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AN ORDINANCE

repealing Article VII of Chapter 6 of the City Code relating to the 2018 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code and enacting in lieu thereof a new Article VII adopting the 2024 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code; and fixing the time when this ordinance shall become effective.

Be it ordained by the Council of the City of Columbia, Missouri, as follows:

SECTION 1. Article VII of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Columbia, Missouri, relating to the 2018 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code is hereby repealed and in lieu thereof a new Article VII, relating to the 2024 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code, is hereby enacted reading in the word and figures as follows:

CHAPTER 6. BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS

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ARTICLE VII. PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE

Sec. 6-71. Adopted.

The 2024 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc., including all appendices, one copy of which has been on file with the city clerk for a period of ninety (90) days prior to the adoption of this article, is hereby adopted by reference and made a part of the Code of Ordinances, City of Columbia, Missouri as fully as if set forth in its entirety. At least one (1) copy of the 2024 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code shall remain on file in the office of the city clerk and shall be kept available for public use, inspection and examination.

Sec. 6-72. Amendments.

The code adopted by this article is hereby amended by substituting the following sections in lieu of those sections with corresponding numbers in the code, or, where there is no corresponding section in the code, the following sections shall be enacted as additions to the code:

101.1 Title. These regulations shall be known as the Property Maintenance Code of Columbia, Missouri, hereinafter referred to as "this code."

101.2.1 Appendix A is hereby adopted as published.

102.3 Application of other codes. The last sentence shall be deleted and replaced with the following: Nothing in this code shall be construed to cancel, modify or set aside any provision of Chapter 29 of the City Code of Ordinances. All references to the International Zoning Code herein shall be deemed a reference to Chapter 29 of the City Code of Ordinances.

102.8 Referenced standards. The standards referenced in this code, listed in Chapter 8 and Appendix A shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference. (Other codes shall not apply except individual regulations of such other codes that are specifically incorporated by reference into this code). Where differences occur between provisions of this code and referenced standards, the provisions of this code shall apply.

SECTION 103 DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES

103.1 Director. The administration and enforcement of this ordinance shall be the duty of the director of housing and neighborhood services, who is designated the code official for purposes of this code. The code official is hereby authorized to take such action as may be reasonably necessary to enforce the provisions of this code. Such persons may be appointed and authorized as assistants or representatives of the director as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this code.

103.1.1 The Division of Building and Site Development and Department of Housing and Neighborhood Services. The persons employed in these offices, may be appointed, by the Director, as assistants to the administration and enforcement of this ordinance and code.

103.2 Appointment. Delete in its entirety.

103.3 Deputies. Delete in its entirety.

103.4 Restriction of employees. An employee connected with the enforcement of this code shall not be engaged in, or directly or indirectly connected with, the furnishing of labor, materials, or appliances for the construction, alteration or maintenance of a building, or the preparation of construction documents thereof, unless that person is the owner of the building; nor shall such employee engage in any work that conflicts with official duties or with interests of the department.

103.4.1 Liability. Any officer or employee charged with the enforcement of this code, while acting on behalf of the city, shall not thereby render such individual liable personally, and is hereby relieved from all personal liability for any damage accruing to persons or property as a result of any act performed in the discharge of official duties. Any suit instituted against any officer or employee because of an act performed by that officer or employee in the lawful discharge of duties and under the provisions of this code shall be defended by the legal representative of the jurisdiction until the final termination of the proceedings. The officer or employee shall not be liable for costs in any action, suit or proceeding that is instituted pursuant to the provisions of this code; and any officer or employee acting within the scope of employment and in good faith and without malice, shall be free from liability for acts performed under any of its provisions or by reason of any act or omission in the performance of official duties in connection therewith. Nothing

contained herein shall be deemed a waiver of the immunities and protection afforded to the city or officers and employees pursuant to state and federal law.

