

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE )  
LEBANON FIRE DISTRICT )  
FIRE PREVENTION CODE )  
ORDINANCE 01-04 )

RESOLUTION # 23

2004

**Whereas**, the State of Oregon has adopted a new State Fire Code based on the 2003 International Fire Code with Oregon amendments, and

**Whereas**, the new code is effective October 1, 2004, and

**Whereas**, the Lebanon Fire District Board of Directors does have authority to adopt the State Fire Code with local amendments through ORS 478.910, and

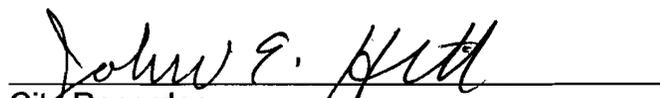
**Whereas**, the proposed fire code ordinance is attached as "Exhibit A"

**Now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of the City of Lebanon hereby approves the adoption of the Oregon Fire Code with Lebanon Fire District amendments.

Passed and adopted this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September by a vote of 6 in favor of, 0 opposed to, and 0 abstention(s).

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

Attest:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City Recorder

**ORDINANCE 02-04**

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING FIRE CODES AND STANDARDS FOR LEBANON FIRE DISTRICT A RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS GOVERNING CONDITIONS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE OR EXPLOSION, PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS FOR HAZARDOUS USES OR OPERATIONS.**

WHEREAS, Lebanon Fire District a Rural Fire Protection District, has developed uniform fire regulations for the jurisdictions served; and

WHEREAS, Lebanon Fire District A Rural Fire Protection District, hereinafter referred to as the District, desires to and finds it necessary to adopt the following regulations to provide minimum fire safety and that a plan for inspections and maintenance will upgrade existing structures, thereby reducing hazards of fire, thus does hereby adopt the following regulations; and now, therefore,

**IT IS ORDAINED AS FOLLOWS:**

**TITLE AND FILING:**

This ordinance, including the codes hereby adopted, shall be filed in the record of the District and in the office of Linn County Clerk and State Fire Marshal’s office as prescribed by ORS 478.940. A copy shall be posted at each fire station within the District. From the date on which this ordinance shall take effect, provisions thereof shall be controlling within the territorial limits of the District and within each city or county within the District approving pursuant to ORS 478.924. The whole of this ordinance shall be known as the Fire Prevention Code and may be referred to as the Fire Code and shall be enforced by the Fire Marshal’s Office.

**SCOPE:**

The purpose of this code is to establish the minimum requirements consistent with nationally recognized good practice for providing a reasonable level of life safety and property protection from the hazards of fire, explosion or dangerous conditions in new and existing buildings, structures and premises and to provide safety to fire fighters and emergency responders during emergency operations as authorized by ORS 478.910.

**SECTION I – ADOPTION OF THE OREGON FIRE CODE:**

The following code is hereby adopted by the District for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion. Those certain codes and standards known as the:

- A. International Fire Code, 2003 Edition, as published and copyrighted by International Fire Code Council as amended and adopted by the Oregon State Fire Marshal’s Office and known as The Oregon Fire Code, except as hereinafter amended by this ordinance.

**SECTION II – ENFORCEMENT OF CODE**

Notwithstanding provisions in the Oregon Fire Code authorizing or requiring inspections of buildings and premises or testing of fire protection systems and equipment, e.g. Sections 106.2, 901.6 and 907.20.2 or provisions providing for enforcement of the Code, such inspections, testing and enforcement of the Code shall be discretionary by the Chief and other individuals charged by the Chief with such activities. The District recognizes that it has limited financial resources with which to provide fire, rescue and other services and functions and is forced to make public policy decisions as to allocation of District resources. Although the District places a high priority on prevention, inspection and maintenance of fire systems, due to financial limitations, it is the Board’s policy to require inspections only so often as necessary to provide a reasonable level of fire and life safety. Accordingly, although the Fire Chief and other individuals charged by the Chief with these activities are encouraged to pursue them, performing such activities, as well as the scope and frequency of such activities, shall be within the discretion of the Fire Chief. It is the intention of the District to make clear that the District’s duty to perform the inspections and testing, or to take enforcement actions, as set forth in the Code is limited to providing a reasonable level of fire and life safety. Such actions are discretionary.

