Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF NEVADA, County of Washoe-SS. Mary Hefling being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Record Clerk of The SPARKS TRIBUNE, a weekly newspaper, published in Sparks, Washoe County, Nevada; that he has charge of and knows the advertising appearing in said newspaper, and the Notice of County Ordinance Ordinance No. 348 of which a copy is hereunto attached, was first published in said newspaper in its issue dated August 24, 1977 and was published in each of the following issues thereafter: the date of the last publication being in the issue Subscribed and sworn to before me this, the 31st day of August , 19 77. Notary Public in and for the County of Machoe, State of Nevada. My Commission expires: October 25, 1980 LORETTA DICKERSON Notary Public - State of Nevada

Douglas County My Commission Expires Oct. 25, 1980



Notice is hereby given that Bill No. 517, Ordinance No. 348, amending Ordinance No. 193, entitled "An Ordinance of the County of Washoe providing minimum standards to safeguard life, health, property and public welfare by regulating the storage, use and handling of dangerous and hazardous materials, substances, devices and processes, by regulating the maintenance of buildings and equipment, by providing for weed abatement and control, by providing for the administration and enforcement of such requirements, prescribing penalties for violations thereot, and other matters properly ralating therefor by adopting the 1976 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code and Volumes 1 through 16 of the 1977 Edition of the National Fire Protection Codes and emending Exhibit "A" of Washoe County Ordinance No. 193 to make the same applicable to conditions in the County of Washoe was adopted on August 16, 1977 by Commissioners Scott, Nelson, Rusk, Gaunt and Farr all voting aye.

Typewritten copies of the Ordinance are available for inspection by all interested persons at the office of the County Clerk.

(s): Alex Coon

ALEX COON, COUNTY CLERK

Pub.: Aug. 24, 31, 1977. Sparks Tribune No. 76699.

SUMMARY:

Amends Washoe County Ordinance No. 193 by the adoption of the 1976 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code and Volumes 1 through 16 of the 1977 Edition of the National Fire Protection Codes and amends Exhibit "A" of Washoe County Ordinance No. 193 to make the same applicable to conditions in the County of Washoe.

BILL NO. 517

ORDINANCE NO. 348

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING "AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE PROVIDING MINIMUM STANDARDS TO SAFEGUARD LIFE, HEALTH, PROPERTY AND PUBLIC WELFARE BY REGULATING THE STORAGE, USE AND HANDLING OF DANGEROUS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, SUBSTANCES, DEVICES AND PROCESSES, BY REGULATING THE MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND EQUIPMENT, BY PROVIDING FOR WEED ABATEMENT AND CONTROL, BY PROVIDING FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT OF SUCH REQUIREMENTS, PRESCRIBING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF, AND OTHER MATTERS PROPERLY RELATING THERETO" BY ADOPTING THE 1976 EDITION OF THE UNIFORM FIRE CODE AND VOLUMES 1 THROUGH 16 OF THE 1977 EDITION OF THE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION CODES AND AMENDING EXHIBIT "A" OF WASHOE COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 193 TO MAKE THE SAME APPLICABLE TO CONDITIONS IN THE COUNTY OF WASHOE.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF WASHOE DO ORDAIN:

SECTION 1.
Section 1 of Washoe County Ordinance No. 193 is hereby amended to read as follows:

The 1976 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code, approved by the Western Fire Chiefs' Association and the International Conference of Building Officials, a copy of which is placed on file in the Office of the County Clerk of Washoe County, Nevada, together with Volumes 1 through 16 of the 1977 Edition of the National Fire Protection Codes published by the National Fire Protection Association, a copy of which is placed on file in the Office of the County Clerk of Washoe County, Nevada, together with such changes as are necessary to make the same applicable to conditions in the County of Washoe and such other changes as are desirable, which changes are contained in that document marked Exhibit "A", attached hereto, shall be, and hereby are adopted by reference, incorporated herein and made a part hereof, and shall regulate all matters contained therein.

