RESOLUTION NO. RS-2024-06

(RESOLUTION ADOPTING FEE SCHEDULE FOR CIVIL CITATIONS AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. RS-2019-29

RECITALS

On February 27, 2024, the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the "County") adopted the following codes governing all building work performed in Washington County, Maryland, said codes being effective July 1, 2024:

the Maryland Building Performance Standards (i.e. the *International Building Code*, 2021 Edition, the *International Residential Code*, 2021 Edition, and the *International Energy Conservation Code*, 2021 Edition);

the International Existing Building Code, 2021 Edition;

the International Plumbing Code, 2021 Edition;

the International Mechanical Code, 2021 Edition;

the International Fuel Gas Code, 2021 Edition; and

the 2020 National Electrical Code (the "Codes").

Pursuant to the Code of the Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland, Section 1-112, the County may impose civil citations for violations of the Codes and the Codes provide for such civil citations. The Codes also provide that the fine for a civil offense shall be established by resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland that the fine for a civil citation issued for a violation set forth below be established as follows:

- 1. Civil citations will only be issued for the following violations of the above-referenced Codes:
- a. Work started without proper permit (IRC: R105.1 & R113.1; IBC: 105.1 & 114.1; IMC: 106.1 and 108.1; IPC: 106.1 and 108.1; ICCEC: 401.1; IEBC: 105.1 & 113.1);

- b. Stop work order (unlawful continuance) (IRC: R114.2; IBC: 115.3; IMC: 108.5; IPC:108.5; ICCEC: 1004.3; IEBC: 114.3);
- c. Violation of unsafe structure posting (IRC: 115.1; IBC: 116.1; IMC: 108.7; IPC:108.7; ICCEC: 901.2; IEBC 115.1); or
- d. Violation of a Certificate of Occupancy (IRC: R110.1; IBC: 111.1; IMC: Not Applicable; IPC: Not Applicable; ICCEC: 303; IEBC: 110.1).
- 2. Any violation of the above shall be punishable by a fine of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per day. Each day the violation continues shall be deemed a separate offense.
- 3. In the event a second citation for a violation is issued regarding the same property within two-years from the date of the initial citation, the fine shall increase to Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) per day for each day the property is in violation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Resolution No. RS-2019-29 adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 3, 2019, effective March 1, 2020, is hereby REPEALED.

Adopted this 27th day of February, 2024. Effective the 1st day of July, 2024.

ATTEST:

Dawn L. Marcus , Clerk Approved as to form

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