

ORDINANCE NO. 1702

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE 1 OF THE
NORTON CITY CODE RELATING TO BUILDING, RE-ROOFING AND
DEMOLITION PERMITS WITHIN THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS**

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NORTON, KANSAS:

Section 1. Section 4-107 of the Code of the City of Norton, Kansas, is hereby amended to read as follows:

4-107. PERMIT REQUIRED.

a. Before beginning any building, construction, or repair work, an owner, builder or building contractor shall apply to the building inspector and obtain a permit to do such work. Permits shall also be obtained for exterior roofing work on any structure. All such work shall meet the building code requirements.

b. All applications for permits shall be made on suitable forms provided by the city.

c. The application shall be accompanied by a permit fee. Permit fees are based on the size of the new structure, or the size of the new addition to a structure, measured in square feet, by taking the length times the width, and are as follows:

121 ft ² to 400 ft ²	= \$30.00
401 ft ² to 800 ft ²	= \$50.00
801 ft ² to 1200 ft ²	= \$75.00
1201 ft ² to 1600 ft ²	= \$100.00
1601 ft ² and over	= \$150.00
Re-Roofing	= \$30.00

d. A late application fee shall be assessed to any owner, builder or building contractor who fails to obtain a permit prior to commencing work. A late fee may be assessed at \$25.00 per day for any day the permit was required and not applied for or obtained, with a maximum penalty of ten days.

e. A demolition permit shall be required of any owner or contractor prior to demolishing any structure of a size that would require a building permit. The demolition permit fee is \$30.00 and is good for thirty days, with a possible thirty day extension, upon approval of the city council. Upon removal of any structure, it shall be the duty of the property owner, contractor, representative or tenant, to fill any basement or other excavation located upon the premises and take any other action necessary to leave such premises in a safe condition including the grading and seeding or sodding of the area, removal of dirt or mud from roads, streets, alleys, or sidewalks, to allow for proper drainage of the site, and to remove any and all refuse, trash, debris, brush and limbs, or materials from the site. Any underground utility lines, such as water, sewer, and natural gas, are also required to be capped off and sealed, preventing any leaks or usage. This is to be done as close to the utility main as possible. Once this work has been done, a request must be made for a City of Norton representative to inspect and approve the work prior to any backfilling taking place. In the case of backfilling any openings, the excavation shall be

filled with only fine earth having a moisture content of 15-20 percent and no wet spongy material shall be used, and no rocks or lumps of earth shall be used in the backfilling. Each layer of filling shall be tamped until such layer is solid and firm, so that when the excavation is completely filled, the surface will be in the same condition in every aspect as to solidity, firmness and appearance that it was before the excavation was made. If the owner, contractor, representative or tenant fails to take such action, the enforcing officer may proceed to make the site safe. If, within the time specified in the order, the owner fails to comply with the demolition of the structure, the city may cause the structure to be demolished and removed. The costs may then be assessed pursuant to City Code 4-411.

f. Prior to the issuance of any re-roofing permit, all roofing contractors are required to provide the City of Norton a copy of their valid Kansas roofing contractor registration certificate, which is issued by the Kansas Attorney General's Office.

g. Section 105.2 of the International Building Code, as in effect, shall be amended to include: ***"Exterior surface work of the walls of a structure, so long as the structural framework of the building is not repaired, modified or enlarged."***

Section 2: This ordinance shall take effect from and after the date of its publication in the official city newspaper.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Body of the City of Norton, Kansas, this 2nd day of August, 2017.

/s/ James L. Miller, Mayor

Attest:

/s/ Darla R. Ellis, City Clerk

First Reading: 07-05-2017
Second Reading: 07-19-2017
Third Reading: 08-02-2017