SECTION 2. Exhibit "A" of Washoe County Ordinance No. 193 is hereby amended to read as follows:

EXHIBIT "A"

The Uniform Fire Code shall be enforced in the unincorporated areas of Washoe County which do not lie within an organized fire protection district by that person or entity the Board of County Commissioners of Washoe County, Nevada shall designate by contract or otherwise. In the unincorporated areas of Washoe County not lying within an organized fire protection district, the person or entity so designated by the Board of County Commissioners, and his or its authorized representatives, shall be the "fire chief" or "chief" as those terms and like terms are used in the 1976 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code. The Uniform Fire Code shall be enforced in the areas of Washoe County which lie within the boundaries of an organized fire protection district by the fire protection district. In those areas of Washoe County lying within the boundaries of an organized fire protection district, the fire chief of such district or his authorized representatives shall be the "fire chief" or "chief" as those terms and like terms are used in the 1976 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code. All references in the Uniform Fire Code to "municipality," "city" and the like shall be construed to mean the County of Washoe. Wherever the word "jurisdiction" is used in the Uniform Fire Code, it shall be held to mean the unincorporated area of the County of Washoe, State of Nevada.

The following changes, additions and deletions in the 1976 Edition of the Uniform Fire Code are hereby incorporated into the provisions of said Code and this Ordinance:

SECTION 1.202 RULES AND REGULATIONS -- Amended to read as follows:

- (a) The Chief, with the approval of the Administrator, is authorized to make and enforce such rules and regulations for the prevention and control of fires and fire hazards as may be necessary from time to time to carry out the intent of this Code. Three certified copies of such rules and regulations shall be filed with the Clerk of the jurisdiction and shall be in effect immediately thereafter and additional copies shall be kept in the office of the Fire Department for distribution to the public.
- (b) The Washoe County Air Pollution Control Regulations shall take precedence over those provisions of the Uniform Fire Code, Ordinance No. 193, that relate to the issuance and enforcement of burning permits for open fires. All permits for open burning shall be issued by the Control Officer of the Washoe County District Health Department, or his designee, pursuant to said Air Pollution Regulations.

SECTION 1.207 INSPECTIONS AND UNSAFE BUILDINGS -- Add the following paragraph:

(c) No change shall be made in the ownership, tenant, or character of use of any building unless such building is made to comply with reasonable fire and safety standards as approved by the Fire Department.

SECTION 1.210 ORDERS, NOTICES AND TAGS -- Add the following paragraphs:

(c) Whenever the Chief or his duly authorized

representative shall find a fire hazard or a public nuisance as defined herein existing on any vacant lot, sidewalk, parkway or other property, public or private, the Chief Building and Safety Inspector and/or his authorized representative may, in addition to any other procedure provided herein, cause a NOTICE OF CITATION to be issued to abate such nuisance or fire hazard. Said NOTICE OF CITATION shall be in legible characters and set forth the specific section of the Fire Code which is being violated and direct the abatement of the nuisance of fire hazard within a specified time from the date of service not to exceed ten (10) days.

(d) It shall be the duty of the owner, the agent of the owner, or person in possession of any lot or premises upon which the NOTICE OF CITATION has been served to remove such nuisance or fire hazard within the time specified. If the person, firm or corporation shall fail or neglect to remove or abate the nuisance or fire hazard within the time specified, the Chief Building and Safety Inspector or his authorized representative shall cause such nuisance to be abated by issuing to the party or parties in violation a citation to appear before any justice court within the County of Washoe or, in the alternative, refer notice of such violation or violations to the Office of the District Attorney for the commencement of action or actions for the abatement, removal, and enjoinment of such violations as a public nuisance or criminal action in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 1.211 SERVICE OF ORDERS AND NOTICES -- Add the following paragraph:

Any CITATION or NOTICE OF CITATION authorized or required by this Code shall be served by one of the following methods:

- (a) By personal service thereof upon the owner, occupant or other person in charge and control of the property.
- (b) By mailing said notice by registered mail addressed to the owner or person in charge and control of the property at the address shown on the last available assessment roll.
- (c) By posting said notice at a conspicuous place on the property or abutting public right-of-way.
- (d) By placing an advertisement at least once a week for a period of two weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in the County of Washoe. Said newspaper advertisement shall be a general notice that the property in the County of Washoe has been posted in accordance with this Chapter and shall contain a

general statement of the effect of such posting. The date of such newspaper advertisement shall not be considered in computing the appeal periods provided by this Chapter.

