ORDINANCE NO. 02-2019

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, AMENDING CHAPTER 15.20 OF THE COVINGTON MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW THIRD PARTY INSPECTION REPORTING VIA ONLINE SOFTWARE.

WHEREAS, the City of Covington contracts with Puget Sound Regional Fire Authority (Fire Authority) to regulate the construction and maintenance of buildings and structures using the adopted International Codes; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Fire Authority’s duty to monitor the third party inspection process for fire systems, the Fire Authority desires to change to a paperless electronic online reporting system to increase efficiency and function of the third party reporting system for annual inspections and improve customer access; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 15.20 of Title 15, Buildings and Construction, of the Covington Municipal Code (CMC) needs to be amended in order to allow the third party reporting system;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COVINGTON, KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON, DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amended subsections of Chapter 15.20 of the Covington Municipal Code are adopted in the form as attached as Exhibit A and herein incorporated by this reference.

Section 2. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect as of March 20, 2019, after proper posting and publication. A summary of this ordinance may be published in lieu of publishing the ordinance in its entirety.

Section 3. If any provision of this ordinance, or ordinance modified by it, is determined to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions of this ordinance and ordinances and/or resolutions modified by it shall remain in force and effect.

Passed by the City Council on the 12th day of March 2019.

Mayor Jeff Wagner

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ATTESTED:

Sharon Scott, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Kathy Hardy, City Attorney
15.20.050 Amendments to the International Fire Code – Chapter 5, Fire Service Features.
The following local amendments to Chapter 5 of the International Fire Code, entitled “Fire Service Features,” are adopted and incorporated into the International Fire Code:

(18) Section 507 of the International Fire Code is amended by adding new subsection 507.5.2.1 as follows:

507.5.2.1. Records. Records of all system inspections, tests and maintenance required by the referenced standard shall be maintained on the premises for three years; copies shall be delivered submitted by an approved means to the fire code official within 30 calendar days of each test, inspection, or maintenance of the system.

(19) Section 507 of the International Fire Code is amended by adding new subsection 507.5.3.1 as follows:

507.5.3.1. Records. Records of all system inspections, tests and maintenance required by the referenced standard shall be maintained on the premises for three years; copies shall be submitted by an approved means delivered to the fire code official within 30 calendar days of each test, inspection, or maintenance of the system.

15.20.060 Amendments to the International Fire Code – Chapter 6, Building Services and Systems.

The following local amendments to Chapter 6 of the International Fire Code, entitled “Building Services and Systems,” are hereby adopted and incorporated into the International Fire Code as if fully set forth therein:

(1) Section 606 of the International Fire Code is amended by substituting subsection 606.6 with the following:

606.6. Testing of equipment. Refrigeration equipment and systems having a refrigerant circuit more than 220 pounds of Group A1 or 30 pounds of any other group refrigerant shall be subject to periodic testing in accordance with Section 606.6.1. A written record of the required testing shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of three years; a copy shall be submitted by an approved means to the fire code official within 30 calendar days of the testing; and a label or tag shall be affixed to the individual system identifying the date of the testing. Tests of emergency devices or systems required by this chapter shall be conducted by persons trained and qualified in refrigeration systems.

15.20.070 Amendments to the International Fire Code – Chapter 7, Fire and Smoke Prevention Features.
The following local amendments to Chapter 7 of the International Fire Code, entitled “Fire and Smoke Prevention Features,” are hereby adopted and incorporated into the International Fire Code as if fully set forth therein:

(1) Section 703 of the International Fire Code is amended by substituting subsection 703.4 with the following:

703.4. Testing. Horizontal, vertical sliding and rolling fire doors shall be inspected and tested annually to confirm proper operation and full closure. A written record shall be maintained on the premises for a minimum of three years; a copy shall be submitted by an approved means to the fire code official within 30 calendar days of the inspection or test; and a label or tag shall be affixed to the individual assembly identifying the date of scheduled confidence test.

15.20.080 Amendments to the International Fire Code – Chapter 9, Fire Protection Systems
The following local amendments to Chapter 9 of the International Fire Code, entitled “Fire Protection Systems,” are hereby adopted and incorporated into the International Fire Code as if fully set forth therein:

(1) Section 901 of the International Fire Code is amended by substituting subsection 901.6.2 with the following:

901.6.2. Records. Records of all system inspections, tests and maintenance required by the referenced standards shall be maintained on the premises for three years; a copy shall be submitted by an approved means to the fire code official within 30 calendar days of each test, inspection, or maintenance of the system; and a label or tag shall be affixed to the individual system identifying the date of the scheduled confidence test.

(10) Section 907 of the International Fire Code is amended by adding new subsection 907.8.5.1 as follows:

907.8.5.1. Records. Records of all system inspections, tests and maintenance required by the referenced standards shall be maintained on the premises for three years; a copy shall be submitted by an approved means to the fire code official within 30 calendar days of each test, inspection, or maintenance of the system; and a label or tag shall be affixed to the individual system identifying the date of the scheduled confidence test.

(14) Section 909 of the International Fire Code is amended by substituting subsection 909.20.2 with the following:

909.20.2 Written record. The records shall include the date of the maintenance, identification of the servicing personnel and notification of any unsatisfactory condition and the corrective action taken, including parts replacement. The written record of smoke control system testing and maintenance shall be maintained on the premises for three years; a copy shall be submitted by an approved means to the fire code official within 30 days of each test or maintenance of the system; and a label or tag shall be affixed to the individual system identifying the date of the scheduled testing.