

COMMON COUNCIL  
OF THE  
CITY OF MEQUON

ORDINANCE 2020-1577

An Ordinance Amending Chapter 30 of the Mequon Municipal Code, Related to the Timing and Frequency of Fire Inspections and the Installation of Fire Suppression Systems Within the City

**RECITALS**

A. Chapter 30 of the Mequon Municipal Code was previously adopted by the Council to establish certain fire prevention standards within the City of Mequon.

B. The Wisconsin Administrative Code authorizes local governments to adopt an ordinance to authorize some flexibility with respect to the timing of fire inspections on certain structures.

C. The Fire Chief recommends adopting a local ordinance pursuant to that Administrative Code provision.

D. In 2013 Wis. Act 270, the Wisconsin Legislature adopted the uniform commercial building code which, among other things, limited the authority of local governments to impose certain requirements on fire suppression sprinkler systems.

E. In compliance with Act 270, the Fire Chief submitted a copy of Sec. 30-57 of the Municipal Code to the Wisconsin Department of Administration to review, in order to provide for a continuance of provisions within that section.

F. Following that review, certain provisions of the Mequon Municipal Code may no longer be enforced.

G. Establishing regulations related to the fire prevention furthers the protection of the health, safety and welfare of the community.

BASED UPON THE FOREGOING RECITALS, THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MEQUON, OZAUKEE COUNTY, STATE OF WISCONSIN, DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION I**

Section 30-25(f) of the Mequon Municipal Code is created to read as follows:

(f) Pursuant to Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 314.01(13)(b)7, the fire inspector shall complete an inspection of all public buildings and places of employment at least once per calendar year, provided that the interval between those inspections

does not exceed 15 months.

## **SECTION II**

Section 30-57 is repealed except for sections (a)-(c), (e)(1)i, (e)(4)a, (f), and (g).

## **SECTION III**

The terms and provisions of this ordinance are severable. Should any term or provision of this ordinance be found to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining terms and provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

## **SECTION IV**

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in contravention to this ordinance are hereby repealed.

## **SECTION V**

This ordinance shall be in full force and effect upon its passage and on the day after its publication.

Approved by: John Wirth, Mayor

Date Approved: August 12, 2020

I certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the Common Council of the City of Mequon, Wisconsin, at a meeting held on August 12, 2020.

Caroline Fochs, City Clerk

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