

Section 350 – Rental Housing Licensing**350.01 Purpose and Scope.**

Subd. 1 Purpose. The purpose of this ordinance is to provide minimum standards to safeguard life or limb, health, and public welfare by regulating and controlling the use and occupancy, maintenance and repair of all buildings and structures within the City used for the purpose of rental housing. The purpose of this ordinance is not to create or otherwise establish or designate any particular class or group of persons who will or should be especially protected or benefited by the terms of this ordinance. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

Subd. 2 Scope. The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to all buildings or portions thereof used, or designed or intended to be rented, leased, or let for human habitation. All provisions of this ordinance shall apply to dwellings in existence at the time of adoption of this ordinance. Rest homes, convalescent homes, nursing homes, hotels, motels, and units rented, let or leased to direct family members of the property owner are exempt from the provisions of this ordinance. *(Amended by Ord.184, 7/10/2006)*

Subd. 3 Application to Existing Buildings. Additions, alterations or repairs, shall be done in compliance with the Building, Fire, Plumbing and Mechanical Codes. Applicable permits shall apply as required by these Codes.

All properties, whether pre-existing as Rental Property at the time of adoption of this ordinance or afterward becoming Rental Property shall comply with all terms of this ordinance. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

350.02 Definitions. Where terms are not defined, they shall have their ordinary accepted meanings within the context with which they are used. Webster's Third New International Dictionary of the English Language, Unabridged, copyright 1986, shall be considered as providing ordinary accepted meanings. Words in the singular include the plural and the plural the singular. Words used in the masculine gender include the feminine and the feminine the masculine. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

Apartment Building. A building or portion of a building that contains three or more dwelling units.

Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals shall be a three-member board consisting of a City Council representative, the Fire Chief, and a Planning Commission representative. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Building Code. "Building Code" is the Minnesota State Building Code.

Code Official. "Code Official" is the official who is charged with the administration and enforcement of this ordinance, or any duly authorized representative.

Condemn. "Condemn" shall mean to adjudge unfit for occupancy.

Direct Family Member. "Direct Family Member" is a parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, step-parent, step-child, step-grandparent, or step-grandchild of the property owner. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Dwelling. "Dwelling" is a building wholly or partly used or intended to be used for living, sleeping, cooking or eating purposes by human occupants; but not including hotels and motels.

Dwelling Unit. “Dwelling Unit” is a room or a group of rooms located within a dwelling forming a single habitable unit with facilities, which are used or intended to be used for living, sleeping, cooking and eating purposes.

Egress. “Egress” is an arrangement of exit facilities to assure a safe means of exit from a building.

Electrical Code. “Electrical Code” is the Minnesota State Electrical Code.

Extermination. “Extermination” is the control and elimination of insects, rodents, or other pests by eliminating their harborage places; by removing or making inaccessible materials that may serve as their food; by poisoning, spraying, fumigating, trapping; or by any other recognized and legal pest elimination method approved by the code official; and to remove all signs of extermination thereafter.

Fire Code. “Fire Code” is the Minnesota State Fire Code.

Health Officer. “Health Officer” is the legally designated health officer or official of the State, County and/or City.

Infestation. “Infestation” is the presence of insects, rodents, or other pests within or around the dwelling on the premises.

Kitchen. “Kitchen” is a room or an area equipped for preparing and cooking food.

Lease, Leased, or Let. “ Lease, Leased, or Let” is to give the use of a dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit by an owner or manager to a tenant in return for rent.

License Period, Year One. The first year of the three-year rental license period, starting in 2013 and occurring every three years thereafter. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

License Period, Year Three. The third year of the three-year rental license period. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Manager. “Manager” is a person or firm who has charge, care or control of a building or part thereof, in which dwelling units or rooming units are let.

Mechanical Code. “Mechanical Code” is the Minnesota State Mechanical Code.

