

PUBLIC NOTICE  
CITY OF ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY  
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the following proposed ordinance was introduced and passed on its first reading at a meeting of City Council of the City of Elizabeth, the County of Union, held on the 8th of March, 2011, and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at a meeting of the City Council to be held in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, Winfield Scott Plaza, Elizabeth, New Jersey, on the 22nd day of March, 2011 at 7:30 P.M. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at which time and place all persons who may be interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the ordinance.

A copy of this ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the City Hall, and a copy is available up to and including the time of said meeting to the members of the general public of the City who shall request same, at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, Elizabeth, New Jersey.

YOLANDA M. ROBERTS, R.M.C.  
CITY CLERK

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 15.12 OF THE HOUSING CODE OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH BY AMENDING SECTION 15.12.420, "COOKING FACILITIES REQUIRED"; AND BY AMENDING SECTION 15.12.690 B. "BUILDING SECURITY FACILITIES."

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH:

**SECTION 1.** - That Section 15.12.420, Cooking facilities required, shall be amended to DELETE, the following: Every dwelling and shall be provided with installed cooking facilities or utility connection for such facilities; and to ADD, the following:

(a) No cooking shall be permitted in any unit of dwelling space unless there is provision for the following minimum cooking and sanitary facilities:

1. A kitchen sink of nonabsorbent impervious material and drainboard of appropriate materials, connected to and having available at all times a supply of hot and cold water under sufficient pressure as required under N.J.A.C. 5:10-15. The kitchen sink shall be connected to a sanitary disposal or sewer system;
2. Cooking and preparation of food shall be undertaken only in areas designated therefor;
3. Means of natural ventilation or mechanical ventilation sufficient to remove promptly cooking odors to the exterior of the premises without first circulating them within the interior habitable space of the unit;
4. Place for storage of food free from infestation;
5. Facilities for refrigeration in good operating condition for protection of food from spoilage permitting maintenance of temperatures for storage above 32 degrees and below 50 degrees without regard to outside temperatures;
6. A cooking facility which, if electrical, is connected with safety to an electrical system of sufficient capacity, or if gas, connected by permanent fixtures and tubing to avoid leakage of gas. The use of gasoline stoves or other similar fuel-burning appliances using highly flammable liquids and the use of portable kerosene stoves or other similar fuel-burning portable appliances for cooking is prohibited;
7. Cabinets or drawers or other storage areas for utensils, dishes and other cooking and eating equipment;
8. Two floor or wall electrical outlets for electrical appliances.

**SECTION 2.** - That Section 15.12.690 B., Building security facilities shall be amended to DELETE the following:

B. Every multiple dwelling of six or more units of dwelling space shall either have a self-closing and self-locking door at the main entrance to the building or some alternative security system, such as a doorman or electronically operated buzzer system and to ADD the following:

Every exterior entrance door leading to interior common areas which provide access to two or more interior dwelling unit entrance doors shall be a self-closing and self-locking door, shall be kept closed at all times except when in actual use and shall be equipped with a viewing device if it would not otherwise be possible to see a person seeking to

enter without opening the door. In addition, the main entrance door shall be either attended at all times by a doorman or equipped with an electrically operated buzzer and latch-release system, individual exterior door bells connected to each dwelling unit, or an approved alternative security and entrance system. However, no building shall be equipped with an electrically operated latch-release system if such building is not also equipped with an intercommunication system allowing effective communication between a person in any dwelling unit and a person standing outside of the main entrance door.

**SECTION 3.** - All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

**SECTION 4.** - If any portion or clause of this ordinance is declared invalid for any reason whatsoever, same shall not affect the validity of constitutionality of any other part or portion of this ordinance.

**SECTION 5.** - The effective date of this ordinance shall be twenty (20) days after its final passage by City Council and approval by the Mayor at the time and in the manner provided by law.

PASSED: \_\_\_\_\_

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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YOLANDA M. ROBERTS, R.M.C.  
Municipal Clerk

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JOSEPH KEENAN  
President of City Council

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J. CHRISTIAN BOLLWAGE  
Mayor