

MONTGOMERY COUNTY EXECUTIVE ORDER

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| Subject | | Executive Order No. | Subject Suffix |
| Fire Safety Code – Fire Protection Systems | | 197-13 | |
| Department | | Department No. | Effective Date |
| Department of Permitting Services | | 75 | 12/02/13 |

Pursuant to Chapter 22, Montgomery County Code 2004, as amended, and COMCOR 22.00.06, the County Executive or his designee shall conduct a public hearing at 6 PM on Wednesday, December 4, 2013, in the Department of Permitting Services, Seneca Conference Room, 255 Rockville Pike, 2nd Floor, Rockville, Maryland, to consider comments to a proposed regulation.

This regulation adopts and modifies certain standards published by the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) involved with the installation, testing and maintenance of certain fire protection systems as required by the Montgomery Country Building Code, the Montgomery County Fire Safety Code, and the Maryland State Fire Prevention Code. The changes do not retroactively apply to unaltered existing buildings, existing systems or existing conditions permitted or approved before the date of adoption of this regulation, unless inimical or distinct hazard exists.

The Department of Permitting Services has been delegated the authority by the Fire Chief (of Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Service) to adopt regulations pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Montgomery County Code in the cases of a new building, a new system, or new conditions.

Existing buildings, existing systems, or existing conditions which are altered are subject to this regulation to the extent required by the Maryland Building Rehabilitation Code, the Montgomery County Fire Safety Code, and the Maryland State Fire Prevention Code. Unaltered existing buildings, existing systems, or existing conditions are not subject to this regulation where no inimical or distinct hazard exists.

After the aforesaid Hearing, the Hearing Examiner shall report his findings and recommendations to the County Executive who shall issue a statement of his decision.

Written statements for consideration in this matter may be submitted to Mr. Joseph Felton, Manager, Department of Permitting Services, Division of Building Construction located at 255 Rockville Pike, 2nd Floor, Rockville, Maryland 20850 or to joe.felton@montgomerycountymd.gov.

APPROVED:

Thomas Street

Assistant Chief Administrative Officer

Date:

12/02/13