

## NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE

Notice is hereby given that Ordinance No. 2026-1 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ESSEXVILLE BY ADOPTING THE 2024 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL AS A PART OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF ESSEXVILLE BY REPEALING CURRENT SECTIONS 8.1101 THROUGH 8.1112 OF THE PRESENT CODE AND ENACTING NEW SECTIONS 8.1101 THROUGH 8.1112 TO BE PART OF CHAPTER 11, TITLE VIII OF SAID CODE AND TO BE ENTITLED "FIRE CODE, was adopted by the Essexville City Council at its regular meeting of February 10, 2026. The ordinance shall be effective February 25, 2026.

The City of Essexville ordains.....

**SECTION 1:** In accordance with Section 1.102 of Chapter 1 of Title I of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Essexville, Sections 8.1101 through 8.1112 of Chapter 11 of Title VIII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Essexville are hereby repealed and the following sections are enacted to replace said repealed sections:

### TITLE VIII; BUILDING REGULATIONS

#### CHAPTER 11

#### FIRE CODE

Sec. 8.1101. Adoption of International Fire Code. The International Fire Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc. is hereby adopted as the Fire Code of the City of Essexville. Any subsequent amendments or updates to the International Fire Code are hereby authorized to be adopted in the regular course of business by management.

Sec. 8.1102. Duties of the Department of Public Safety. The International Fire Code shall be enforced by the Department of Public Safety of the City of Essexville.

Sec.8.1103. Definitions:

Wherever the word "jurisdiction" is used in the International Fire Code, it shall mean the City of Essexville.

Whenever the term "Board of Appeals" is used in the International Fire Code, such term shall be construed to be the Construction Board of Appeals of the City of Essexville as created and set forth in Sec. 8.1301 through Sec. 8.1305 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Essexville and whose procedural rules shall apply and supercede all appeal procedures which may be contained within the International Fire Code adopted herein.

Wherever the term "fire code official" is used in the International Fire Code such term shall be construed to be the Fire Chief or his or her designee acting as the Fire Inspector for the City of Essexville.

Sec. 8.1104. Establishment of Limits of Districts in Which Storage of Flammable or Combustible Liquids in Outside Above Ground Tanks is

Prohibited. The limits referred to in the International Fire Code where the storage of flammable or combustible liquids in outside above ground tanks is prohibited, are hereby established as follows: any area of the City South of Woodside Avenue from the West City limits East to Pine Street then North to Saline Street then East to the West City limits. An exception to this limitation shall be approved tanks used to store combustible fuels only for the purpose of residential home heating and not exceeding 300 gallons capacity and approved tanks used to store combustible fuels only for the purpose of servicing buses and vehicles belonging to School Districts.

Sec. 8.1105. Establishment of Limits in Which Storage of Liquefied Petroleum Gases is to be Restricted. The limits referred to in the International Fire Code, in which storage of liquefied petroleum gas is restricted, are hereby established as follows: City limits of the City of Essexville. An exception to this limitation shall be approved tanks used to store LP gas only for the purpose of residential home heating not to exceed 100 pound capacity per tank and A maximum of two tanks per installation.

Sec. 8.1106. Permits Required for Recreational Fires. That portion of exempting recreational fires from the requirement of an operational permit is not adopted. There shall be no exceptions to the International Fire Code and a permit shall be required for all recreational fires upon any public or private property within the limits of the City of Essexville.

Sec. 8.1109. No Notice Required Before Violation may be Charged. In addition to any other method of service or notice of violation requirement set forth in the International Fire Code, the fire code official may, without notice or opportunity to comply with the Code, charge any person who violates any provision of the International Fire Code with a misdemeanor as set forth in the International Fire Code.

Sec. 8.1110. Appeals. Any person orally or in writing denied a permit or disputing an interpretation of the Code by a fire code official not the Fire Chief shall have five calendar days to appeal such denial or interpretation in writing to the Fire Chief. Any oral or written denied appeal to the Fire Chief or oral or written denial of a permit or disputed interpretation of the Code by the Fire Chief may be appealed to the Board of Appeals in writing within fourteen calendar days of such oral or written denial or disputed interpretation.

Sec. 8.1111. Non-Adoption of Some Provisions of the International Fire Code. Certain sections of the International Fire Code that are specifically delineated in this ordinance as altered are not adopted as ordinances of the City of Essexville.

Sec. 8.1112. Penalties. Any person who violates any of the provisions of International Fire Code as adopted herein shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall suffer the penalties up to and including those set forth in Sec. 1.110 of Chapter 1 of Title I of the Essexville City code. No appeal filed by any person in violation of the adopted Code shall delay or stay the right of prosecution for violations of the Code. A separate violation shall be deemed to have been committed each day during which a violation occurs and continues to occur.

The full text of the ordinance may be viewed at the City website located at [www.essexville.org](http://www.essexville.org) and purchased or inspected at the Essexville City Hall, 1107 Woodside Ave, Essexville, Michigan during its regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday except for holidays.

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