

ORDINANCE NO. 60

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amended*

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WALLIS, TEXAS REQUIRING SMOKE DETECTORS IN NEW CONSTRUCTION AND SUBSTANTIAL REMODELING.

WHEREAS, THE CITY COUNCIL OF WALLIS, TEXAS, finds that it is in the best interest of the Citizens of Wallis, Texas, that smoke detectors be hereafter required in all newly constructed homes commercial and retail buildings as well as remodeling construction or additions to existing structures.

BE IT THEREFORE ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALLIS, TEXAS:

NEW CONTRACTORS

- (A) That hereafter the date hereof building contractors, and or property owners and tenants shall be jointly and severally responsible for the installation of U. L. approved Smoke Detectors or Smoke Detector systems in all newly constructed homes and buildings whether for residential, retail or commercial use. There shall be installed in all such buildings at least one (1) smoke detector per each 500 square feet of floor space in residential buildings and homes. There shall be installed at least one (1) smake detector per each 800 square feet of floor space in all new commercial and/or retail buildings. Excluded from this provision shall be parking space and garages. *800*

ADDITION AND REMODELING CONSTRUCTION

- (B) That hereafter from the date hereof, building contractors, property owners and/or tenants shall be jointly and severally responsible for the placing and installation of U.L. approved Smoke Detector systems in all new additions to existing homes or buildings, whether for residential, retail or commercial use, if, the new addition is 250 square feet of floor space or more and it is residential remodeling construction or if it is 400

square feet of floor space or more for retail and/or commercial remodeling construction. This provision shall not be applicable for construction of garages or parking space. Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, however, regarding minimal required square footage of floor space; if the addition or remodeling construction exceeds \$5,000.00 in construction cost, then smoke detectors will be required to be installed as per the floor space footage allowances and requirements as set out in Paragraph "A" herein.

FINES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY

- (C) Building contractors, property owners, and/or tenants who are found to have failed or refused to install the smoke detector in accordance with Paragraph "A" and "B" above, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor offense for violation of this ordinance and will be subject to a fine of not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$200.00 per violation.

PASSED AND APPROVED 12th day of August, 1980.

CITY OF WALLIS

BY: 

CHARLES J. DUSEK, JR.
MAYOR

ATTEST:

BY: 
CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

BY: 
V. O. "BUTCH" CARDEN, JR.
CITY ATTORNEY