SECTION 1.212 COMPLIANCE -- Amend to read as follows:

(a) Any person, firm or corporation operating or maintaining any occupancy, premises or vehicle subject to this Code who shall permit any fire hazard or public nuisance to exist on the premises under his control or who shall fail to take immediate action to abate a fire hazard or public nuisance when ordered, notified or cited to do so by the Chief or his duly authorized representative, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and all procedures herein provided for the enforcement of this Code shall be applicable.

Subsections (b), (c) and (d) remain the same.

- (e) Abatement. All remedies provided for herein shall be cumulative and not exclusive. The conviction and punishment of any person hereunder shall not relieve such person from the responsibilities for correcting prohibited conditions, nor shall such prevent the enforced correction or removal thereof. Any court or magistrate before whom there may be pending any proceedings for a violation of this Ordinance may, in addition to any fine or other punishment which it may impose, order such nuisance to be abated. The court or magistrate shall order the Chief Building and Safety Inspector to put out bids for the abatement of the nuisance or fire hazard or to undertake abatement using county personnel.
- Alternate method of compliance Abatement by County. If the party adversely affected by this Chapter fails or neglects to remove the nuisance or fire hazard, as defined in this Chapter, other than an unsafe building as provided in Section 1.207, within the time specified in this Chapter, the Chief Building and Safety Inspector may cause such nuisance to be abated. The abatement may be done by County crews or by private contractors as determined by the Director of the Public Works Department. A report of the proceedings and an accurate account of the cost of abating the nuisance on each separate property shall be filed with the Director of Public Works.
- (g) When any abatement work is to be done pursuant to this Code, the Building Official shall issue his order therefor to the Director of Public Works and the work shall be accomplished by County personnel or by private contract under the direction of said Public Works Director.

- (h) Cost of abatement. Whenever any abatement work is done pursuant to this Code, the cost of such abatement shall be paid and recovered in the following manner:
 - 1. The Director of Public Works shall keep an itemized account of the expenses incurred in the abatement of the nuisance or fire hazard. Upon completion of the work, said Director shall prepare and file with the County Clerk a report specifying the work done, the itemized and total cost of the work, a description of the real property upon which the nuisance or hazard occurred or was located, and the names and addresses of persons entitled to notice pursuant to this subsection.
 - Upon receipt of said report, the County Clerk shall present it to the County Commissioners for consideration. The County Commissioners shall fix a time, date and place for hearing said report. The County Clerk shall cause notice of said hearing to be posted upon the property involved, published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the County and served by certified mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the owner of the property as his name and address appears on the last assessment roll of the County if such so appears, or as known to the Clerk. Such notice shall be given at least ten (10) days prior to the date set for the hearing, and shall specify the day, hour, and place when the Commissioners will hear and pass upon the Director's report together with any objections or protests which may be filed as hereinafter provided by any person interested in or affected by the proposed change.
 - 3. Upon the day and hour for the hearing, the County Commissioners shall hear and pass upon the report of the Director together with any such objections and protests. The Commission may make such revisions, corrections, or modifications in the report or the charge as it may deem just, and when the Commission is satisfied with the correctness of the charge, the report, together with the charge, shall be confirmed or rejected. The decision of the County Commissioners on the report and the charge and on all protests or objections shall be final and conclusive.
 - 4. The Commission may thereupon order that said charge shall be made a personal obligation of the property owner or assess said charges against the property involved.

