

AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING STRUCTURES TO HAVE A KEY LOCK BOX INSTALLED ON THE EXTERIOR OF THE STRUCTURE FOR FIRE SAFETY PURPOSE

Whereas, the Board of Trustees have determined that the health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Village of Claycomo are promoted by requiring certain structures to have a key lock box installed on the exterior of the structure to aid the Claycomo Fire Department in gaining access to the structure when responding to calls for emergency services; and

Whereas, the key lock box system is being adopted nationally and will operate on a master key basis that will expedite entry into a structure during an emergency; and

Whereas, the key lock box system will eliminate forced entries into structures thereby avoiding costly and time-consuming efforts in gaining access to locked structures during an emergency; and

Whereas, the Village of Claycomo is authorized to pass this Ordinance pursuant to its police power and its home rule power

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF CLAYCOMO, CLAY COUNTY MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: The Code of Ordinances of the Village of Claycomo is hereby amended with the addition of the following provisions as Section 12-24

Section 12-24. Key Lock Box System

- (a) The following structures shall be equipped with a key lock box at or near the main entrance or such other location required by the fire chief or his designee:
(1) commercial or industrial structures protected by a remotely monitored automatic alarm system or automatic suppression system, or such structures that are secured in a manner that restricts access during an emergency;
(2) multi-family residential structures that have restricted access through locked doors or have a secured common corridor for access to the living units;
(3) government structures and nursing care facilities
(b) All newly constructed structures subject to this section shall have the key lock box installed and operational prior to the issuance of an occupancy permit. All structures in existence on the effective date of this section and subject to this section shall have one year from the effective date of this section to have a key lock box installed and operational.
(c) The fire chief or his designee shall designate the type of key lock box system to be implemented within the Village and shall have the authority to require all structures to use the designated system.
(d) The owner or operator of a structure required to have a key lock box shall, at all times, keep a key in the lock box that will allow for access to the structure.
(e) The fire chief or his designee shall be authorized to implement rules and regulations for the use of the lock box system.
(f) Any person who owns or operates a structure subject to this ordinance shall be subject to penalties for any violation of this ordinance, provided that the maximum fine for a conviction for a violation of this ordinance shall be \$500.00 and revocation or denial of a business license.

Section 2. That this ordinance is in full force and effect from the date of its passage and;

- (a) To those businesses required to have a lock box shall have one year from the date of the passing of this ordinance to become compliant with this ordinance and;
(b) Businesses required to comply with this ordinance shall contact the fire chief for applications or instructions

PASSED this 22nd day of June, 2009

[Signature]
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

ATTEST

Village Clerk

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