

**CITY OF ST. AUGUSTA
STEARNS COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

Ordinance # 2013-08

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE MINNESOTA STATE FIRE CODE. OPTIONAL APPENDIX CHAPTERS SHALL NOT APPLY UNLESS SPECIFICALLY ADOPTED.

The City of St. Augusta hereby ordains as follows:

FIRE CODE

The 2007 *Minnesota State Fire Code*, which adopts the 2006 *International Fire Code* including Appendix Chapters B,C,D,H, and I, is adopted as the Fire Code for the City of St. Augusta, Minnesota, for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, except such portions as are modified or amended by this ordinance:

APPENDIX B – FIRE-FLOW REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDINGS.

APPENDIX C – FIRE HYDRANT LOCATIONS AND DISTRIBUTION.

APPENDIX D – FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROADS.

APPENDIX H – OPEN FLAME AND FUEL STORAGE PROHIBITED ON BALCONIES OR PATIOS

APPENDIX I - SPECIAL LOCKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR GROUP I OCCUPANCIES

Subd. 1. Enforcement.

(a) The Chief of the Fire Department serving the City of St. Augusta, Minnesota, or authorized representative will enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

(b) The Chief of the Fire Department may detail members of the Fire Department as inspectors as necessary. The Chief of the Fire Department may recommend the employment of technical inspectors, who, when such authorization is made, will be selected in accordance with the applicable employment policies of the City of St. Augusta.

Subd. 2. Definitions.

(a) “Jurisdiction” means the City of St. Augusta.

Subd. 3. Open Burning.

A Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Burning Permit is required for the kindling or maintaining of an open fire or fire on any public street, alley, road, or other public or private ground. The permit holder must adhere to all permit instructions and stipulations.

Subd. 4. Prohibited open burning.

Open burning that will be offensive or objectionable due to smoke or odor emissions when atmospheric conditions or local circumstances make such fires hazardous will be prohibited. The Fire Chief or his designee is authorized to order the extinguishment by the permit holder or the fire department of open burning when it creates or adds to a hazardous or objectionable situation.

Exception: Permitted burning within areas zoned Agricultural.

Subd. 5. Open-flame Cooking Devices. Charcoal burners and other open-flame cooking devices will not be operated on combustible balconies or within 15 feet of combustible construction.

Exception: One and two family dwellings.

Subd. 6. Liquefied-petroleum-gas-fueled cooking devices. LP gas burners will not be located on combustible balconies or within 15 feet of combustible construction.

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Subd. 7. Recreational fires. Recreational fires will not be conducted within 25 feet of a structure or combustible material unless the fire is contained in an approved device or method, such as a fireplace, charcoal grill, etc. located at least 15 feet from any buildings, fences or structures.

Subd. 8. Stop Work Order. Any person who will continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, will be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Subd. 9. Amendments to the 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code and 2006 International Fire Code.

(a) Section 314.9, 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code. Solid Fuel Burning Appliances in Exhibit Halls and Assembly Occupancies. Use of solid fuel burning appliances for display purposes will not be allowed in assembly occupancies other than cooking fuel as described in NFPA 101, 2000 Edition, Section 12.7.1.4. Solid fuel burning appliances may be defined as any appliance that uses decomposition of cellulose material, hydrocarbon solids, animal fat or proteins to produce heat or leaves an ash residue. This would include plant products or materials, wood, coal, mesquite, etc.

(b) Section 314.10, 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code. Compressed flammable gas cylinders and flammable or combustible liquids used for display purposes will be prohibited within exhibit hall and assembly occupancies.

(c) Amendments to Chapter 5 – Fire Service Features

Section 503.4, 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code – Obstruction of fire apparatus access roads is amended to add the following language:

Parking of motor vehicles in, or otherwise obstructing fire lanes will be prohibited at all times. Any vehicle so parked is the act of a registered owner as well as the act of the person actually parking the vehicle. For purposes of this section, registered owner is defined to include motor vehicle leasing agencies and corporate owners. It will be a defense to any violation if the registered owner shows that on the date of the offense, title has been transferred to another.

(d) Section 506.1 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code, **Key Boxes Where Required** is amended to add the following language: An approved DAMA® brand emergency key-box shall be permanently installed adjacent to the main entrance of the structure at eye level unless approved otherwise by the fire official.

(e) Section 907.9.1 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code **Zoning indicator panel** is amended to add the following language: The fire alarm panel or annunciator shall be located at the main entrance of the structure unless approved otherwise by the fire official.

(f) Section 907.15 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code **Monitoring** is amended to add the following language: Fire alarms requiring electronic monitoring shall be monitored by an alarm service listed for Central Station Service unless approved otherwise by the fire official.

(g) Section 912.2 Minnesota State Fire Code **Fire Department Connection Locations** is amended to add the following language: The fire department connection shall be located adjacent to the main entrance of the structure unless approved otherwise by the fire official.

(h) Section 3308.2.2 Minnesota State Fire Code **Proximate audience displays** is amended to add the following language: Indoor displays of fireworks, pyrotechnics and open flame performances to proximate audiences is prohibited within the city.

(i) Section 3406.2.4.4 Minnesota State Fire Code **Locations where above ground tanks are prohibited** is amended to add the following language: new installations of fuel and storage tanks for flammable and combustible liquids and gases are prohibited from building rooftops and floors other than the lowest floor of buildings, unless approved otherwise by the fire official.

(j) Amendments to Appendix D, 2007 Minnesota State Fire Code – Fire Apparatus Access Roads
1. Figure D103.1 – DEAD-END FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS ROAD TURNAROUND is amended as follows:

A Cul-de-sac will have the minimum diameter of 90 feet with posted no parking lane or will have a minimum diameter of 120 feet where parking is provided.

History: Ord. 2370 9-13-07.

PASSED this 3rd day of August, 2013.

B.J. Kroll, Mayor

ATTEST:

William R. McCabe, Administrator/Clerk