



Town of Palmer

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"The Town of Seven Railroads"

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November 9, 2015

Sponsor: Administration

Ordinance 2016-01

AMENDMENT TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE TOWN OF PALMER

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PALMER TOWN COUNCIL

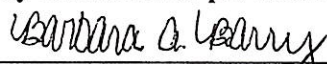
That the Town of Palmer shall adopt by local option Chapter 148 Section 26H of the Massachusetts General Laws.

In any city or town which accepts the provisions of this section, every lodging house or boarding house shall be protected throughout with an adequate system of automatic sprinklers in accordance with the provisions of the state building code. No such sprinkler system shall be required unless sufficient water and water pressure exists. In such buildings or in certain areas of such buildings, where the discharge of water would be an actual danger in the event of a fire, the head of the fire department shall permit the installation of such other fire suppressant systems as are prescribed by the state building code in lieu of automatic sprinklers. The head of the fire department shall enforce the provisions of this section.

For the purposes of this section "lodging house" or "boarding house" shall mean a house where lodgings are let to six or more persons not within the second degree of kindred to the person conducting it, but shall not include fraternity houses or dormitories, rest homes or group residences licensed or regulated by agencies of the commonwealth.

Any lodging or boarding house subject to the provisions of this section shall be equipped with automatic sprinklers within five years after acceptance of this act by a city or town.

Whoever is aggrieved by the head of the fire department's interpretation, order, requirement or direction under the provisions of this section, may within forty-five days after the service of notice thereof, appeal from such interpretation, order or requirement to the board of appeals of the fire safety commission as provided in section two hundred and one of chapter six.


Barbara A. Barry, Council President


Charles T. Blanchard, Town Manager

Adoption History:

Proposed Ordinance Submitted to Town Council July 13, 2015

Agenda item and First Reading at Regular Town Council Meeting held on September 14, 2015

Public Hearing was warned in Palmer Journal Register on October 1 & October 8, 2015

Public Hearing was held in Palmer Town Bldg. October 13, 2015

Second Reading at Regular Town Council Meeting held on October 13, 2015

Vote on Ordinance at Regular Council Meeting and entered into the minutes of this meeting on November 9, 2015. Vote to approve Ordinance passed by a vote of 6 Yes and 0 No

Posted in public places on November 10, 2015

Notice of adoption published in the Palmer Journal Register on November 19, 2015

Effective Date: November 30, 2015