

ORDINANCE NO. 20292

AN ORDINANCE introduced by City Manager Brent Trout, concerning alarm system installers, amending Topeka Municipal Code § 5.15.020 and § 5.15.030 and repealing original sections.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF TOPEKA, KANSAS:

Section 1. That section 5.15.020, License required, of The Code of the City of Topeka, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

License required.

(a) It is unlawful for any person to engage in the operation of an alarm business within the City without having first obtained a license to operate such a business from the Chief of Police.

(b) It is unlawful for any person to engage in altering, installing, maintaining, repairing, replacing, moving, or servicing an alarm system within the City limits, or causing the same to take place without having been certified for the particular classification of system involved.

~~(c) — Persons operating such alarm businesses or engaged in selling, providing, altering, installing, maintaining, repairing, replacing, moving, or servicing alarm systems on the effective date of this section shall make application for a license within 60 days of the effective date of this section and may continue to operate such businesses until their request for a license is finally acted upon.~~

Section 2. That section 5.15.030, Certifications – Persons engaged in installation or repair of alarm systems, of The Code of the City of Topeka, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Certifications – Persons engaged in installation or repair of alarm systems.

(a) Persons engaged in altering, installing, maintaining, repairing, replacing,

28 moving, or servicing alarm systems as a condition of obtaining a license shall be
29 certified by the ~~National Burglar and Fire Alarm~~the Electronic Security Association, or
30 any other nationally recognized testing or certification organization for the particular
31 classification of the system involved.

32 (b) If an applicant is not yet certified at the time they apply for a license, the
33 Chief may issue a provisional license conditioned upon that person's successful
34 completion of certification requirements within one year of the date the provisional
35 license is issued. Persons working with a provisional license shall work under the direct
36 supervision of a certified person until the provisional licensee becomes certified.

37 Section 3. That original § 5.15.020 and § 5.15.030 of The Code of the City of
38 Topeka, Kansas, are hereby specifically repealed.

39 Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its
40 passage, approval and publication in the official City newspaper.

41 Section 5. This ordinance shall supersede all ordinances, resolutions or rules,
42 or portions thereof, which are in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance.

43 Section 6. Should any section, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared
44 invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the same shall not affect the validity of this
45 ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof, other than the part so declared to be invalid.

46 PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council on April 20, 2021.

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53 Michelle De La Isla, Mayor

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57 Brenda Younger, City Clerk