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ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT

13.01 Powers and Duties

The Authorized Official is hereby authorized and directed to enforce all the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance and establish rules for its administration. For such purposes he or she shall have the powers of a law enforcement officer. The Authorized Official shall have the power to render interpretations of this ordinance. Such interpretations shall be within the intent and purpose of the Zoning Ordinance, and be set forth in writing. In addition, the Authorized Official may appoint or solicit technical advice, inspectors, city officials and other city employees to assist with the administration of the Zoning Ordinance. The Authorized Official shall be a City employee, with work week, hours of work and salary to be determined by the City Council or another person approved by the City Council. With approval of the City Council, the Mayor shall appoint the Authorized Official.

13.02 Right of Entry

Whenever necessary to make an inspection to enforce any of the provisions of this title, the Authorized Official and authorized representatives may enter such building and onto such premises at all reasonable times to inspect. Provided such building or premises is occupied, the Authorized Official or authorized representative shall first present proper credentials and request entry. If such building or premises is unoccupied, the Authorized Official shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner or other persons having charge or control of the building or premises and request entry. If such entry is refused, the Authorized Official or authorized representative shall have recourse to every remedy provided by law to secure entry.

When the Authorized Official or authorized representative shall have first obtained a proper inspection warrant or other remedy provided by law to secure entry of the building or premises, no owner or occupant or any other person having charge, care or control of any building or premises shall fail or neglect to promptly permit entry.

13.03 Stop Order

Whenever any work or use is being done contrary to the provisions of this title, the Authorized Official may order the work or use stopped by notice in writing served on any person engaged in the doing or causing such work to be done, and any such persons shall forthwith stop such work or use until authorized by the Authorized Official to proceed with the work or use.