

CITY OF COLUMBIA  
ORDINANCE NO. 3262

MAY 16 2016

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 2.50 OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA  
MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING THE CITY BUILDING OFFICIAL



City Clerk

WHEREAS, the City of Columbia, Monroe and St. Clair Counties, Illinois is a duly created, organized and validly existing municipality of the State of Illinois under the 1970 Illinois Constitution and the laws of the State of Illinois, including particularly the Illinois Municipal Code, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Columbia (“City Council”) previously adopted Section 2.50 of the City of Columbia Municipal Code (“City Code”), detailing the appointment and duties of the Building Inspector; and

WHEREAS, the City now desires to rename the position of Building Inspector to “Building Official,” as well as authorize the City Administrator, in place of the Mayor and in conjunction with the Building Official, to provide written permission for resumption of work after issuance of a stop order; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes it is in the best interest of the City, and now desires to amend Section 2.50 of the City Code to reflect said changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the City Council of the City of Columbia, Illinois, as follows:

**Section 1.** That the preceding recitations in the upper part of this Ordinance are realleged, restated and adopted as paragraph one (“1”) of this Ordinance.

**Section 2.** That the title of Section 2.50 of the City Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**“Section 2.50**

**BUILDING OFFICIAL”**

**Section 3.** That Chapter 2.50.010 of the City Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**“Chapter 2.50.010 Appointment.**

There is created the position of Building Official who shall be appointed by the Mayor by and with the advice and consent of the City Council.”

**Section 4.** That Chapter 2.50.020 of the City Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**“Chapter 2.50.020 Duties.**

It shall be the duty of the Building Official to see to the enforcement of all ordinance provisions relating to buildings or zoning and to inspect all buildings or structures being erected or altered, as frequently as may be necessary to insure compliance with the ordinances of the City.”

**Section 5.** That Chapter 2.50.030 of the City Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**“Chapter 2.50.030 Stop Order.**

The Building Official shall have the power to order all work stopped on construction or alteration or repair of buildings or structures in the City when such work is being done in violation of any provision of any ordinance relating thereto, or in violation of any zoning ordinance. Work shall not be resumed after the issuance of such an order, except on written permission of the Building Official or the City Administrator; provided, that if the stop order is an oral one, it shall be followed by a written stop order within an hour. Such written stop order may be served by any policeman.”

**Section 6.** That Chapter 2.50.040 of the City Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**“Chapter 2.50.040 Entry Powers.**

The Building Official shall have the power to make or cause to be made an entry into any building or premises where the work of altering, repairing or constructing is going on, for the purpose of making inspection, at any reasonable hour.”

**Section 7.** That Chapter 2.50.050 of the City Code shall be amended to read as follows:

**“Chapter 2.50.050 Violation—Penalty.**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall continue to work in violation of a stop order of the Building Official shall be fined not less than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) nor more than Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for each day on which any work in violation of such stop order is done.”

**Section 8.** This Ordinance shall take full force and effect after passage and approval by the Corporate Authorities.

YEAS: Aldermen Ebersohl, Agne, Niemietz, Roessler, Reis, Holtkamp and

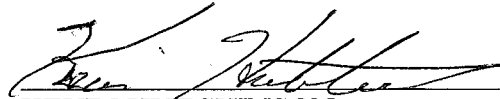
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NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Alderman Huch.

ABSTENTIONS: None.

PASSED by the City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 16th day of May, 2016.



KEVIN HUTCHINSON

Mayor  
City of Columbia

ATTEST:



WESLEY J. HOEFKEN

City Clerk  
City of Columbia