104.3 Re-Inspection fees. A re-inspection fee under the Rental Unit Conservation Law, Section 22-188(a)(3) will not be charged when the only violation of "this code" is the failure of battery power for the smoke detector.

105.3.1 Search warrant.

(a) If an application in writing is filed by the code official with the judge of the municipal court of the city, stating that there is probable cause to believe that a certain structure or premises, more particularly described therein, is or may be in violation of this code and is within the territorial jurisdiction of the city, and if such application is verified by the oath or affirmation stating evidential facts from which such judge determines the existence of probable cause, then such judge may issue a search warrant directed to the code official commanding the code official to search the structure or premises therein described. Such search warrant shall be executed and returned within ten (10) days after the date of its issuance. The code official shall make a return promptly after concluding the search, and such return shall contain an itemization of all violations of this code discovered pursuant to such search. The refusal to admit the code official to a structure or premises when the code official is in lawful possession of a search warrant commanding the code official to enter therein is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor.

106 MEANS OF APPEAL

[Delete in its entirety]

106.1 Application for appeal. Except for appeals from orders of the director under sections 109.7 and 109.8, any aggrieved person shall have the right to appeal a decision of the code official to the building construction codes commission. Application for appeal must be filed in accordance with the procedures set out in section 113 of the Building Code of Columbia, Missouri.

107.4 Penalty for noncompliance or delay.

(a) Any person who shall violate any provision of this code shall upon conviction be subject to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or three (3) months in jail or both such fine and imprisonment; provided however, that each day that a violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.

(b) Any person who shall fail to comply with a notice of violation given under section 107.1 or order under section 107.7 or order under section 107.10 shall upon conviction be subject to a fine of not less than twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or three (3) months in jail or both such fine and imprisonment; provided, however, that in those cases involving failure to comply with a notice of violation given under section 107.1 every day that a violation continues after the expiration of the reasonable period of time for the completion of the work specified by the director shall be deemed a separate offense; and provided that every day that a violation continues in violation of an order under sections 107.7 or 107.10 shall be deemed a separate offense.

108.4 Failure to comply. Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to

remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable to a fine of not less than one dollar and/or more than five hundred (\$500.00) dollars.

109 UNSAFE STRUCTURES AND EQUIPMENT
[Delete in its entirety and replace with the following:]

109 DEMOLITION OR REPAIR OF STRUCTURES
CONSTITUTING A PUBLIC NUISANCE

109.1 Structures constituting a public nuisance. All structures which have any of the following defects are public nuisances:

- (1) Those structures whose interior walls or other vertical structural members list, lean or buckle to such an extent that a plumb line passing through the center of gravity falls outside of the middle third of its base.
- (2) Those structures which, exclusive of the foundation, show thirty-three percent (33%) or more of damage or deterioration of the supporting member or members, or fifty percent (50%) of damage or deterioration of the non-supporting enclosing or outside walls or covering.
- (3) Those structures which have improperly distributed loads upon the floors or roofs or in which the same are overloaded, or which have insufficient strength to be reasonable safe for the purpose used.
- (4) Those structures which have been damaged by fire, wind or other causes so as to be dangerous to life, safety, health or welfare of the occupants or the residents of the city.
- (5) Those structures which are so dilapidated or decayed that they are a danger to the life, safety, health or welfare of the occupants or the residents of the city.
- (6) Those structures having inadequate facilities for egress in case of fire or panic or those having insufficient stairways, elevators, fire escapes or other means of communication.
- (7) Those structures which have parts which are so attached that they may fall and injure members of the public or property.
- (8) Those structures which exist in violation of any provision of the Building Code of Columbia, Missouri or other ordinances of this city and which are a danger to the life, safety, health or welfare of the occupants or residents of the city.
- (9) Those structures which, if occupied, would constitute a hazard to the safety, health, or welfare of the occupants because they lack maintenance, are in disrepair, are unsanitary, vermin infested or rodent infested, lack sanitary facilities or equipment or otherwise fail to comply with minimum provisions of this code.
- (10) Those structures which have unsafe equipment including any boiler, heating equipment, elevator, moving stairway, electrical wiring or device, flammable liquid containers or other equipment on the premises or within

the structure which is in disrepair or conditions that such equipment is a hazard to life, health, property or safety of the public or occupants of the premises or structure.

