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TO: ALL MEMBERS OF THE ORDINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE QUINCY CITY COUNCIL

FROM: COUNCILLOR DOUGLAS S. GUTRO, CHAIRMAN

The Ordinance Committee of the Quincy City Council will meet on MONDAY, *DECEMBER 5, 2011 at 6:30 PM* in the New City Hall Council Chambers relative to #2011-111 & #2011-112 pending in Committee (Councilor Palmucci's utility package) and #2011-149 & 149A (Councillor Coughlin's proposed orders regarding fees for Police & Fire details).

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INTRODUCED BY **WARD FOUR COUNCILLOR BRIAN PALMUCCI**

CITY OF QUINCY
IN COUNCIL

ORDER NO.
ORDERED:

2011-111 **June 20, 2011**

Be it ordained by the City Council that the Quincy Municipal Code is amended as follows:

In Title 12 Streets, Sidewalks, Waterways & Public Places Chapter 12.08 Street Sidewalk Use Regulations add 4 new sections 12.08.180, 12.08.190, 12.08.200 and 12.08.210

Section 12.08.180 Establish a Utility Advisory Council

Be it ordained, that the City of Quincy establish an ad hoc utility advisory council to be made up of no less that three members of the Quincy community, including but not limited to business owners, residents, and City officials, to be selected and convened at the discretion of His Honor the Mayor. It shall be the role of the Utility Advisory Council to evaluate the performance of the current utility providers, their compliance with all state and federal statutes in relation to performance and service, and shall make all necessary recommendations to ensure future performance and compliance.

Section 12.08.190 City to charge Utilities Fines for not removing double utility poles within 90 days

Be it ordained, that the owner of a utility pole shall incur a fine of $100 per day for each double pole that remains erected, regardless of its use, beyond 90 days, after 120 days the fine shall increase to $300 per day, after 150 days and each and every day thereafter the fine shall increase to $500 per day per utility pole is in violation of this ordinance.

Section 12.08.200 City Tax Utility Poles

Be it ordained, that the City of Quincy Assessor make a report to the City Council, yearly on the number of utility poles and other such apparatus, including but not limited to utility control boxes in the City, the ownership of each utility pole and other such apparatus, and the amount of revenue currently generated from taxation levied upon same and/or the estimated amount of tax revenues which could be potentially generated from taxation levied upon same.

Section 12.08.210 Use of Permanent Spray Paint by Utilities

Be it ordained, that the City of Quincy request that National Grid, Comcast, Verizon, Dig Safe, Inc. and any other utility company which has reason to conduct similar work in the City of Quincy use an alternative paint with which to delineate work areas on public roadways and sidewalks. Specifically, a paint that is less permanent that what is currently used, so that it will not remain on the sidewalk and City roadways for an extensive period of time.

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NAYS: Coughlin, Finn, Gutro, Keenan, Laforest, McFarland, McNamee, Palmucci, Raymondi

INTRODUCED BY

CITY OF QUINCY
IN COUNCIL

ORDER NO.
ORDERED:

2011-112 **September 6, 2011**

Be it ordained by the City council that the Municipal Code is amended as follows:

In Title 12 Streets, Sidewalks, Waterways & Public Places Chapter 12.04 Street & Sidewalk construction and maintenance add to Section 12.04.060 Street Construction –Procedures-Specifications "G"
"G" Utility Company Responsibility Ordinance:

Be it ordained that the City of Quincy prohibits the excavation of public sidewalks by any person or entity without first obtaining a permit issued by the ~~Quincy Building Department~~ DPW for said work. Such permit maybe granted upon written notification of the address where the work will be conducted and the date and scope of the work to be performed. A permit application fee may be imposed at the discretion of the ~~Building Department~~ DPW for said permit approval process.

Any and all sidewalk excavation which would be governed under this ordinance that is necessary on an emergency basis shall be allowed to proceed without prior approval and permit upon the condition that said permit is sought within 72 hours of such work.

Any violation of this ordinance shall cause a fine in the amount of $1,000 to be issued to the person, entity, or in the case of a corporation, the registered corporate officer in Massachusetts, who undertook or ordered the work. Said fine shall be imposed at the discretion of the ~~City of Quincy Building department~~ Department of Public Works

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Introduced by: City Council/ President Kevin C. [illegible]

2011-112

Amendment to Utility Responsibility Ordinance

Insert as second paragraph

Law Dept to review

Upon the application of any contractor or utility company for a permit for the opening on any public way or sidewalk absent an emergency circumstance, prior to the issuance of said permit, the applicant shall provide a minimum ten (10) day advance notification to the ward councilor within whose district the work is to occur and individual notice to the abutters to the work being undertaken. Said notice shall include the purpose and scope of the work, a schedule of commencement to completion, any anticipated impacts to the abutters and immediate need supervisor contact information.

November 14, 2011

INTRODUCED BY COUNCL PRESIDENT & WARD 3 COUCILLOR KEVIN F. COUGHLIN

CITY OF QUINCY
IN COUNCIL

ORDER NO.
ORDERED: **2011-149** **September 26, 2011**

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Quincy that the Municipal Code is amended as follows:

In Title 2 Administration and Personnel Chapter 2.68 Police Department in Section 2.68.110 Public Safety Enforcement strike the existing "I" and insert the following

Section 2.68.110 Fees for Police Detail

I. Fees for police details must be paid within thirty (30) days after the issuance of a bill. In the event that such charges remain unpaid after the expiration of the thirty (30) days, interest will accrue at a rate equivalent to that assessed for unpaid taxes pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c 59 & 57 as said provision may from time to time be amended. A late fee equal to 10% of the billable detail cost shall also be assessed.

The Police Chief may develop a policy assuring timely payment of such fees, including, but not limited to, requirement of a deposit or escrow of funds sufficient to cover such obligations.

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CITY OF QUINCY
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ORDER NO.
ORDERED: **2011-149 A**

September 26, 2011

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Quincy that the Municipal Code is amended as follows:

In Title 2 Administration and Personnel Chapter 2.72 Fire Department add the following section 2.72.230

Section 2.72.230 Fees for Fire Detail

A. Fees for fire details must be paid within thirty (30) days after the issuance of a bill. In the event that such charges remain unpaid after the expiration of the thirty (30) days, interest will accrue at a rate equivalent to that assessed for unpaid taxes pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c 59 & 57 as said provision may from time to time be amended. A late fee equal to 10% of the billable detail cost shall also be assesses.

B. The fire chief may develop a policy assuring timely payment of such fees, Including, but not limited to, requirement of a deposit or escrow of funds ufficient to cover such obligations.

VOT permit a detail to be assigned until detail is paid

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