

ORDINANCE NO. 209

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 193 CITY OF BETHEL HEIGHTS MUNICIPAL CODE, TITLE 11, BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION ADDING SPRINKLER REQUIREMENTS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

WHEREAS, The City Council of Bethel Heights, Arkansas has determined that it is the best interest of the citizens of the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas to adopt standards for sprinkler requirements for structures as listed below.

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Bethel Heights, Arkansas:

Section 1. Amending Ordinance No. 106 Section Three, adding Section D and amending City of Bethel Heights Municipal Code, Section 11.16, and hereby does hereby adopt the following requirements for sprinklers.

Section 2. Adding Section D. Sprinklers.

- a. In addition to the requirements of all other ordinances, all structures, including new construction and additions to existing structures that exceed 40 feet in height above mean grade or 12,000 sq. ft. in area, being calculated as the total area on all occupiable floors, shall be sprinkled in accordance with the NFPA-13 unless granted a variance by the board of adjustments.
- b. The fire chief shall be authorized to enforce this section and monitor all buildings and construction sites for compliance.
- c. If or when a violation of this section occurs, it shall be considered a misdemeanor, and every day on which a violation occurs it shall be considered a separate offence subject to a maximum fine of \$250.00 per violation.

Section 3. Emergency Clause:

THEREFORE, That the need for this Ordinance is immediate and in order to protect the public peace, health, safety, and welfare, an emergency is hereby declared to exist, and this Ordinance shall become effective upon its passage and approval.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 20th day of December, 2005.

APPROVED: _____

Mayor

ATTEST: _____

Recorder/Treasurer