Nuisance. The following shall be defined as nuisances:

- A. Any public nuisance as defined in Chapter 6 of the City Code.
- B. Any attractive nuisance that may prove detrimental to children whether in a building, on the premises of a building or on an unoccupied lot. This includes any abandoned wells, shafts, basements or excavations; abandoned refrigerators and motor vehicles; any structurally unsound fences or structures; or any lumber, trash, fences, debris or vegetation that may prove a hazard for inquisitive minors.
- C. Whatever is dangerous to human life or is detrimental to health, as determined by the code official or health officer.
- D. Overcrowding a room with occupants.
- E. Insufficient ventilation or illumination.
- F. Inadequate or unsanitary sewage or plumbing facilities.

- G. Un-cleanliness, as determined by the health officer.
- H. Whatever renders air, food or drink unwholesome or detrimental to the health of human beings, as determined by the health officer.

Occupancy. “Occupancy” is the purpose for which a building or portion thereof is utilized or occupied.

Occupant. “Occupant” is a person living alone, or two or more persons all related by blood, marriage or adoption, including foster children, occupying and maintaining a common household in a single dwelling unit, or a group of not more than 5 persons, any 2 of whom are not related by blood, marriage or adoption, including foster children, occupying and maintaining a common household in a single dwelling unit.

Owner. “Owner” is a person, firm or corporation who, alone, jointly or severally with others, owns or has an ownership interest in a dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit within the city.

Plumbing Code. “Plumbing Code” is the State of Minnesota Plumbing Code.

Premises. “Premises” are the dwelling and its land and all buildings thereon and areas thereof.

Refuse. “Refuse” is all putrescible and non-putrescible waste solids including garbage and rubbish. Refuse is liable to undergo bacterial decomposition when in contact with air and moisture at normal temperatures.

Rent. “Rent” is a stated return or payment for the temporary possession of a dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit. The return or payment may be money or service or property.

Safety. “Safety” is the condition of being reasonably free from danger and hazards, which may cause injury or illness.

Substandard Building. “Substandard Building” means any rental dwelling or portion thereof that is not safe due to inadequate maintenance, dilapidation, physical damage, unsanitary condition, abandonment or any other reason.

Substandard Property Condition Citation. “Substandard Property Condition Citation” shall be issued in the event of a ‘Substandard Building’ and shall, upon posting of the citation, prohibit the occupancy of the building or unit until such time as corrections are made and verified by inspection. *(Amended by Ord.184, 7/10/2006)*

Tenant. “Tenant” can be a person, corporation, partnership or group, whether or not the legal owner of record, occupying a building or portion thereof as a unit.

Variance. “Variance” is a difference between that which is required or specified and that, which is permitted. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

350.03 Rental Housing License.

Subd. 1 License Required. No person may operate, let, or cause to be let, a rental dwelling unit without first having obtained a rental housing license from the City as hereinafter provided. Further, no owner or manager shall allow the occupancy of a rental dwelling unit by a tenant after the

expiration of the rental housing license for the rental dwelling in which the rental dwelling unit is located unless the license has been properly renewed. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

- A. **Temporary License.** The code official may issue a temporary rental housing license not exceeding 3 months in duration in order to bring the unit into compliance with this ordinance. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*
- B. **Licensing Period.** The licensing period shall encompass ~~two~~ three calendar years. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 2 Application contents. Owners of one or more rental dwelling units who have not yet received a license are responsible for applying to the City for a license. With the application the owner must supply the following information:

- A. Name, address, and telephone number of dwelling owner, owning partners if a partnership, or corporate officers if a corporation;
- B. Name, address, and telephone number of designated resident agent, if applicable;
- C. Legal address of the dwelling;
- D. Number of dwelling units with the dwelling;
- E. At least one emergency telephone number;
- F. The names, telephone numbers and addresses of principal tenants
(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)

Subd. 3 Fees.