109.2 Notice of violation.

(a) Whenever the building regulations supervisor determines a structure to be a public nuisance, a notice shall be given to the owner, occupant, mortgagee, agent and all other persons having an interest in the structure or premises as shown by the land records of the county recorder of deeds who shall be parties to the action. Such notice shall be in writing and shall:

- (1) Include a description of the property sufficient for identification;
- (2) Specify the violations of this code constituting a public nuisance;
- (3) Specify if the property or any part of it is totally or partially vacated and, if so, the date;
- (4) Specify if the property is to be repaired, reconditioned, remodeled, demolished, placed in a sanitary condition, or made to conform to the occupancy requirement of this code;
- (5) State a time for the commencement of such work and a reasonable period of time for the completion of such work.

(b) The notice of violation shall be served either by personal service or by certified mail, return receipt requested. If service cannot be obtained by either of these methods of service, then service may be had by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the city.

109.3 Standards. The following standards should be followed by the building regulations supervisor and the director in ordering repair, reconditioning, remodeling, total or partial vacation, demolition, or cleaning of structures constituting a public nuisance.

- (1) If the structure can be reasonably repaired, reconditioned or remodeled so that it will no longer exist in violation of this code, it shall be ordered repaired, reconditioned or remodeled.
- (2) If the structure is in such a condition as to make it dangerous to the health, safety or general welfare of its occupants or any other person, it shall be ordered repaired, reconditioned, remodeled or demolished.
- (3) In any case where the structure is fifty percent (50%) damaged, decayed or deteriorated from its original value or structure, it shall be vacated, repaired, reconditioned or remodeled and in all cases where the structure is not or cannot be repaired, reconditioned or remodeled so that it will no longer exist in violation of the requirements of this code, it shall be demolished.
- (4) If the structure is a hazard to the safety, health or welfare of its occupants or of any person because it lacks sanitary facilities and equipment or is otherwise unsanitary because of an accumulation of garbage or trash or because of infestation, it shall either be placed in a clean and sanitary condition or demolished.

- (5) Any structure determined to be unfit for human occupancy shall be totally or partially vacated within a reasonable period of time to be determined by the building regulations supervisor or director. No structure or its affected part, ordered vacated shall again be used or leased for human occupancy by any occupant or owner until written approval is secured from the building regulations supervisor.

109.4 Failure to comply with notice of violation. Upon failure of the parties to the action to commence the work specified within the time specified by the notice of violation issued by the building regulations supervisor under Section 107.2 or upon failure to proceed continuously with the work without unnecessary delay in order to complete the work within the specified period of time, the director may call and have a full adequate hearing upon the matter.

109.5 Notice of Hearing.

(a) Whenever the director calls a hearing under Section 107.4, the director shall give at least ten (10) days written notice of the hearing to the owner, occupant, lessee, mortgagee, agent and all other persons having an interest in the structure or premises as shown by the land records of the county recorder of deeds. Such notice shall:

- (1) Include a description of the property sufficient for identification;
- (2) State the time, date and place of the hearing;
- (3) State who shall preside at the hearing;
- (4) State the notice is being given pursuant to this section.

(b) The notice of hearing shall be served either by personal service or by certified mail, return receipt requested. If service cannot be obtained by either of these methods of service, then service may be had by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the city.

109.6 Hearing procedure. The director shall preside over the hearing and shall cause the hearing to be suitably recorded and preserved. Any party may have a copy of all or any part of the record upon payment of a reasonable charge for reproduction. All parties must make oral entry of appearance for the benefit of the record. Oral evidence shall be taken only on oath or affirmation. Any party may be represented by counsel. All parties shall be given a full and adequate opportunity to be heard. Hearings need not be conducted according to the technical rules relating to evidence and witnesses.

