

ORDINANCE NO.: 4974

AN ORDINANCE to amend Section 103-34(d)(1) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse removing language regarding conditional permits, amend Section 103-98(a)(14) regarding fire limits regulations and Section 103-101(a) regarding the razing of structures.

THE COMMON COUNCIL of the City of La Crosse do ordain as follows:

SECTION I: Section 103-34(d)(1) is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (1) Plans and specifications which comply with all applicable laws and regulations, including the zoning, subdivision control and airport ordinances, shall be endorsed or stamped "Approved" and the permit shall be issued in the name of the owner. Applications shall be acted upon within ten days. If plans and specifications do not comply with all applicable laws and regulations, Fire Department - Division of Fire Prevention & Building Safety shall refuse to issue the permit, ~~or has discretion to issue a conditional permit, subject to any written orders necessary to bring the proposed construction within compliance. When the permit is conditionally issued both sets of plans and specifications shall be endorsed or stamped "Approved - See Conditions."~~ One approved set of specifications and plans shall be retained by the Fire Department - Division of Fire Prevention & Building Safety, and one set shall be returned to the applicant, which latter set shall be kept on the building site at all times while the work authorized thereby is in progress, and shall be open to inspection by authorized public officials. The issuance of a permit shall not prevent the Fire Department-Division of Fire Prevention & Building Safety from thereafter requiring the correction of errors in the plans and specifications. All work performed under a permit shall conform to the approved application and plans, and approved amendments thereto.

SECTION II: Section 103-98(a)(14) is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (14) Any building with full masonry exterior veneer on the 1st floor with non-combustible or equivalent coverings on the remaining floors exclusive of windows, doors and decorative trim, and fully protected by a NFPA 13 automatic fire sprinkler system with continuous off-site water flow monitoring, and subject to approval of the Fire ~~Chief~~ Department - Division of Fire Prevention & Building Safety.

SECTION III: Section 103-101(a) is hereby amended to read as follows:

- (a) Every building and structure heretofore or hereafter erected, and the permanent building equipment thereof, shall be kept in good repair and safely and sanitarily maintained, and to that end the ~~Inspection Department~~ Fire Department - Division of Fire Prevention & Building Safety may require the repair or removal of any building or structure or part thereof which has become deteriorated, is unsanitary, has been damaged by fire or other means, is improperly or poorly fastened, is left open and unguarded, is deficient in exit facilities, which constitutes a fire hazard, or is required by this Code and now missing; or may issue any orders necessary to maintain the conditions of safety and habitability required by this Code. In the event that any rehabilitate

or raze and remove order or raze and remove order are not completed with by the owner, the Engineering Department shall have the building razed and removed ~~award a demolition contract~~ within ~~90~~ 45 days after notification from the ~~Board of Public Works or~~ Fire Department - Division of Fire Prevention & Building Safety.

SECTION IV: Should any portion of this ordinance be declared unconstitutional or invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the article shall not be affected.

SECTION V: This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and publication.

_____/s/_____
Timothy Kabat, Mayor

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Teri Lehrke, City Clerk

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