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- i. Personal Obligation. If the Commission orders that the charge shall be a personal obligation of the property owner, it shall direct the District Attorney to collect the same on behalf of the County by use of all appropriate legal remedies.
- ii. If the Commission orders that the charge shall be assessed against the property, it shall confirm the assessment and cause the same to be recorded on the assessment roll and thereafter said assessment shall constitute a special assessment against and a lien upon the property.
- 5. The Commission, in its discretion, may determine that assessments in amounts of \$500.00 or more shall be payable in annual installments not to exceed five equal annual installments. The Commission's determination to allow payments of such assessments in installments, the number of installments, whether they shall bear interest, and the rate thereof, shall be by a resolution adopted prior to the confirmation of the assessment.
- Immediately upon it being placed on the 6. assessment roll, the assessment shall be deemed to be complete. The several amounts assessed shall be payable and the assessments shall be liens against the lots or parcels of land assessed against the lots or parcels of land assessed respectively. The lien shall be subordinate to all existing special assessment liens previously imposed upon the same property and shall be paramount to all other liens except for state, county, and municipal taxes with which it shall be upon a parity. The lien shall continue until the assessment and all interest due and payable thereon be paid. All such assessments remaining unpaid after thirty days from the date of recording on the assessment roll shall become delinquent and shall bear interest at the rate of seven percent per annum from and after said date.
- 7. After confirmation of the report, certified copies of the assessment shall be given to the County Assessor and the County Tax Collector who shall add the amount of the assessment to the next regular tax bill levied against the parcel for County purposes.
- 8. The amount of the assessment shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as County ad valorem property taxes are collected and shall be

subject to the same penalties and the procedure and sale in cases of delinquency as provided for such County taxes. All laws applicable to the levy, collection, and enforcement of County property taxes shall be applicable to such assessments. If the Commission has determined that the assessment shall be paid in installments each installment and any interest thereon shall be collected in the same manner as ordinary County property taxes in successive years. If any installment is delinquent, the amount thereof is subject to the same penalties and procedure for sale as provided for ordinary County property taxes.

9. All money recovered by payment of the charge or assessment or from the sale of the property at foreclosure sale shall be paid to the County Treasurer who shall credit the same to the Repair and Demolition Fund.

SECTION 1.301 PERMITS -- Add the following paragraph:

(c) All permits issued pursuant to this Code shall be valid for a period of one (1) year from the date of issuance unless another period of time is specifically designated in said permit. Unless otherwise specifically designated, all permits must be renewed and a new application therefor filed annually.

SECTION 1.402 DEFINITIONS -- Add the following paragraphs:

Sec. 1.408 FIRE HAZARD -- Add the following paragraphs:

A fire hazard shall include the existence of weeds, dry grass, dead trees, tin cans, abandoned autos and auto bodies, asphalt or concrete, rubbish, refuse or waste material of any kind upon any sidewalk, vacant lot, parkway or other property, both public and private, and the same is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, the removal of which is necessary for fire protection and prevention and to protect the health and safety of the surrounding inhabitants.

Cultivated and useful grasses and pastures shall not be declared a public nuisance or fire hazard except that if the Chief Building and Safety Inspector or his authorized representative shall determine it to be necessary to protect adjacent improved property from fire exposure, an adequate firebreak may be required as specified in Appendix E, Section 16, Subparagraph (a)1, and if said requirement is not observed within seven (7) days of notice of same, said grasses and pastures shall be deemed a nuisance and fire hazard.

Sec. 1.418 PUBLIC NUISANCE -- Add the following paragraph:

Public nuisance shall include all fire hazards as defined herein.