- A. **Inspection Fee.** A Rental Housing License-inspection fee shall be established by the City Council. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*
- B. **Additional Fees.** The City shall have the right, and just cause, to bill or to assess owner for additional costs associated with:
 - 1. Required additional follow up Rental Inspections, beyond the prescribed number allowed, for a single Rental Inspection cycle.
 - 2. Failure of the responsible party to appear for a scheduled inspection without prior notification of the inspector.
 - 3. After hours, weekend or holiday inspections. *(Amended by Ord.184, 7/10/2006)*
 - 4. Complaint Inspections *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 4 Rental Dwelling Inspections No license may be issued or renewed unless the City determines, following an inspection conducted pursuant to this section, that rental dwelling unit(s) conform to the provisions of this Section 350. As more specifically provided below, the code official and his or her agents may cause inspections, follow-up inspections, and reinspections on rental dwelling units within the city on a scheduled basis, and on rental dwelling units when reason exists to believe that a violation of an applicable subdivision of this Section 350 exists, has been, or is being committed. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

- A. **Consent.** The code official and his or her agents are authorized to contact owners, tenants and/or managers of rental dwellings to schedule inspections of rental dwellings at reasonable times. If the City is unsuccessful in securing consent for an inspection pursuant to this Section 350, the City shall seek permission, from a judicial officer through an administrative warrant, for its enforcement officer or his or her agents to conduct an inspection. Nothing in

this Section shall limit or constrain the authority of the judicial officer to condition or limit the scope of the administrative warrant. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

- B. Inspections not Required.** Inspection for the issuance or renewal of a license may be waived by the City if the owner of a dwelling unit:
1. Proves that within the previous 12 months the dwelling unit(s) passed an inspection required by the County, State, or Federal regulations that is at least as stringent as the inspection required under this Section 350.
 2. Has, within the 12 months preceding the licensing period deadline as defined in Subd. 6 below, applied for and received a rental dwelling license from the city. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 5 Issuance. The code official shall issue a rental housing license for each dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit, when upon inspection finds such unit meets or exceeds the minimum requirements set forth by this ordinance; also a rental housing license shall be issued for each dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit, when a variance has been granted by the Board of Appeals, pursuant to Section 350.06 of this Chapter; provided, however, it is found that no condition exists, in a shared or public area of the building or in any other part of the unit, which could endanger the health or safety of the occupants of such unit or of the public. Such license shall show the number of occupants for which the dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit is approved for and once issued shall remain valid until it expires or such time as the code official or housing inspector determines that the dwelling, dwelling unit or rooming unit does not meet the minimum requirements set by this ordinance. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

Subd. 6 Licensing period Deadline. The licensing period deadline shall be January 1 of the Year-One License Period. All properties required to be licensed by this Ordinance shall have applied for licensing with the City Office, shall have paid the required fee or fees, and shall have satisfactorily completed the required Rental Housing Inspection by the deadline date. Failure to comply with this section may result in fines and/or denial of a Rental Housing License for the property in violation. *(Amended by Ord.184, 7/10/2006)*

Subd. 7 Renewals. A rental housing license shall expire December 31 of the Year-~~Two~~ Three License Period. Re-inspection of all dwellings, dwelling units or rooming units shall be required prior to issuance of a new certificate, pursuant to Subd. 4 above. In order to allow sufficient time to complete the renewal process, applications for licenses shall be made in writing on forms provided by the City and accompanied by the required fee at least sixty (60) days prior to the licensing period deadline. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 8 License and Inspection Report Posting. Every registrant of a rental dwelling shall post the license issued by the City. The license shall be conspicuously posted (in a frame with a glass covering) by the registrant, in a public corridor, hallway, or lobby of the rental dwelling for which they are issued. In addition to posting the license, the owner shall post the inspection report completed for the license renewal or any complaint inspection next to the posting of the rental license for a period of 30-days after receipt of the license.

Subd. 9 Transfer of Rental Property. A license is not transferable to another person or to another rental dwelling. Every person holding a license must give notice in writing to the city within 72 hours after having legally transferred or otherwise disposed of the legal control of any rental dwelling. The notice must include the name and address of the person(s) succeeding to the ownership or control of such rental dwelling(s). The person succeeding to the ownership or control of the rental dwelling(s)

must obtain a temporary permit or operating license in order to continue operating the rental dwelling(s). An inspection is not required to obtain this temporary permit or license unless the rental dwelling(s) have not been inspected within two years of the transfer of ownership or control. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 10 Revocation. A Rental Housing License may be suspended or revoked as prescribed in this ordinance.

