

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING ELECTRICAL WIRING AND PROVIDING FOR THE INSPECTION OF SAME

ORDINANCE NO. 73

The City Council of the City of Alexandria, do ordain as follows:

- Sec. 1. That all electrical wiring and apparatus laid, constructed, installed or done in any building or about any building within the limits of the City of Alexandria shall be laid, constructed and done in accordance with the rules and requirements of the National Electrical Code for the installation of electrical wiring and apparatus.
- Sec. 2. That the Mayor of said City shall appoint an inspector qualified to inspect all electrical wiring and apparatus in said City, and no wiring or apparatus shall be laid, constructed or installed or done without inspection by such inspector provided that the cost of such inspection shall be paid by the electrical contractor who installs such electric wiring and apparatus before any connection shall be made and at the following rates:

Ten cents per opening up to ten openings and five cents per opening for each and all openings over ten.

Provided further, that inspection of any single building shall at no time be less than fifty cents; that when such inspection is made the inspector shall issue triplicate receipts for inspection fees, and if wiring and apparatus is approved he shall issue a certificate approving the same, in triplicate and one of which certificates and receipts which may be upon the same paper shall be delivered to the electrical contractor, one to the owner of the building, and the other filed with the City Auditor. All fees earned under this Ordinance shall be collected by the said inspector and shall be paid over by him to the City Auditor and shall be turned over to the City Auditor to the City Treasurer of said city and placed with the electric light maintenance fund, and the said inspector shall receive, such fees or salary as may be provided for by the City Council, to be paid by warrants drawn in the electric light maintenance fund.

- Sec. 3. The inspector appointed by the Mayor shall have power at any time in his discretion to sever, and disconnect the current from any premises or building when in his opinion the wiring or apparatus therein have become unsafe or insecure and the connection shall not again be made until the wiring and apparatus is approved by such inspector.
- Sec. 4. No person, firm or corporation shall be permitted to engage in the business of installing any electric wiring, constructing or installing electrical apparatus or machinery in any building upon any premises within the limits of the City of Alexandria, without first procuring a permit therefore from the City Auditor of said City which permit shall not be granted by the City Auditor, except upon payment by the applicant of five dollars per annum as a license fee and furnishings a bond to be approved by the Mayor in the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, conditioned that the person or firm or corporation will comply with this ordinance and will not cover any work or apparatus until the same is inspected by the inspector and approved, and will pay any

damages, costs and expenses occasioned by failure to comply with this Ordinance and to procure proper inspection of the work.

Sec. 5. No person shall be allowed to connect any moving picture apparatus in the City of Alexandria with an electric current until the same shall have been inspected by the City inspection as provided for in Section 2 of this Ordinance, and a certificate granted by said inspector, approving the wiring and apparatus.

Sec. 6. Any person constructing, installing or operating any moving picture apparatus or any electric wiring or apparatus or connecting with any electrical wiring apparatus already installed without written permit from the inspector shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be subject to a fine of not more than one hundred dollars or imprisonment in the County Jail for a period not exceeding thirty days, or both such fine and imprisonment in the discretion of the Court, and upon a second conviction for a violation of this Ordinance any person holding a license as provided in Section 4 shall forfeit such license.

Read for the first time January 4, 1915.

Read for the second time and passed February 1, 1915.

J. H. Dobson
Mayor