SECTION 13.301 INSTALLATION -- Amend paragraph (b) to read as follows:

(b) Existing buildings: In occupancies of an especially hazardous nature, or where special hazards exist in addition to the normal hazard of the occupancy, or where access for fire apparatus is unduly difficult, additional safeguards may be required consisting of additional fire appliance units, more than one type of appliance, or special systems suitable for the protection of the hazard involved. Such devices or appliances may consist of automatic fire alarm systems, automatic sprinkler or water spray systems, standpipe and hose, fixed or portable fire extinguishers, suitable asbestos blankets, breathing apparatus, manual or automatic covers, or carbon dioxide, foam or other special fire-extinguishing systems. Where such systems are installed, they shall be in accordance with the applicable standards of the National Fire Protection Association.

SECTION 13.301 INSTALLATION -- Amend by adding the following paragraphs:

(f) Fire Hydrant Specifications.

Specific Specifications: This specification covers fire hydrants for the unincorporated area of Washoe County. All hydrants shall be as follows: the size of valve opening shall be five (5) inch with two (2) two and one-half (2-1/2) inch N.S.T. (national standard thread) nozzles, one large pumper nozzle shall meet Reno/Sparks thread specifications. The inlet connection shall be six (6) inch size and the operating nut one and three-sixteenth (1-3/16) inch pentagon, open to the left. Hydrants shall be painted chrome yellow or as directed by the Fire District. Hydrant bury shall be as directed.

General Specifications: Fire hydrants shall be of the compression type with the valve closing with the pressure. All hydrants shall be in accordance with the latest specifications of the American Water Works Association. All parts entering into the manufacture of the hydrants shall be accurately machined to gauges so that all similar parts will be interchangeable. All fire hydrants shall be nonfreezing and self-draining.

Make: Fire hydrants shall be the five (5) inch A-24123 or A-419 type, as manufactured by the Mueller Company, or approved equal by the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Fire Chief.

Details of Construction: The top of the hydrant shall be constructed so that the operating threads are immersed in an oil reservoir. The oil reservoir shall be sealed at both top and bottom by "O" rings to prevent oil or water leakage. The bonnet assembly shall be unitized and flanged to the top barrel for easy removal as one unit without disassembly or loss of lubricant in the field. The main valve opening shall be controlled with a positive stop built into the bonnet assembly. The hydrant shall be of the safety ground flange design at a point two (2) inches above the ground line. In the event of a traffic accident, the barrel will not become broken, nor the main operating stem become broken or bent, which parts shall be easily and quickly replaced. The safety flange design shall be constructed to insure more accurate control of impact stresses and eliminate the uncertainties of frangible bolt and lug designs such as corrosion and varying bolt strength. The drain valves shall be bronzed to bronzed seat with quad-ring seals. The bronze shoe bushing shall be locked in the shoe and constructed to eliminate removal with the seat ring. The design shall permit full 360 degree rotation in any desired position. Hydrants shall be constructed for lengthening or making repairs without the necessity of digging.

Testing: All fire hydrants shall be watertight when subjected to a hydraulic pressure test of three hundred (300) pounds per square inch. This test shall be applied with the valve closed and with the valve open.

(g) Hydrant Spacing.

Commercial Areas: Fire hydrants shall be placed every three hundred (300) feet distance, measured by use of improved streets.

Residential Areas: A residence must not be more than five hundred (500) feet from a fire hydrant measured by improved street, nor more than one thousand (1,000) feet by improved street from one hydrant to the next.

(h) Water Flow.

Commercial Areas: As provided in Section 13.301 (a), (b), and (c), the Chief of the Fire District shall designate the required fire flow for a given building or area.

The "Guide for Determination of Required Fire Flow" published by the Insurance Services Office may be used to determine fire flow requirements.

Residential Areas: In a residential area where fire hydrants are placed, the fire hydrant shall deliver a minimum of one

thousand (1,000) gallons per minute at a minimum of twenty (20) pounds residual for a minimum of a two (2) hour period.

