

**CITY OF MUSCATINE
RESOLUTION 2024-0068**

**RESOLUTION AMENDING CITY CODE APPENDIX D – SCHEDULE OF BUILDING
RELATED PERMIT FEES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS, BY ADDING A FEE FOR
THE REINSPECTION OF PREVIOUSLY INACCESSIBLE AREAS**

WHEREAS, Section 16-4-4(D) of City Code requires that all portions of a rental dwelling unit be accessible for inspection to determine compliance with the Rental Facility Standards contained within Section 16-4-7. If access to certain areas of the rental unit is restricted due to locked doors, obstructions, or unavailability, it becomes necessary to schedule a second inspection of these areas for a time when the required accessed can be gained;

WHEREAS, The current approach to inspecting inaccessible areas often results in multiple visits spread over months, delaying unit approval and license issuance. This inefficiency hinders compliance with the City Code's 3-year inspection cycle for all rental units;

WHEREAS, A new approach is being proposed to address areas initially inaccessible during rental unit inspections. If such areas are encountered, a focused inspection solely for those areas will be scheduled within 7-10 days of the initial inspection;

WHEREAS, This new approach is anticipated to improve efficiency and effectiveness of the rental inspection and licensing program by limiting the number of times that the 60-day clock to repair newly reported violations is reset;

WHEREAS, City Code Section 16-4-4(D) allows for a specific fee to be charged for any necessary inspection of a previously inaccessible area; and

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved by the City Council of the City of Muscatine, in the State of Iowa, that the fee, as authorized by City Code Section 16-4-4(D) for “Inspection of Previously Inaccessible Areas” in the Rental Housing Inspection and Related Fees in Appendix D of City Code be established at \$60 per dwelling unit plus a \$25 administrative fee per Rental Facility License.

SECTION 1: **AMENDMENT** “REINSPECTION FEES” of the Muscatine Municipal Code is hereby *amended* as follows:

AMENDMENT

REINSPECTION FEES

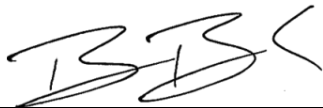
Permits	Code Section	Location	Each	Bon d	Insurance

First Reinspection	16-4-4(H)(4)(a)	Community Development	No Fee		
Second Reinspection	16-4-4(H)(4)(b)	Community Development	\$60.00 per Dwelling Unit plus \$25.00 administrative fee per Rental Facility License		
Third and Subsequent Reinspection(s)	16-4-4(H)(4)(b)	Community Development	\$120.00 per Dwelling Unit plus \$25.00 administrative fee per Rental Facility License		
<u>Inspection of Previously Inaccessible Areas</u>	<u>16-4-4(D)</u>	<u>Community Development</u>	<u>\$60.00 per Dwelling Unit plus \$25.00 administrative fee per Rental Facility License</u>		

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE CITY OF MUSCATINE CITY COUNCIL MARCH 07, 2024.

Presiding Officer

Attest



Dr. Brad Bark, Mayor, City of
Muscatine



Carol Webb, City Clerk, City of
Muscatine

