



City of Delray Beach

Cover Memorandum/Staff Report

File #: 21-320 Agenda Date: 4/6/2021 Item #: 10.C.

TO: Mayor and Commissioners FROM: L. Keith Tomey, Fire Chief

THROUGH: Jennifer Alvarez, Interim City Manager

DATE: April 6, 2021

ORDINANCE NO. 12-21: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 96, "FIRE SAFETY AND EMERGENCY SERVICES", OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA, BY AMENDING SECTION 96.02, "FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS", TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL METHODS OF COLLECTING PAYMENT AND IMPOSING INTEREST FOR DELINQUENT FIRE SAFETY INSPECTION CHARGES; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE, A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE AND AUTHORITY TO CODIFY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (SECOND READING)

Recommended Action:

Staff recommends approval of Ordinance No. 12-21 providing additional methods of collecting payment and imposing interest for delinquent Fire Safety Inspection charges; providing a conflict clause, a severability clause and authority to codify; providing an effective date and for other purposes.

Background:

The Fire Rescue Department conducts Fire Safety Inspections of all business occupancies in the City through the Fire Marshal's office. This service is provided at a cost to each responsible party according to the established fee schedule. Currently there is no mechanism to enforce collection of delinquent fees. This ordinance amendment would provide a mechanism for collection of fees owed to the City of Delray Beach.

City Attorney Review:

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency.

Funding Source/Financial Impact:

This ordinance amendment would increase collections and revenue to the City.

Timing of Request:

There is no time sensitivity requirement.