

TITLE III COMMUNITY PROTECTION

CHAPTER 18 FIRE PREVENTION CODE

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3-18-1 PURPOSE. The purpose of this ordinance is to prescribe regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion.

3-18-2 ADOPTION OF FIRE PREVENTION CODE. Pursuant to published notice and public hearing as required by law, there is hereby adopted that certain code known as the Fire Prevention Code, Abbreviated Edition, recommended by the American Insurance Association, being particularly the 1970 edition thereof and the whole thereof, save and except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified, or amended by Section 6 of this ordinance, and the same is hereby adopted and incorporated fully as if set out at length herein, and from the effective date of the ordinance, the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the limits of this city.

An official copy of the Fire Prevention Code as adopted , and a certified copy of this ordinance, are on file in the office of the city clerk.

3-18-3 ENFORCEMENT. The fire prevention code shall be enforced by the chief of the fire department.

3-18-4 DEFINITION. Whenever the word “municipality” is used in the Fire Prevention Code, it shall be held to mean the City of Coggon, Iowa.

3-18-5 ESTABLISHMENT OF LIMITS OF DISTRICTS IN WHICH STORAGE OF EXPLOSIVES AND BLASTING AGENTS, STORAGE OF FLAMMABLE LIQUIDS IN OUTSIDE ABOVE-GROUND TANKS, AND BULK STORAGE OF LIQUIFIED PETROLEUM GASES TO BE RESTRICTED. The limits referred to in Section 53b of the Fire Prevention Code are hereby adopted in which the storage of explosives and blasting agents is prohibited, the limits referred to in section 74a of the Fire Prevention Code hereby adopted in which storage of Class I liquids in outside above-ground tanks is prohibited, and the limits referred to in Section 114 of the Fire Prevention Code are hereby adopted in which bulk storage of liquified petroleum gas is restricted, are hereby established as follows:

The south half of Blocks Three (3) and Four (4), and the north half of Blocks Six (6), Seven (7), and Eight (8).

3-18-6 MODIFICATIONS. The chief of the fire department shall have power to modify any of the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code upon application in writing by the owner or lessee, or his duly authorized agent, when there are practical difficulties in the way of carrying out the strict letter of the Code, provided that the spirit of the Code shall be observed, public safety secured, and substantial justice done. The particulars of such modification when granted or allowed and the decision of the chief of the fire department thereon shall be entered upon the records of the department. One signed copy of the decision of the chief of the fire department shall be furnished to the applicant, and one signed copy shall be filed in the office of the city clerk.

3-18-7 APPEALS. Whenever the chief of the fire department shall disapprove an application or refuse to grant a license or permit applied for, or when it is claimed that the provisions of the Fire Prevention Code do not apply or that the true intent and meaning of the Code have been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, the applicant may appeal from the decision of the chief of the fire department to the city council within thirty (30) days from the date of such decision.

3-18-8 PENALTIES. Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this ordinance and of the Fire Prevention Code hereby adopted or fail to comply therewith, or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order made thereunder, or who shall build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications of plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder, and from which no appeal has been taken, or who shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the city council or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein, shall severally for each and every violation and non-compliance, respectively, be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than \$100.00 or by imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days.

The application of the penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.