**SECTION III – AMENDMENTS MADE IN THE OREGON FIRE CODE:**

The Oregon Fire Code, based on the 2003 Edition of the International Fire Code, is amended and changed in the following respects:

**1. Section 101.3** is amended as follows:

**101.3 Intent.** The purpose of this code is to establish the minimum requirements consistent with nationally recognized good practice for providing a reasonable level of life safety and property protection from the hazards of fire, explosion or dangerous conditions in new and existing buildings, structures and premises and to provide safety to fire fighters and emergency responders during emergency operations as authorized by ORS 476.030 and 478.910.

**2. Section 104.1** is amended as follows:

**104.1 General.** The fire code official is hereby authorized to enforce the provisions of this code as directed in ORS 476.060, 478.910 and OAR Chapter 837, Division 39 and shall have the authority to adopt policies, procedures, rules and regulations in order to clarify the application of its provisions. Modifications to this code shall not be less stringent than the minimum fire code adopted by the State Fire Marshal. Such policies, procedures, rules and regulations shall be in compliance with the intent and purpose of this code and shall not have the effect of waiving requirements specifically provided for in this code.

ORS 476.060, 478.910 and OAR Chapter 837, Division 39 are not a part of this code but are reproduced or paraphrased here for the reader’s convenience.

ORS 476.060 designates local fire marshals. Local fire chiefs and chief of police as assistants to the State Fire Marshal by virtue of office held.

ORS 478.910 grants the authority to a district board to adopt a fire prevention code.

OAR Chapter 837, Division 39 regulates the administration of fire prevention programs.

**3. Appendix B, Section B105 is amended as follows:**

**B105.1 Required Fire Flow:** No building shall be constructed, altered, enlarged, moved, or repaired in a manner that by reason of size, type of construction, number of stories, occupancy, or any combination thereof creates a need for a fire flow in excess of 3,000 gallons per minute at 20 pounds per square inch residual pressure, or exceeds the available fire flow at the site of the structure. The requirements for determining fire flow for all buildings are as set forth in Oregon Fire Code, Appendix B.

**EXCEPTION:** Fire flow requirements in excess of 3,000 gallons per minute may be allowed if, in the opinion of the chief, all reasonable methods of reducing the fire flow have been included within the development and no unusual hazard to life and property exists.

Existing buildings that require a fire flow in excess of 3,000 gallons per minute are not required to comply with the fire flow requirements of this section. However, changes in occupancies or the character of occupancies, alterations, additions or repairs shall not further increase the required fire flow of buildings.

**B105.1.1 One- and Two-Family Dwellings.** The minimum fire-flow requirements for one- and two-family dwellings having a fire-flow calculation area which does not exceed 3,600 square feet (344.5 m<sup>2</sup>) shall be 1,000 gallons per minute (3785.4 L/min). Fire flow and flow duration for dwellings having a fire-flow calculation area in excess of 3,600 square feet (344.5m<sup>2</sup>) shall not be less than that specified in Table B105.1.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- 1.** A reduction in required fire flow of 50 percent, as approved, is allowed when the building is provided with an approved automatic sprinkler system.
- 2.** When there are not more than one each, Group R, Division 3 and Group U occupancies or agricultural building, as defined by ORS 455.315, on a single parcel of not less than one acre, the requirements of this section may be modified provided, the Group R, Division 3 occupancy does not require a fire flow in excess of 1500 gpm (based on NFPA Standard 1142) and in the opinion of the chief, firefighting or rescue operations would not be impaired.