109.7 Order of director. After a hearing under section 107.6, if the evidence supports a finding that the structure is a nuisance and detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city, the director shall make written and specific findings of fact based upon competent and substantial evidence, which show the structure to be a nuisance and detriment to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city, and the director shall order the structure to be repaired, reconditioned, remodeled, totally or partially vacated, demolished or placed in a sanitary condition. If the evidence does not support a finding that the structure is a nuisance or detrimental to the health, safety or welfare of the residents of the city, no order shall be issued. Immediately upon reaching a decision, the director shall give written notice of the director's decision by delivering or mailing to each

party, or the party's attorney of record, a copy of the director's findings of fact and order, if any. If notice of the director's decision cannot be obtained by either of these two (2) modes of service, then service may be had by posting a copy of the director's findings of fact and order, if any upon the affected property.

109.8 Appeals. An aggrieved party may appeal to the circuit court pursuant to the procedure established in Chapter 536, Revised Statutes of Missouri.

109.9 Special tax bills. If the work or act ordered by the director under section 109.7 is not done within the time as stated in the order, and if no appeals of the order are pending, the director may cause the condition which constitutes the nuisance to be removed or abated. The director may have the work done either by city employees or bidding the work through the purchasing division. No person shall enter private property to perform such work unless the property owner or occupant has consented to the entry or unless the municipal judge has issued a warrant for the entry. The actual cost of the performance including administrative costs, shall be submitted to the owner of the property. If the charge is not paid within thirty (30) days of receipt, the city manager shall certify the actual cost of performance, including administrative costs to the director of finance, who shall cause a special tax bill against the property to be prepared and collected. At the request of the taxpayer the tax bill may be paid in installments over a period of not more than ten (10) years. If any installment is not paid when due, the balance of the tax bill shall be then due and payable in full, together with all accrued interest. The tax bill from date of issuance shall be a personal debt against the property owner and shall also be a lien on the property until paid. Tax bills issued pursuant to this section shall bear interest from the date of issuance at the rate of ten (10) percent per annum for the first two (2) years and twelve (12) percent per annum thereafter.

109.10 Emergency power. Notwithstanding any other section of this code, in any case where, in the opinion of the director, it reasonably appears there is an immediate danger to the health, safety or welfare of any person, the director may take or order emergency action to vacate and repair or demolish any structure. The actual cost of performance shall be collected as provided by Section 109.9.

109.11 Judicial actions authorized. In case any order under Sections 109.7 or 109.10 is not immediately complied with, the director may request the city counselor to institute an appropriate judicial action to compel compliance with this code.

109.12 Placarding. Any structure determined by the code official to be a public nuisance may be posted with a placard by the code official. The placard shall include the following information in the form prescribed by the director: Name of city; name and address of the director; section of this code violated; if required to be vacated, an order that the structure, or its affected part, must remain vacated until the violation are corrected and the order to vacate is withdrawn by the building inspector; date the placard is posted; and a statement of the penalty for defacing or removing the placard.

109.13 Removal of placard. No person shall deface or remove any placard posted by the code official pursuant to Section 109.12 except by written authority from the code official.

109.14 Prohibited occupancy. No person shall occupy a placarded premises in violation of an order that it be vacated and no owner or person responsible for the premises shall allow anyone to occupy such a placarded premises.

109.15 Transfer of ownership. It shall be unlawful for the owner of any dwelling unit or structure who has received a compliance order or upon whom a notice of violation has been served to sell, transfer, mortgage, lease or otherwise dispose of the such dwelling unit or structure to another until the provisions of the compliance order or notice of violation have been complied with, or until such owner shall first furnish the grantee, transferee, mortgagee or lessee a true copy of any compliance order or notice of violation issued by the code official and shall furnish to the code official a signed and notarized statement from the grantee, transferee, mortgagee or lessee, acknowledging the receipt of such compliance order or notice of violation and fully accepting the responsibility without condition for making the corrections or repairs required by such compliance order or notice of violation.

