

ORDINANCE 78-78

To Amend Section 17.20.070 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, Entitled "Inspections - Right of Entry - Fees"


BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION I. Section 17.20.070 of the Bloomington Municipal Code, entitled "Inspections - Right of Entry - Fees" shall be amended to include subsection (d) to read as follows:

(d) At least thirty days before a scheduled inspection written notice shall be mailed or delivered to the owner of the rental property to be inspected that a housing inspection will occur, stating the proposed date or dates of the inspection. The owner shall have twenty-one days from the notice issuance date in which to notify all tenants of the pending inspection, during which time he shall arrange with the Engineering Department for inspection of his units. No advance notice shall be required if either the tenant or the tenant and the owner waive the requirements of this section, but in the event the tenant waives notice, the owner shall be notified that an inspection will occur. If either the tenant or the tenant and the owner refuse entry for inspection after proper notification, the appropriate court of Monroe County shall be utilized by the city to obtain a warrant for entry and inspection.

SECTION II. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption by the Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1978.

  
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John F. Richardson, President  
Bloomington Common Council


ATTEST:

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Karel Dolnick, City Clerk

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1978.

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Nora M. Connors, Deputy City Clerk

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1978.

  
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Francis X. McCloskey, Mayor  
City of Bloomington

SYNOPSIS

This ordinance would provide a "right of entry" procedure for the Engineering Department to follow when a housing inspection is planned for a rental unit. The housing code under which the city operates provides that search warrants may be obtained to facilitate housing inspections, and this ordinance would establish the steps that must be followed before the search warrant could be obtained.