



City of Springfield.

IN THE YEAR ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND NINETY-NINE

AN ORDINANCE.

AMENDING TITLE 7, SECTION 7.12 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, 1986, AS AMENDED, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 7.12.180 - INSTALLATION OF KEY BOXES ON PROPERTY PROTECTED BY AUTOMATIC ALARM SYSTEMS OR FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Springfield, as follows:

Title 7, Chapter 7.12, Section 7.12.180 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Springfield, 1986, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following a new section thereto:

7.12.180 Installation of Key Boxes on Property Protected by Automatic Alarm Systems or Fire Sprinkler Systems. A. The city council of the city of Springfield finds that the city of Springfield's fire department may be summoned at times when a structure or area is not occupied or when the occupant of a structure or area is not able to provide an ingress for the fire department and further finds it is desirable to prevent damage through forceful entry to structures or areas and to provide swift entry into such structures or areas by the fire department that a key box system should be established in the city of Springfield.

B. Key box. When an automatic alarm system or a fire sprinkler system protects a structure or area within the city, a key box of a UL type approved by the city's fire chief shall be installed on the property in a location approved by the city's fire chief. The key box should be keyed to the fire department standard emergency key. It shall be the responsibility of the owner, lessee, tenant, or other party in control of the structure or area (1) to assume all costs involved in the installation of the key box, (2) to insure that all key boxes are keyed to the fire department's standard emergency key, (3) keeping said key box in good repair and (4) to insure that all keys contained therein are those currently in use the structure or area.

C. Contents. Such key boxes shall contain the following:

1. Keys to locked points of egress whether on the interior or exterior of such building or area.

2. Keys for fire alarm panel and room.
2. keys to lock mechanical equipment rooms, if any are required.
- 3: Keys to lock electrical rooms, if any are required.
4. Keys to elevator controls and firefighter switch, if any are required.
5. Keys to other areas as directed by officials of the city's fire department.