

STAFF REPORT ON PROPOSED LEGISLATION

To: Mayor Gavin Buckley

From: Douglas Remaley, Fire Chief

Date: January 5, 2022

Subject: O-1-22, Fire Prevention Code – Sprinkler Systems

The purpose of this ordinance is for "requiring property owners to install sprinkler systems; encouraging property owners to solicit bids from licensed minority business enterprises; identifying loan eligibility requirements under the sprinkler assistance revolving fund; clarifying costs that may be funded; establishing a loan amount; identifying loan repayment criteria; setting a date for sprinkler installation compliance; identifying the responsibility of applicable property owners; identifying the appropriate body for appeals; and generally relating to the Fire Prevention Code".

Staff fully supports all proposed changes and additions to Chapter 17.20. The staff believes all proposed changes and additions to Chapter 17.20 will tremendously increase the fire protection within the buildings as well increase the life safety for both the building occupants and the emergency responders throughout the City of Annapolis.

Prepared by Douglas Remaley, Fire Chief