109.16 Insurance proceeds. If there are proceeds of any insurance policy based upon a covered claim payment made for damage or loss to a building or other structure caused by or arising out of any fire, explosion, or other casualty loss, and if the covered claim payment for such damage or loss exceeds 50 percent of the face value of the policy on such building or other structure, then the insurance carrier for such building or structure shall pay 25 percent of such insurance claim proceeds to the city treasurer, who shall hold such money in an interest bearing account. If a special tax bill is issued by the city for the expenses of administering the provisions of this article and expenses of demolition, repair, cleaning debris and rubbish, and/or closing of such building or as a dangerous building under this article, such shall be paid from the moneys held by the city treasurer, and if there is any excess, such shall be paid by the city treasurer to the insured.

109.16.1 Release of proceeds.

(a) If within 30 days of the receipt of such insurance moneys the city has not instituted legal proceedings under the provisions of section 109.7, or by taking emergency measures as provided for in section 109.10, then the city treasurer shall release such proceeds and any interest which has accrued on such proceeds to the insured.

(b) If such building or structure is repaired or demolished pursuant to this section as attested to by the director or the director's authorized representative without cost to the city, then any insurance proceeds paid to the city treasurer and any interest thereon shall be paid to the insured.

109.16.2 Independent contractors. When the city takes bids from independent contractors for demolition of a building, bidders shall deduct any salvage value materials the building or structure may have from the cost of demolition in arriving in the bid amount. Should city employees do the demolition, the actual cash value of salvaged materials shall be deducted from the special tax bill for such demolition. In no case will the net cost of demolition be increased in order to effect salvage of materials.

109.16.3 Directors certificate of proof. Upon presentation of satisfactory proof that the insured has removed or will remove debris and repair, rebuild or otherwise make the insured premises safe and secure, the director or the director's authorized representative

shall issue a certificate within 30 days after receipt of such satisfactory proof to permit covered claim payment to the insured without deduction payable to the city treasurer as herein provided. It shall be the obligation of the insured or other person making claim to provide the insurance company with such certificate.

109.16.4 No subordination. Nothing in this section shall be construed to affect the priority of a named mortgagee on the insurance policy to the proceeds of the policy.

109.16.5 Failure to pay proceeds. It shall be unlawful for an insurance carrier to fail to pay insurance proceeds to the city after being notified pursuant to this article.

110.1 Imminent danger. Delete in its entirety.

110.2.1 Time limit. If an order is issued to board-up the openings of a structure, or if a structure is boarded up voluntarily, out of compliance with this code, the structure shall be brought into compliance and the structure shall not remain boarded-up longer than ninety (90) days from the date of the notice.

111 DEMOLITION

[Delete in its entirety.]

SECTION 202 – GENERAL DEFINITIONS

The following definitions shall be added to Section 202:

Building regulations supervisor. The building regulations supervisor or the supervisor's designee.

Director. The director of community development.

Family. The definition of "family" in chapter 29 shall apply to this code.

Rooming house. A building arranged or occupied for lodging, with or without meals, for compensation and not occupied as a one-family dwelling or a two-family dwelling. This definition shall also include the housing provided by fraternities and sororities organized for students of any college or university; however, a hotel, motor hotel or motel licensed under state statute shall not be deemed a rooming house for the purposes of this article.

Structure. That which is built or constructed or a portion thereof. This definition shall include manufactured housing.

302.4 Weeds. Delete in its entirety.

302.7 Accessory structures. All accessory structures, including detached garages, fences, walls, and retaining walls shall be maintained structurally sound and in good repair.