SECTION 13.302 MAINTENANCE -- Add the following paragraphs:

- (c) It shall be unlawful for any owner or occupant to reduce the effectiveness of the protection furnished; provided, this shall not prohibit the owner or occupant from temporarily reducing or discounting the protection where necessary to make tests, repairs, alterations or additions. The Chief shall be notified before such tests, repairs, alterations or additions are started unless the work is to be continuous until completion.
- (d) All buildings five (5) stories or more than sixty-five (65) feet in height shall have a standby generator for emergency lighting and shall be so arranged to maintain the required means of egress illumination automatically and there shall be provided at least one (1) elevator in each bank available for the fire department in the event of failure of public utility electric service or other outside source of energy, or due to any fault within the building.

SECTION 13.314 BASEMENT PIPE INLETS -- Add the following paragraph:

Sprinkler systems required in basements used for storage: All basements, cellars and subcellars exceeding two thousand (2,000) square feet in area within enclosing masonry walls and used for the storage, sale, manufacture or handling of materials which, in the opinion of the Chief, are of a highly combustible or hazardous nature, shall be equipped with a standard wet pipe system of automatic sprinklers and with supply from city water mains or other suitable source of supply. Where adequate heat is not provided, such systems may be omitted if, in the opinion of the Chief, the hazard is not severe; provided, that such places shall be equipped with a suitable dry sprinkler system with a fire department connection on the building front, or with suitable cellar flooding holes properly distributed in the first floor of the building, or with an approved standpipe system with fire department connection on the street and control devices so located and arranged that streams from nozzles on the standpipe can be controlled from the outside of the building, and also that all such places shall be provided with an approved automatic heat actuated alarm system connected to an outside gong or to the central station of a supervising company.

Article 13, Division III, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE OF FIRE PROTECTION SYSTEMS AND APPLIANCES, is hereby amended by the addition of a new Section 13.316 to read as follows:

SECTION 13.316 AUTOMATIC SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

- (a) All new buildings three (3) stories or more than fifty (50) feet in height shall have installed a complete automatic fire extinguishing system throughout. The automatic fire extinguishing system shall be installed in accordance with the National Fire Protection Association Pamphlet No. 13, as amended from time to time.
- (b) The Chief may require the automatic sprinkler systems set forth in this Article to be installed in all new industrial or manufacturing use buildings having five thousand (5,000) to ten thousand (10,000) square feet in area or in any building of ten thousand (10,000) or more square feet in area.

EXCEPTIONS: Standard automatic sprinkler systems may be omitted in the following with approval of the Board of County Commissioners upon recommendation of the Fire Chief:

- 1. In buildings or areas of buildings having occupancies with high value, noncombustible contents, and highly susceptible to water damage.
- 2. Dwelling occupancies under ten thousand (10,000) square feet located above a commercial occupancy.
- (c) Those buildings or parts of buildings for which the standard automatic sprinkler system requirement is excepted, pursuant to this Article, shall be equipped with a fire detection or extinguishing system of a tested and approved design, installed in conformance with the requirements of the Fire Code.

SECTION 15.201 RESTRICTED LOCATIONS AND FIRE PROTECTION -- Amend paragraph (a) to read as follows:

(a) The storage of Class I flammable liquids in aboveground tanks outside of buildings is prohibited within the limits established by law as the limits of the districts in which such storage is to be prohibited. The limits in which storage of flammable or combustible liquids in outside aboveground tanks is prohibited are hereby established as follows: all residential, commercial, manufacturing and industrial districts unless expressly authorized by the Chief.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and

after its passage, approval and publication as prescribed by NRS 244.100.

Proposed on the <u>2nd</u> day of <u>August</u>, 1977.

Proposed by Commissioner <u>Scott</u>, <u>Nelson</u>, <u>Rusk</u>, <u>Gaunt</u> and Farr.

Passed on the <u>16th</u> day of <u>August</u>, 1977.

Vote:

Ayes:

Commissioners:

Scott, Nelson, Rusk, Gaunt and Farr.

Nays:

Commissioners:

None.

Absent:

Commissioners:

None.

Chairman of the Board

This Drdinance shall be in force and effect from and after the 31st day of August, 1977.