

CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON

ORDINANCE NO. 2843

AN ORDINANCE reducing false alarm fees and amending Section 6 of City of Bellevue Ordinance No. 2474 and Bellevue City Code Section 9.16.040.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELLEVUE, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. City of Bellevue Ordinance No. 2474 Section 6 and Bellevue City Code Section 9.16.040 are each hereby amended to read as follows:

9.16.040 Fees, corrective action, disconnection.

For police response to any false alarm, the city shall charge and collect from the person having or maintaining such burglary and/or robbery alarm on premises owned or occupied by him fees as follows:

- A. For a response to premises at which no other false alarm has occurred within the preceding six-month period, hereinafter referred to as a "first response," no fee shall be charged.

Upon first response, notice of conditions and requirements of this chapter shall be given to the owner or occupant of the premises on which the false alarm occurred and upon which the burglary and/or robbery alarm is located.

- B. For a second response to premises within six months after the first response a fee of twenty-five dollars shall be charged. The person having or maintaining such burglary and/or robbery alarm shall, within five working days after notice to do so, make a written report to the chief of police on prescribed forms setting forth the cause of such false alarm, the corrective action taken, whether and when such alarm has been inspected by authorized service personnel, and such other information as the chief of police may reasonably require to determine the cause of such false alarm, any mitigating circumstances and corrective action necessary. The chief of police may direct the person having or maintaining such burglary and/or robbery alarm to have authorized service personnel inspect the alarm at such premises and to take other corrective action as prescribed by the chief of police. All costs of inspection and corrective action shall be borne by the individual having or maintaining the alarm on said premises.
- C. For a third response to premises within six months after such a second response, and for all succeeding responses within six months of the last response, a fee of fifty dollars shall be charged, and

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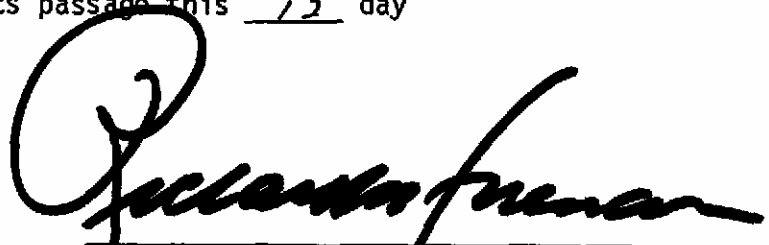
if such third false alarm or any such succeeding false alarm occurs as a result of failure to take necessary corrective action prescribed under subsection B of this section, the chief of police may order the person having or maintaining the burglary and/or robbery alarm to disconnect such alarm until the prescribed corrective action is taken and certification of such corrective action is provided to the police department, provided that no disconnection shall be ordered relative to any premises required by law to have an alarm system in operation.

- D. In the event that the chief of police or his designee determines that a false alarm occurred as a direct result of an interruption of electrical power, a telephone line malfunction or a malfunction of the alarm equipment clearly beyond the control of the person having or maintaining such burglary and/or robbery alarm on premises owned or occupied by him, the City shall waive imposition of the applicable false alarm fee.

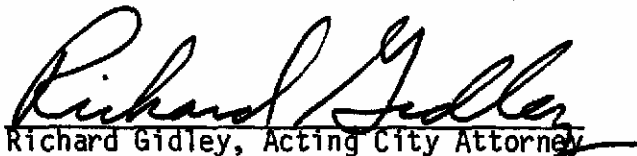
Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days after its passage and legal publication.

PASSED by the City Council this 12 day of May, 1980, and signed in authentication of its passage this 12 day of May, 1980.

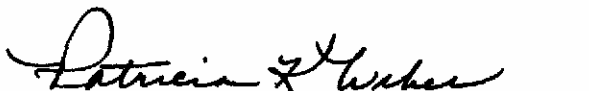
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