

Ordinance No. 712

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 19, Chapter IV, 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, which Section 19 and Chapter IV relate to Fire Limits and which ordinance No. 290 relates to regulations concerning the construction of buildings in the City of Alexandria, Virginia.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF ALEXANDRIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

Sec. 1. That Section 19, Chapter IV of Ordinance No. 290 adopted May 23, 1939 and made effective July 21, 1939 as amended, be and the same hereby is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER IV.

Section 19. FIRE LIMITS.

The fire limits which are defined as that area bounded by First Street, the Potomac River, Franklin Street and the Right of Way of R. F. & P. R. R. shall also include all areas which are now or shall hereafter be known and classified under the Zoning Ordinances as RA, RB, RC, RM, C1, C2, C3, 11 and 12 Zones.

Except as hereinafter provided all buildings or additions to existing buildings erected within the fire limits shall have all exterior walls or party walls built of masonry not less than eight inches (8") thick and shall have roof covering of incombustible materials.

There is hereby created a Board of Fire Zone Appeals to be composed of three members, one of whom shall be the City Engineer, one the Chief of the Fire Department, and the third a member of the Council to be appointed by the Mayor. The Board shall have authority to allow frame additions in the Fire Zone to existing frame structures, provided, such additions are not more than one story in height, have a floor area of not over 100 square feet, and the proposed addition would tend to promote the general health and sanitary conditions of the property in question.

Sec. 2. That this ordinance shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the city not later than two 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.

Franklin P. Backus
Mayor

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