3.1.4 as follows:
 - 11.3.1.3 All elevators in the City shall be maintained in compliance with the Florida Elevator Safety Act (Chapter 399, Florida Statutes); Chapter 61C-5, Florida Administrative Code; the Florida Building Code; the Florida Fire Prevention Code; ASME A17.1.; and all other applicable laws and regulations. In addition, all new and existing elevator cars shall be equipped at all times with an emergency two-way communication system, in good working order, that allows back and forth conversation between elevator occupants and authorized personnel who can take appropriate action. Elevator owners shall contract with, or make arrangements with, an alarm monitoring company or other entity or individual who can monitor such two-way communication system at all times, and who can contact the Cape Coral Fire Department when emergency assistance is required in order to identify the elevator location.
- (12) Chapter 11, Building Services, Section 11.10, Two-Way Radio Communication Enhancement Systems, is hereby amended by creating Subsection 11.10.4 as follows:
 - 11.10.4 Critical Areas associated with elevators constructed after May 1, 2023, shall be maintained at all times with a minimum radio signal strength of 99 percent floor area coverage. These Critical Areas include the fire command center(s), the fire pump room(s), exit stairs, exit passageways, elevator lobbies, elevator cars, standpipe cabinets, and any location that contains a sprinkler sectional valve. Minimum radio signal strength shall be maintained at a level consistent with NFPA 72.
- (1113) Chapter 13, Fire Protection Systems, Section 13.2, Standpipe Systems, Subsection 13.2.1, General, Sub-subsections 13.2.1.1 and 13.2.1.2 are hereby created to read as follows:

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(1214) Chapter 13, Fire Protection Systems, Section 13.3, Automatic Sprinklers, Subsection 13.3.1, General, Sub-subsection 13.3.1.1 is hereby amended by creating 13.3.1.1.1 as follows:

- (1315) Chapter 13, Fire Protection Systems, Section 13.4, Fire Pumps, Subsection 13.4.2, Equipment Protection, 13.4.2.1, General Requirements, is hereby amended by creating 13.4.2.1.1.1.1 as follows:
- (4416) Chapter 18, Fire Department Access and Water Supply, Section 18.2 Fire Department Access, Subsection 18.2.1, is hereby amended to read as follows:
- (4517) Chapter 18, Fire Department Access and Water Supply, Section 18.2, Fire Department Access, Subsection 18.2.2, Access to Structures or Areas, and sub-subsection 18.2.2.2, Access to Gated Subdivisions or Developments are hereby amended by creating Subsubsections 18.2.2.2.1, 18.2.2.2.2, 18.2.2.2.3, 18.2.2.2.4, and 18.2.2.2.5.
- (4618) Chapter 18, Fire Department Access and Water Supply, Section 18.3, Water Supplies and Fire Hydrants, Subsection 18.3.1 is hereby amended by creating Sub-subsections 18.3.1.1.1, 18.3.1.1.2, 18.3.1.1.3, 18.3.1.2, and 18.3.1.3, as follows:
- (4719) Chapter 18, Fire Hydrants, Section 18.5, Marking of Hydrants is hereby amended by creating Sub-subsections 18.5.10.1.1 and 18.5.10.1.2, as follows:

SECTION 2. Severability. In the event that any portion or Section of this ordinance is determined to be invalid, illegal or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall in no manner affect the remaining portions or Sections of this ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective immediately after its adoption by the Cape Coral City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAPE CORAL AT ITS REGULAR SESSION

THIS 5th DAY OF april

VOTE OF MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBERS:

ATTESTED TO AND FILED IN MY OFFICE THIS

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