

TOWN OF ELIZABETHTOWN
ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING CIVIL PENALTY
FOR RECURRING FALSE FIRE AND
BURGLAR ALARMS

Ordinance No. 02-1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF ELIZABETHTOWN PROVIDING THAT THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, TOWN OF ELIZABETHTOWN, BE AMENDED BY ADDING A NEW SECTION TITLED: **FALSE FIRE AND BURGLAR ALARMS**, Section 101, under General Regulations.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF ELIZABETHTOWN, NORTH CAROLINA THAT:

- Section 1: Each establishment in the Town of Elizabethtown be allowed a total of three (3) free false fire alarms per calendar year. In the event, there is a fourth false fire alarm for an establishment within a calendar year, a civil citation will be issued in the amount of \$100; for the fifth, a citation in the amount of \$150 will be issued and for the sixth, an amount of \$200 will be issued. For each false fire alarm thereafter within a calendar year, the civil citation will apply in \$50.00 increments.
- Section 2: For those private residences that are equipped with burglar alarm systems, three (3) free burglar alarms will be allowed in the Town of Elizabethtown per calendar year. For the fourth false burglar alarm within a calendar year, a civil citation in the amount of \$25.00 will be issued and for each false burglar alarm thereafter within a calendar year, the civil citation will apply in \$25.00 increments.
- Section 3: For commercial businesses that are equipped with burglar alarm systems, five (5) free burglar alarms will be allowed in the Town of Elizabethtown within a calendar year. For the sixth false burglar alarm, a civil citation in the amount of \$25.00 will be issued and for each false burglar alarm thereafter within a calendar year, the civil citation will apply in \$25.00 increments.
- Section 4: That this ordinance be effective upon its adoption.

Adopted this the 7th day of January, 2002.

Kenneth R. Kornegay, Mayor

ATTEST:

Beverly M. Pait, Town Clerk