302.8 Motor and non-motorized vehicles. Except as provided for in other regulations, no inoperative or unlicensed motor vehicle shall be parked, kept or stored on any premises. No motor vehicle, no licensed or unlicensed utility trailers, boat trailers with or without a boat, motorized or pull type camping trailers or any similar type vehicles shall be parked, kept or stored on an unapproved surface on any premises, and no vehicle stated above shall at any time be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair, or in the process of being stripped or dismantled. Painting of vehicles is prohibited unless conducted inside an approved spray booth.

Exception: A vehicle of any type is permitted to undergo major overhaul, including bodywork, provided that such work is performed inside a garage, structure or similarly enclosed area designed and approved for such purposes.

303.2.1 Gate latches. All existing swimming pools shall have a self-latching, self-closing gate. The latches shall be a minimum of forty-eight (48) inches from the bottom of the gate.

303.3 Drain cover. All existing swimming pools shall have an anti-vortex drain cover.

Exception: Use groups R-3 and R-4

304.3 Street numbers. Each structure to which a street number has been assigned shall have such number displayed in a position easily observed and readable from the public right-of-way. All numbers shall be in Arabic numerals at least four (4) inches high with one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) inch stroke and of contrasting color.

Exception: Existing two (2) inch high with one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) inch stroke in Arabic numerals that are being maintained and are in good condition may remain until replaced.

304.5 Foundation walls. All foundation walls shall be maintained plumb and free from open cracks and breaks and shall be kept in such condition so as to prevent the entry of rats. All cracks that permit the entry of water, insects, or rats or jeopardize the support of the structure shall be repaired. Small cracks that do not exhibit these problems and are three-eighths ($\frac{3}{8}$) of an inch or less shall not be required to be repaired.

304.14 Insect screens. During the period from April 1 to October 15, every door, window and other outside opening utilized or required for ventilation purposes serving any structure containing habitable rooms, food preparation areas, food service areas, or any areas where products to be included or utilized in food for human consumption are processed, manufactured, packaged or stored, shall be supplied with approved tightly fitting screens of no less than sixteen (16) mesh per inch and every swinging door shall have a self-closing device in good working condition.

Exception #1: Screen doors shall not be required for out-swinging doors or other types of openings which make screening impractical, provided other approved means, such as air curtains or insect repellent fans are employed.

Exception #2: Screening is not required for air-conditioned spaces.

Exception #3: Screen doors are not required where there is at least one screened window in the room where the exterior door is located.

304.18.1 Doors. Doors providing access to an individual dwelling unit, rooming unit, or housekeeping unit that is rented, leased or let shall be equipped with a deadbolt lock designed to be readily openable from the side from which egress is to be made without the need for keys, special knowledge or effort and shall have a minimum lock throw of 1 inch (25 mm). Such deadbolt locks shall be installed according to the manufacturer's specifications and maintained in good working order. For the purpose of this section, a sliding bolt shall not be considered an acceptable deadbolt lock.

304.18.1.1 Exception: Doors between dwelling units and fully enclosed attached, garages are not required to have dead bolt locks. All other swinging egress doors from structure are required to have a dead bolt.

309.4 Multiple occupancies. The owner of a structure containing two or more dwelling units, a multiple occupancy, a rooming house or a nonresidential structure shall be responsible for extermination in the public or shared areas of the structure and exterior property. If infestation is caused by failure of an occupant to prevent such infestation in the area occupied, the occupant shall be responsible for extermination.

502.2.1 Exception for Fraternity and Sorority Houses. Fraternity or sorority houses shall have at least one toilet, one lavatory basin, and one bathtub or shower, in good working condition and properly connected to water and sewer systems approved by the code official for each eight (8) persons residing within such fraternity or sorority.

602.3 Heat supply. Every owner and operator of any building who rents, leases or lets one or more dwelling units, rooming units, dormitory or guest rooms on terms, either express or implied, to furnish heat to the occupants thereof shall supply sufficient heat during the period from September 1 to June 1 to maintain the room temperatures specified in Section 602.2 during the hours between 6:30 a.m. and 10:30 p.m. of each day and not less than 60 degrees F. (16 degrees C.) during other hours.