- A. A rental housing license may be suspended or revoked by the City Council if the City Council finds that the provisions of this ordinance have been violated in regard to the rental dwelling for which the license was issued. Before any suspension or revocation occurs, the City shall send written notice to the license holder specifying the ordinance violations alleged. This notice shall also specify the date for a hearing before the Board of Appeals, which shall not be less than ten (10) days from the date of the notice.
- B. At such hearing before the Board of Appeals, the license holder or their attorneys may submit and present witnesses on their behalf.
- C. After a hearing, the City Council shall act upon the Board of Appeals recommendation at the next available meeting and may suspend or revoke the license if the Council deems it necessary to protect public health, safety or general welfare. *(Amended by Ord.222, 8/16/10)*

350.04 Requirements.

Subd. 1. Substandard Buildings. No substandard buildings are allowed.

Subd. 2. Condition. No owner or manager shall allow infestation if extermination is not the tenant's responsibility by law.

Subd. 3. Improper Occupancy. No rental dwelling shall be used in manner inconsistent with its design or construction.

Subd. 4. Smoke Detectors. No smoke detector installed in a rental dwelling shall be allowed to remain disabled or nonfunctional. The tenant of a rental dwelling shall notify the owner or manager within 24 hours of discovering that a detector is disabled or not functioning. The owner or manager shall take immediate action to render the smoke detector operational or replace it.

Subd. 5. Carbon Monoxide Alarms. Each rental dwelling shall have an approved and operational carbon monoxide alarm installed with ten feet of each room used for sleeping purposes as required by Minnesota Statutes §§ 299F.50 and 51, as amended, unless an exception listed in Section 299F.51, Subd. 5, applies.

Subd. 6. Refuse. Each rental dwelling shall have an adequate number of refuse containers to hold the amount of refuse produced by the occupants of the rental dwelling or as required elsewhere by the Waconia Code. Containers shall be rodent and animal proof plastic, fiberglass or rust resistant metal with a tight fitting cover. Tenants shall properly dispose of their recyclables, rubbish, garbage and other organic waste.

Subd. 7. Nuisance. No rental dwelling premise shall be kept in any state which creates a nuisance.

Subd. 8. Storage of Items. Large amounts of combustible items and materials shall not be stored in attics, basements, common areas, or any other underutilized areas of a rental dwelling. Storage shall

be maintained two (2) feet or more below ceilings and floor joists. Combustible materials and items shall not be stored within one (1) foot of any fuel burning appliances. Storage of items shall be orderly and shall not block or obstruct exits. A minimum three (3) foot wide aisle shall be maintained to all exits, furnaces, water heaters, water meters, gas meters or other equipment serving the rental dwelling.

Subd. 9. Fuel Storage. LP tanks shall only be stored outdoors.

Subd. 10. Fueled Equipment. Fueled equipment including, but not limited to, motorcycles, mopeds, lawn-care equipment and portable cooking equipment shall only be stored outdoors or in the garage of a rental dwelling.

Subd. 11. Barbecues and Open Flames. No person shall kindle, maintain, or cause any fire or open flame on any balcony above ground level, on any roof, or on any ground floor patio within 15 feet of any structure. Further, no person shall store or use any fuel, barbecue, torch, or similar heating or lighting chemicals or device in such locations.

Subd. 12. Sidewalks and Driveways. All sidewalks, walkways, stairs, driveways, parking spaces and similar areas on a premises shall be kept in a proper state of repair and maintained free from hazardous conditions.

Subd. 13. Defacement of Property. If a rental dwelling is defaced by graffiti, it shall promptly be removed.