**B105.2 Buildings other than One- and Two-Family Dwellings.** The minimum fire flow and flow duration shall be determined by the size and construction type of the structure under consideration. ~~for buildings other than one and two family dwellings shall be as specified in Table B105.1.~~

**EXCEPTION:** ~~A reduction in required fire flow of up to 50 percent, as approved, is allowed when the building is provided with an approved automatic sprinkler system installed in accordance with Section 903.3.1.1 or 903.3.1.2 of the *International Fire Code*. Where buildings are also of Type I or II construction and are a light hazard occupancy as defined by NFPA 13, the reduction may be up to 75 percent. The resulting fire flow shall not be less than 1,500 gallons per minute (5678 l/min)~~

**B105.2.1 Occupancy Hazards**

**5.2.1.1 Single Occupancy Hazards.** Where only a single occupancy hazard is housed in a building the minimum required building fire flow shall be multiplied by the hazard factor in Table B105.2 to determine the total required fire flow.

**B105.2.2 Multiple Occupancy Hazards.** Where more than one hazard is housed in a building the minimum required building fire flow shall be proportioned by percentage of the floor area used for each occupancy hazard. The proportioned building fire flow shall be multiplied by the hazard factor, relating to that portion of the building in Table B105.2 and totaled to determine the required fire flow.

**Table B105.2**

<u>Light Hazard Occupancies</u>	<u>1.0</u>
<u>Ordinary Hazard (Group 1)</u>	<u>1.2</u>
<u>Ordinary Hazard (Group 2)</u>	<u>1.3</u>
<u>Extra Hazard (Group 1)</u>	<u>1.4</u>
<u>Extra Hazard (Group 2)</u>	<u>1.5</u>

**B105.2.3** The total required fire flow may be reduced by one of the following options, but in no case shall be less than 1500 GPM @ 20 psi residual.

1. Reduced by 75 percent where a complete approved automatic fire extinguishing system meeting the requirements of NFPA 13, is installed throughout the building and the system is electronically supervised and is monitored by an approved central receiving station.

2. Reduced by 25 percent where an approved automatic and manual fire alarm system is installed throughout the building that is monitored by an approved central receiving station. The systems shall meet the requirements of NFPA 72.

**SECTION IV – FEES**

The Board of Directors is authorized to set fees for Inspections, Re-inspections, Plans Review, Permits, Burning violations, False Alarm response and Fire Lane violations by resolution.

**SECTION V – PENALTIES**

Any person who violates any of the provisions of these regulations hereby adopted or fails to comply therewith, or violates or fails to comply with any order made thereunder, or who builds in violation of any detailed statements, specification or plans submitted and approved thereunder and from which no appeal has been taken, or shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the Board of Appeals or by a court of competent jurisdiction within the time affixed herein, shall severally, for each and every such violation and non-compliance respectively, be guilty of a violation of the Fire Prevention Code as provided in ORS 478.930, punishable upon conviction as prescribed by ORS 478.990. All fines or punishments authorized upon conviction shall include the costs to the District to remedy the violation including costs of towing, storage or removal of the hazard or obstruction if necessary.

Any person who violates the provisions of ORS 478.960 (Burning of certain materials permitted only with permission of the Chief; Burning Schedule (1) through (8)) shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, shall severally, for each and every violation be punishable upon conviction as prescribed by ORS 478.990 and shall be subject to costs under 478.965.

The corporate counsel, the Chief, or the Fire Marshal or designated representative may bring a complaint in law or in equity to alleviate a violation of this ordinance as well as in addition to the rights to enforce said ordinance under the provisions of ORS 478.930 and ORS 478.990.

**SECTION VI – FIRE CODE BOARD OF APPEALS**

As authorized by ORS 479.180, the District may establish a board of appeals. Such board of appeals may be implemented through bylaws and other procedures adopted by ordinance of the District. In the event that the fire district Board adopts a board of appeals, the provisions of this ordinance, where appropriate, are subject to the board of appeals procedures.

If a Board is not established, or if an appellant determines it does not wish to use the established Board, or if the appellant is not satisfied with the established Board's appeal ruling, appeals will be handled through the State Fire Marshal’s office, in accordance with the procedures of ORS 479.180.