602.4 Nonresidential structures. Insert dates as follows; September 1 to June 1.

702.4.1 Emergency escape. Every sleeping room located in a basement in occupancies of Use Group I-1 or R shall have at least one openable window or exterior door approved for emergency egress or rescue; or shall have access to not less than two approved independent exits. Existing windows in a sleeping room shall not be eliminated.

Exceptions:

1. Buildings equipped throughout with an automatic fire suppression system.
2. Until January 1, 2030, structures that have previously received a certificate of compliance during the three (3) year inspection cycle prior to January 1, 1993 or a certificate of occupancy have been maintained accordingly and comply with the following:
 - a. Smoke detectors shall be installed in all shafts and corridors, on the ceiling or wall outside or within the vicinity of each separate bedroom and on each additional story of the dwelling, including the basements, but not including crawl spaces and uninhabitable attics.
 - b. Smoke detectors described in paragraph a. of this exception shall receive their primary power from the building wiring and when primary power is interrupted, shall receive power from a battery. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than those required for over-current protection.
 - c. All smoke detectors shall be interconnected such that the actuation of one alarm will actuate all the alarms throughout the structure. This exception 2 shall not apply to structures that are renovated,

remodeled or altered in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the current value of the structure.

702.5 Number of exits. In nonresidential buildings, every occupied story more than six (6) stories above grade shall be provided with not less than two (2) independent exits. In residential buildings, every story exceeding two (2) stories above grade shall be provided with not less than two (2) independent exits.

Exceptions: Where any structure has previously received a certificate of compliance during the three (3) year inspection cycle prior to January 1, 1993 or a certificate of occupancy, has been maintained accordingly and complies with one of the following:

1. Buildings equipped throughout with an automatic fire suppression system.
2. Structures that have previously received a certificate of compliance or a certificate of occupancy have been maintained accordingly and comply with the following:
 - a. Smoke detectors shall be installed in all shafts and corridors, on the ceiling or wall outside or within the vicinity of each separate bedroom and on each additional story of the dwelling, including the basements, but not including crawl spaces and uninhabitable attics.
 - b. Smoke detectors shall receive their primary power from the building wiring and when primary power is interrupted, shall receive power from a battery. Wiring shall be permanent and without a disconnecting switch other than those required for over-current protection.
 - c. All smoke detectors shall be interconnected such that the actuation of one alarm will actuate all the alarms throughout the structure. This exception 2 shall not apply to structures that are renovated, remodeled or altered in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the current value of the structure.

702.6 Number of exits in manufactured housing. Every dwelling unit shall have not less than two (2) doors, or not less than one (1) door and one (1) unobstructed emergency exit. One (1) exit shall be located near the front of the dwelling unit and one (1) door shall be located near the rear of the dwelling unit. An emergency exit may be substituted for the rear door when the length of the dwelling unit does not permit or is not sufficient for the use of the two (2) doors. Each door or exit shall be supplied with a properly installed lock.

702.7 Corridor enclosure. All corridors serving an occupant load greater than thirty (30) and the openings therein shall provide an effective barrier to resist the movement of smoke. All transoms, louver, doors, and other openings shall be closed or shall be self-closing.

Exceptions: Where any structure has previously received a certificate of compliance during the three (3) year inspection cycle prior to January 1, 1993 or a

certificate of occupancy, has been maintained accordingly and complies with following:

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 - c. All smoke detectors shall be interconnected such that the actuation of one alarm will actuate all the alarms throughout the structure. This exception 2 shall not apply to structures that are renovated, remodeled or altered in excess of fifty percent (50%) of the current value of the structure.

SECTION 2. The repeal of Article VII of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Columbia, Missouri, relating to the 2018 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code shall not affect any offense or act committed or done or any penalty or forfeiture incurred before the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after October 1, 2026.

PASSED: _____

Mayor and Presiding Officer

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

City Counselor