

ORDINANCE NO. 7919-08

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CLEARWATER, FLORIDA,
RELATING TO FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY INSPECTION FEES;
AMENDING THE SCHEDULE OF FEES IN APPENDIX A,
ARTICLE VIII, CLEARWATER CODE OF ORDINANCES, TO
ADD A FEE FOR THE PERMIT REQUIRED FOR TRENCH
DIGGING; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, Clearwater Fire & Rescue is charged with providing rescue services in the Clearwater Fire Control District within Pinellas County, Florida; and

WHEREAS, Section 633.025, Florida Statutes (2007) requires a municipality, county, or special district with fire and life safety responsibilities to adopt and enforce minimum fire and life safety standards; and

WHEREAS, Section 633.081, Florida Statutes (2007) allows the governing body of a municipality, county, or special district with fire and life safety enforcement responsibilities to provide a schedule of fees to pay the cost of inspections and related administrative expenses; and

WHEREAS, because a new permit for Trench Digging has been created, a fee for said permit is added to Appendix A, Article VIII, Clearwater Code of Ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the fees imposed herein are reasonably related to the expenses of the City in providing these services; now, therefore,

**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
CLEARWATER, FLORIDA:**

Section 1. Appendix A, Article VIII, Clearwater Code of Ordinance, is hereby amended as follows:

VIII. Fire and Life Safety Inspection/Permit Fees:

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| (1) <i>Preliminary Site Plans</i> | \$200.00 each |
| (2) <i>New Construction/Renovations Plan Review</i> | \$0.04 per sq. ft. |
| (3) <i>3rd Plan Review</i> | \$100.00 plus \$0.04 per sq. ft. |
| (4) <i>Fire Protection Sprinkler Systems (All)</i> | \$0.04 per sq. ft. |
| (5) <i>Underground Fire Line</i> | \$100.00 each |
| (6) <i>Armovers or Add Head to Existing Sprinkled Spaces</i> | \$1.00 per head, \$50.00 minimum |
| (7) <i>Standpipe Systems</i> | \$100.00 each |
| (8) <i>Fire Pump</i> | \$250.00 each for review, inspection, and acceptance test |
| (9) <i>Fire Alarm and Detection Systems (All)</i> | \$0.04 per sq. ft., \$50.00 per panel |
| (10) <i>Pre-engineered Fire Suppression Fixed Systems (All) or Hood Systems (All)</i> | \$75.00 |

(11) Renovation Inspection.....	\$50.00
(12) Hotwork: Commercial Roofing, Welding, Cutting, Thermite Welding, Braising, Soldering, Grinding Thermal Spraying.....	\$100.00
(13) Certificate of Occupancy Inspection.....	\$50.00
(14) Red Tag Fee (failed permit inspection)	\$50.00
(15) Trench Digging Permit	\$200.00
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(16)(15) Change of Occupancy Inspection.....	\$50.00
(17)(16) Flammable/Combustible Liquids Storage	\$50.00
(18)(17) Tank Removal or Tank Installation	\$60.00 each
(19)(18) LP Storage Cylinders	\$50.00
(20)(19) Fireworks Display.....	\$150.00
(21)(20) Tent permit and Inspection	\$150.00
(22)(21) ALF's.....	\$50.00 per floor
(23)(22) Nursing Homes	\$50.00 per floor
(24)(23) Hospitals	\$50.00 per floor
(25)(24) Group Homes.....	\$50.00 per floor
(26)(25) Foster Homes	\$50.00 per floor
(27)(26) Disaster Plan Review.....	\$50.00 each
(28)(27) Daycare.....	\$50.00 per floor
(29)(28) Occupational License Inspection	\$50.00
(30)(29) Periodic Inspection.....	No Charge
(31)(30) Follow-up Re-inspection	No Charge
(32)(31) 1 st Re-inspection less than 80,000 sq. ft.....	\$50.00
(33)(32) Subsequent Re-inspection less than 80,000 sq. ft.	\$100.00
(34)(33) Re-inspection over 80,000 sq. ft	\$100.00
(35)(34) Subsequent Re-inspection over 80,000 sq. ft....	\$200.00
(36)(35) Licensure of Facilities Inspection	\$50.00
(37)(36) Fire Watch.....	\$43.00 (per person per hour)
(38)(37) Fire Watch Apparatus Usage.....	\$150.00 (per apparatus per hour)

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

PASSED ON FIRST READING

March 6, 2008

PASSED ON SECOND AND FINAL
READING AND ADOPTED

March 20, 2008

Frank V. Hibbard

Frank V. Hibbard
Mayor

Approved as to form:

Attest:

Robert J. Surette

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Mary E. Goudeau
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