

# Ordinance No. 1133

**AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Subsection 2, Subsection 3, and Subsection 4 of Section 9 of Ordinance No. 290, Known as the Building Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, adopted May 23, 1939 and made effective July 21, 1939, as amended by Ordinance No. 522 and Ordinance No. 889, which Subsection 2 relates to FEES AND PERMITS FOR CONSTRUCTING OR ALTERING BUILDINGS, which Subsection 3 relates to FEES AND PERMITS FOR INSTALLING ELEVATORS AND DUMBWAITERS, which Subsection 4 relates to FEES AND PERMITS FOR INSTALLING SIGNS, which Section 9 relates to FEES AND PERMITS IN CONNECTION WITH BUILDINGS GENERALLY, which Ordinance No. 290 is the Building Code of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and which Ordinances No. 522 and 889 relate to FEES AND PERMITS IN CONNECTION WITH BUILDINGS GENERALLY.**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Subsection 2, Section 9 of Ordinance No. 290, adopted May 23, 1939 and made effective July 21, 1939, as amended by Ordinance No. 522 and Ordinance No. 889, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

2. Before any permit for the construction of a new building, addition or enlargement is issued, the owner, or the person, firm or corporation doing the work shall pay to the City Treasurer a fee based on the superficial area of all floors, including basements and roofs as follows:

The minimum fee for any permit shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00). The fees for non-fireproof buildings shall be One Cent (\$.01) per superficial square foot, plus seven tenths of one percent (.7%) of the actual cost of labor and material.

For fireproof or non-combustible buildings the fee shall be One and One-half Cents (\$.015) per superficial square foot, plus seven tenths of one percent (.7%) of the actual cost of labor and material.

In computing the fee for industrial buildings over twenty feet high, the vertical height shall be divided by twelve and the quotient shall be the number of stories; but, this method of computation shall not apply to churches or similar buildings having auditoriums which exceed twenty feet in height.

Before any permit for the repair or alteration of any building or structure where there is no addition or enlargement or for the installation of an air conditioning system is issued, the owner or the person, firm or corporation doing the work shall pay a fee calculated at the rate of one and two tenths percent (1.2%) of the actual cost of the work including labor and material.

The fee for a permit for excavation and/or foundation work pertaining to any building that is issued prior to the permit for the construction of the building shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each building.

Section 2. That Subsection 3, Section 9 of Ordinance No. 290, adopted May 23, 1939 and made effective July 21, 1939, as amended

by Ordinance No. 522 and Ordinance No. 889, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

3. The fee for the installation permit for each freight elevator and for each passenger elevator shall be Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00), plus seven tenths of one percent (0.7%) of the total cost of installation including labor and material.

The fee for the installation permit for each dumbwaiter shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00), plus seven tenths of one percent (0.7%) of the total cost of installation including labor and material.

Section 3. That Subsection 4, Section 9 of Ordinance No. 290, adopted May 23, 1939 and made effective July 21, 1939, as amended by Ordinance No. 522 and Ordinance No. 889, be and the same hereby is amended and reordained to read as follows:

4. Before any permit for the erection of any sign, or for repainting an existing sign which has at some time been legally authorized, is issued, the owner or the person, firm or corporation doing the work shall pay a fee scheduled as follows:

The minimum fee for any permit to erect a neon sign shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00).

For signs with an area over one hundred square feet the fee shall be Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00), plus seven tenths of one percent (.7%) of the actual cost including labor and material; for signs with an area of seventy-five to one hundred square feet the fee shall be Ten Dollars (\$10.00), plus seven tenths of one percent (.7%) of the actual cost including labor and material; for signs with an area of twenty-five to seventy-five square feet the fee shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00), plus seven tenths of one percent (.7%) of the actual cost including labor and material; and for signs with an area of less than twenty-five square feet the fee shall be Two Dollars (\$2.00), plus seven tenths of one percent (.7%) of the actual cost including labor and material. For repainting an existing sign which has at some time been legally authorized, the permit fee shall be Three Dollars (\$3.00).

Section 4. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the City not later than five days following its introduction together with a notice containing the time and place for a public hearing. The Clerk of the Council shall note the date of introduction and first reading, the date of publication, the date of the public hearing, and the date of the second reading and final passage in the minutes of the meeting. This ordinance shall become effective the date of its final passage. The fees prescribed by ordinance numbered 889 shall apply to all plans which are on file with the Building Inspector on or before the date of final passage of this ordinance. The fees prescribed by this ordinance shall apply to plans which are on file with the Building Inspector on or before the date of final passage of this ordinance, but which are amended subsequent to the date of final passage of this ordinance.

FRANK E. MANN

Mayor

Final Passage: October 10, 1961