**SECTION VII – REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES**

Pursuant to ORS 478.924, the provisions of this ordinance, i.e. the Fire Code, shall be controlling within the territorial limits of the District and within each city or county within the District approving pursuant to ORS 478.924. The existing Fire Code, Ordinance 2-91, has been repealed, effective October 1, 2004. It is the intent that this repeal also affect resolutions or ordinances adopted by each respective city or county, and that any still-existing conflicting or inconsistent provisions of such jurisdictions are not intended to be enforced by this Code. Any prosecutions or violations under the repealed Code that occurred prior to the effective date of repeal may continue after such effective date.

**SECTION VIII – VALIDITY**

The District hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this ordinance or of the Codes or Standards hereby adopted be declared for any reason to be invalid, it is the intent of the District that it would have passed all other portions of this ordinance independent of the elimination of any such portion as may be declared invalid.

**SECTION IX – DATE OF EFFECT**

The Board of Directors of the Fire District finds and determines that it is necessary and expedient that the provisions of this ordinance become effective immediately following the final reading.

First reading by Title only this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

Second reading by Title only this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

PASSED by the District this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2004.

\_\_\_\_\_  
PRESIDENT

\_\_\_\_\_  
SECRETARY-TREASURER



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September 15, 2004

Mayor and City Council  
City of Lebanon  
925 S. Main St.  
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**RE: Resolution approving Lebanon Fire District Ordinance 01-04**

Dear Mayor and City Council,

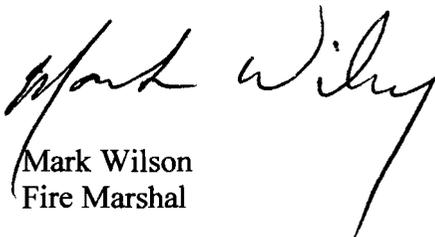
Please find enclosed the Lebanon Fire District proposed ordinance to adopt the **new** Oregon Fire Code with local amendments. The Oregon Fire Code is effective statewide as of October 1, 2004. This ordinance is being sent for your review and approval as per the requirements of Oregon Revised Statute 478.924.

Lebanon Fire District has taken great strides to reduce local amendments in the interest of statewide uniformity and consistency. To that end, our ordinance contains only three amendments to the state adopted Oregon Fire Code (explained below). Our intention is to leave the Oregon Fire Code as pure as possible and handle many issues through the use of policy. These policies are being developed in order to promote consistency.

The first two amendments are merely references to ORS 478.910 which grants the authority for a Fire District to adopt a fire prevention code. The third and final amendment is a local cap to a maximum allowed fire flow of 3,000 gpm. It is important that this amendment remain intact as cities and water providers inside our District use this number to establish future infrastructure needs. This third amendment also includes additional fire flow reduction for the installation of fire sprinklers or fire alarms to further incentive for the installation of fire protection systems.

Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Mark Wilson  
Fire Marshal



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December 18, 2007

Mayor and City Council  
City of Lebanon  
925 S. Main St.  
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**RE: Resolution #23 approving Lebanon Fire District Ordinance 02-04**

Dear Mayor and City Council,

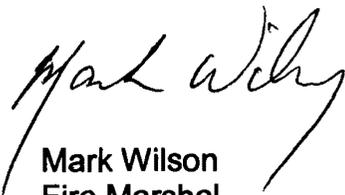
Back in 2004, the City of Lebanon passed Resolution #23 approving the Lebanon Fire District Fire Prevention Code Ordinance 02-04. Since then, the State of Oregon, Office of the State Fire Marshal, has adopted the Oregon Fire Code, 2007 edition, effective April 1, 2007.

Lebanon Fire District has taken great strides to reduce local amendments in the interest of statewide uniformity and consistency. The latest edition of the Oregon Fire Code has allowed us to no longer have to amend the code locally. To that end, our ordinance 02-04 has been repealed through our adoption of Ordinance 02-2007, an Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 02-04, which adopted fire code, 2003 edition. Our intention is to leave the Oregon Fire Code as pure as possible and handle many issues through the use of policy. These policies are developed in order to promote consistency.

No action is required of you. This letter is informational only.

Please contact me with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Mark Wilson  
Fire Marshal

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