ORDINANCE No. 2349

AN ORDINANCE of the City of Salisbury amending Section 1.16.100 C to increase the amount of fines contained therein.

WHEREAS, current Section 1.16.100 C outlines the penalties for violating certain codes; and

WHEREAS, the dollar amounts of said fines are insufficient to compel adherence to the various codes referred to; and

WHEREAS, the increase in fine amounts will be consistent with the State of Maryland penalties and fine amounts;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland, that Chapter 1.16.100 C, be amended as follows:

1.16.100 C.

The violations of the following codes and ordinances are declared to be an infraction, and the penalty for such violation shall not exceed two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each initial offense and shall not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) for each repeat offense, and each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense:

- 1. International Building Code (2015) (IBC):
- 2. International Residential Code (2015) (IRC):
- 3. International Energy Conservation Code (2015) (IECC);
- 4. International Mechanical Code (2015) (IMC):
- 5. International Plumbing Code (2015) (IPC);
- 6. International Fuel Gas Code (2015) (IFGC); and
- 7. International Existing Building Code (2015) (IEBC).

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED AND ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SALISBURY, MARYLAND, that the Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 27 day of July, 2015 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council on the 10 day of August, 2015.

ATTEST: Linkely R. Nichols, City Crerk	Jacob R Day City Jouncil President
Approved by me, this 11th day of lug	_, 2015.
James Ireton, Jr., Mayor	

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Memo

To:

Tom Stevenson

From: Susan Phillips

Date:

January 30, 2015

Re:

Fine Increase Ordinance Cover Memo

Attached you will find the final draft of an ordinance increasing the fine amounts.

Section 1.16.100 C outlines the penalties for violating the City of Salisbury Municipal Code. The current fine amount is \$250 (two hundred fifty dollars) for the initial offense and \$500 (five hundred dollars) for each repeat offense, and each day the violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

The new legislation is proposing to increase the fine amounts from \$250 (two hundred fifty dollars) to \$500 (five hundred dollars) for the initial offense, and from \$500 (five hundred dollars) to \$1,000 (one thousand dollars) for each repeat offense.

This increase will be consistent with the Annotated Code of Maryland's (section 6-101 & 6-102) fine structure. Please see the attachments provided.

In addition, the City of Salisbury's Charter (section SC5-1,38 (b) [1]) allows for fines to be written in the amount up to \$1,000 (one thousand dollars). This code change will create consistency between the code and charter. Please see attachments provided.

Unless you or the mayor has any questions please forward this information to the city council for review and consideration.