350.05 Enforcement.

Subd. 1 Authority. The building official is hereby authorized and directed to enforce or cause the enforcement of all of the provisions of this ordinance. For such purposes, the building official or his/her designated representative shall have the powers of a code official. The code official shall have the power to render interpretations of this ordinance. Such interpretations shall be in conformity with the intent and purpose of this ordinance. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

Subd. 2 Responsibilities Defined. Property owners remain liable for violations of duties imposed by this ordinance even if the owner has, by agreement, imposed on the occupant the duty of furnishing required equipment or of complying with this ordinance. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

- A. Buildings and structures and parts thereof shall be maintained in a safe and sanitary condition. The owner or the owner's designated agent shall be responsible for such maintenance. To determine compliance with this subsection, the building may be re-inspected.
- B. Owners, in addition to being responsible for maintaining buildings in a sound structural condition, shall be responsible for keeping that part of the building or premises which the owner occupies or controls in a clean, sanitary and safe condition, including the shared or public areas in a building containing two or more dwelling units.
- C. Owners shall, when required by this ordinance, health laws or the health officer, furnish and maintain such approved sanitary facilities as required, and shall furnish and maintain approved devices, equipment or facilities for the prevention of insect and rodent infestation, and when infestation has taken place, shall be responsible for any insects, rodents or other pests when such extermination is not specifically made the responsibility of the occupant by law or ruling. *(Amended by Ord 161, 9/27/04)*

Subd. 3 Right of Entry. When it is necessary to make an inspection to enforce the provisions of this ordinance, or when the code official has reasonable cause to believe that there exists in a building or upon a premises a condition that is contrary to or in violation of this ordinance, the code official may enter the building or premises at reasonable times to inspect or to perform the duties imposed by this ordinance, provided that if such building or premises are occupied that credentials be presented to the occupant and entry requested. If such building or premises is unoccupied, the code official shall first make a reasonable effort to locate the owner or other person having charge or control of the building or premises and request entry. If entry is refused, the code official shall have recourse to the remedies provided by law to secure entry, pursuant to Section 350.04, Subd. 4.A. of this Chapter. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

Subd. 4 Complaint Inspections. When the code official or a health officer has reasonable cause to believe that a condition exists in regards to a rental dwelling or premises that violates this ordinance including, but not limited to, a written tenant complaint made in good faith, the code official or health officer may enter the rental dwelling to inspect, re-inspect, or otherwise perform the duties imposed by this ordinance. No such entry shall be made, however, until: i) the owner, manager or tenant permits entry; ii) the code official or health officer secures an administrative warrant from a court with jurisdiction; or iii) an emergency exists.

Subd. 5 Compliance Order. Upon completion of a complaint inspection and finding of a violation(s), the code official shall prepare a compliance order, listing all violations and the date or dates when such violations shall be corrected. The property owner shall have the responsibility to correct such alleged violations and have them re-inspected and verified by the Code Official for compliance with this Ordinance within the time period as set forth:

- A. Smoke Detector Violations. Corrections must be completed immediately and re-inspected within three (3) working days.
- B. All Other Violations. Preparations for the actual work for correcting the alleged violations shall be commenced immediately and work re-inspected within twenty-five (25) working days OR within the time period as specified by the Code Official.
- C. Follow-Up Inspection. Upon completion of the second follow up inspection:
 1. If the infraction(s) have been satisfactorily addressed or corrected the City will, at its discretion, levy a reinspection fee to cover the cost of the second follow up inspection. The fee will be set by the City Council.
 2. If the infractions remain, the following penalties shall be imposed upon the property owner(s) if the alleged violations are not corrected and verified by the Code Official within the time period allowed by this Ordinance:
 - a. A \$50.00 fine.
 - b. The assessment of \$5.00 per day, each and every day thereafter until a satisfactory follow up inspection is conducted.
 3. The \$50.00 fine and subsequent \$5.00 per day assessment must be paid in full to the city within 14 days of the satisfactory follow up inspection or, pursuant to Section 350.04 Subd 10, the City of Norwood Young America shall have the right and just cause to revoke or deny licensing the property as Rental Housing Property.
 4. The property owner or agent shall be notified in writing of Section 350.06, indicating his or her right of appeal. *(Amended by Ord.184, 7/10/2006)*

- D. Extensions. Extensions may be granted by the Code Official. The request shall be made in writing and justifiable cause must be demonstrated for the requested extension. All requests shall be made and delivered to the Code Official prior to the expiration date of the violation or violations.

Subd. 6 Substandard Property Condition.

