

ORDINANCE NO. 712

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE PROVIDING FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE

BE IT ORDAINED and enacted by the Borough of Monroeville, in Council assembled, as follows:

Section 1. PURPOSE OF ORDINANCE. It is the intent, purpose, and scope of this Ordinance to provide for the administration and enforcement of the Fire Prevention Code of the Borough of Monroeville adopted by Ordinance No. 685 of the Borough of Monroeville by establishing fees, a fire safety advisory committee, providing for inspections and penalties for violations.

Section 2. DEFINITIONS. As used in this Ordinance, the following words shall have the meaning set forth below:

- a. "Borough" shall mean the Borough of Monroeville.
- b. "Fire Code" shall mean the BOCA Fire Prevention Code, Second Edition, 1970, as published by the Building Officials Conference of America, Inc., as adopted by the Council of the Borough of Monroeville by Ordinance No. 685.
- c. "Building Code" shall mean the BOCA Basic Building Code, Fifth Edition, 1970, as adopted by the Council of the Borough of Monroeville by Ordinance No. 684.
- d. "Fire Chief" shall mean the duly elected or appointed fire chief of each volunteer fire company located in and chartered to serve the Borough of Monroeville.
- e. "Fire Official" shall mean the Monroeville Borough Manager, or such other person appointed by him for the enforcement and administration of the Fire Code and provisions imposed under this Ordinance.

Section 3. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT. The Fire Official, on behalf of the Borough of Monroeville, shall prescribe and issue all forms necessary for the administration of the Fire Code and may adopt and enforce regulations relating to any matter pertaining to the administration of this Ordinance including but not limited to the review of the locations and issuance of permits, review of fire hydrant locations.

Section 4. FEES. A fee of Ten (\$10.00) Dollars shall be paid by the applicant for permits required under the Fire Code or provisions of the Building Code pertaining to fire safety when not covered by the established building permit fee for the cost of Borough inspection and administration.

Section 5. FIRE SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE. A Fire Safety Advisory Committee shall be formed for the purpose of assisting the Fire Official in the execution of his duties and his responsibilities through the review of permit applications required in administering of provisions of the Fire Code, the format of required inspection forms, the proper public relations and conduct during inspections, the performance at all fire drills held in educational and institutional occupancies, the enforcement procedures and their effectiveness, and

recommend code and procedure changes to the Fire Official to improve fire safety in the Borough. The membership of this committee shall be comprised of the fire chief of each volunteer fire company and the fire official who shall be the permanent chairman and ex-officio member of the committee. Additional members may be added from time to time as determined by the committee.

Section 6. INSPECTIONS. The Fire Official shall make, or cause to be made, inspections of all buildings and premises as often as may be necessary for the purpose of ascertaining and causing to be corrected any conditions liable to cause fire, endanger life from fire, of any violations of the provisions or intent of this code and of any other ordinance affecting the fire hazard, including but not limited to Articles 5, 6, and 12 of the Building Code. Fire inspections specified under the provisions of the Fire Code may be conducted under direction of the Fire Official by members of the volunteer fire companies designated by the Fire Official by direction of the Fire Official. Such inspections may be reviewed by the Fire Safety Advisory Committee. The Fire Official shall also conduct inspections and review inspections made by the volunteer fireman to insure a consistent level of inspection. All inspections shall be carried out under regulations and procedures recommended by the Fire Safety Committee and approved by the Fire Official in accordance with the provisions of the Fire Code, Building Code, and this Ordinance.

Section 7. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS. Any person or corporation who violates any provision of the Fire Code or Building Code, which provisions relate to fire safety, will be prosecuted by the Fire Official. Notices of violation or requests for compliance with provisions of the Fire Code may be issued by an authorized inspector. Upon conviction before a justice of the peace or competent judicial body, a fine not exceeding Three Hundred (\$300.00) Dollars may be assessed, and in default of payment thereof imprisonment in the Allegheny County Jail not to exceed thirty (30) days. Each day that a violation continues after the service of notice as provided herein shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 8. REPEALER. All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed insofar as they may be inconsistent herewith.

Section 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance shall take effect upon its enactment.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED into Law this 10th day of November, 1970.

ATTEST:

BOROUGH OF MONROEVILLE

S/ Carrol F. Pickens
Secretary

By S/ George C. Dale
President of Council

EXAMINED AND APPROVED this 11th day of November, 1970.

S/ John J. Duncan
Mayor