- A. When, during the course of a Rental Housing Inspection or complaint investigation, the code official encounters or observes a condition or conditions that are considered dangerous to life, safety, health, or the welfare of the occupants, the inspector shall, if the situation warrants, issue a Substandard Property Condition Citation.
- B. Prior to, or immediately after, the issuance of the Substandard Property Condition Citation, the code official will be required to notify the City of the posting and the reason for the posting.
- C. The code official shall have the authority to require immediate evacuation of the premises in the event of immediate danger to life or safety.
- D. The removal or defacing of, or tampering with, a Substandard Property Condition Citation posting shall be punishable as a criminal offense and subject to the provisions of State Statutes regulating misdemeanors and as outlined in this ordinance.
- E. The Property shall remain unoccupied until such time as the condition is, or conditions are, corrected and satisfactorily reinspected. *(Amended by Ord. 184, 7/10/2006)*

Subd. 7 Substandard Buildings. Buildings or portions thereof that are determined to be substandard as defined in this ordinance are hereby declared to be public nuisances and shall be abated by repair, rehabilitation, demolition or removal, pursuant to Chapter 6, Nuisances, of the Norwood Young America City Code.

Subd. 8 Notice to Vacate. The code official shall have the authority to issue a NOTICE TO VACATE order on any building that is, in the opinion of the code official and as defined in this ordinance, deemed substandard. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

350.06 Appeals.

Subd. 1 Appeal. Any person may appeal from any notice and order or any action of the code official under this ordinance by filing an appeal to the City Administrator. A written appeal to the City a brief statement in ordinary and concise language of that specific order or action protested, together with any material facts claimed to support the contentions of the appellant. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

Subd. 2 Time Allotted for Appeal. The appeal shall be filed within 10 days or within the time of correction as allowed by the code official, whichever is shorter, from the date of the service of such order or action of the code official. *(Amended by Ord.161, 9/27/04)*

Subd. 3 Scheduling and Noticing Appeal for Hearing. In the event that an appeal is filed with the City Administrator, the Board of Appeals shall fix a date for a hearing, which shall be held within ten (10) business days from the date the appeal is filed. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 4 Notice. The City Administrator shall mail a notice of the date, time, place and subject of the hearing to the owner, occupant(s) and any other known responsible parties. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 5 Orders after an Appeal. Following a hearing, any order of the Board of Appeals made pursuant to this ordinance shall be forwarded to the City Council who shall act upon the Board of Appeals recommendation at its next available meeting. The City Council shall issue a decision in writing to the appealing party within 10 days of the hearing. Any fines or penalties imposed must be paid no later than 30 days of the date of the order. The decision of the City Council is final and may only be appealed to the Minnesota Court of Appeals by petitioning for a writ of certiorari pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 606.01.

350.07 Violation and Penalties.

Subd. 1 Administrative Charge. Failure to obtain a license pursuant to this Section 350 will subject the owner of a dwelling unit to an administrative service charge up to \$250 per unit, plus \$10 per unit per day each and every day thereafter until a license is obtained. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 2 Violation. Any person that maintains a rental dwelling unit without having either a valid temporary permit or a valid license, or permits new occupancy in violation of this Section 350, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction is subject to a fine and imprisonment as prescribed by state law. In addition to, or in lieu of, charging a misdemeanor, the City may impose an administrative fee in an amount set in the City Fee Schedule. An administrative fee may be appealed pursuant to Subsection 350.06 of this Section. Upon the failure to appeal an administrative fee within the period established in Subsection 350.06 of this Section, the City may post the dwelling unit as illegal for habitation. Thereafter, all persons must vacate the premise and the dwelling unit may not be occupied by anyone other than the primary homestead owner and that person's immediate family until (a) the administrative fee has been paid and (b) a rental license is obtained or the City is satisfied that the dwelling unit will not be used as a rental dwelling unit. Each day of each violation constitutes a separate offense. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*

Subd. 3 Assessment of Unpaid Fees. Any fees imposed under the authorization of Section 350 shall be paid in full. In the event of non-payment, the City Clerk may certify the entire unpaid amount and any penalty to the County Auditor to levy the charges in the same manner as special assessments against the real estate involved, or the real estate of the person or entity responsible for the fee. *(Amended by Ord. 222, 8/16/10)*