ORDINANCE NO. 2019-26

INTRODUCED BY: MAYOR MICHAEL DYLAN BRENNAN

AN ORDINANCE ENACTING CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 1620.05 ENTITLED "INSPECTION REQUIRED PRIOR TO OCCUPANCY," MANDATING PRE-OCCUPANCY FIRE SAFETY INSPECTIONS FOR COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS.

WHEREAS, for the health safety and welfare of residents, the City's Fire Prevention Bureau has been reconstituted;

WHEREAS, the City's Fire Prevention Bureau has identified the need for further regulation of commercial structures in the form of pre-occupancy inspections, so that the City's Fire Department can ensure that applicable fire safety codes are met;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, OHIO THAT:

Section 1. Council hereby enacts Codified Ordinance Section 1620.05 entitled "Inspection Required Prior to Occupancy," to read in its entirety to read in its entirety as follows:

1620.05 INSPECTION REQUIRED PRIOR TO OCCUPANCY

In accordance with the Codified Ordinances of the City of University Heights, all commercial buildings, structures and/or premises shall undergo a fire safety inspection to be conducted by a representative of the University Heights Fire Prevention Bureau prior to any issuance of an occupancy permit by the City Building Commissioner. The Building Commissioner shall not issue any such commercial occupancy permit until such time as the City's Fire Prevention Bureau has deemed the commercial building, structure and/or premises in question to be fit for occupancy.

Section 2. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Council concerning and relating to the passage of this ordinance were adopted in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and any of its committees that resulted in such formal action, were in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements.

CITY OF UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, OHIO

MICHAEL DYLAN BRENNAN, MAYOR

FIRST READING: 5/06/2019

PASSED: 5/20/2019

ATTEST:

KELLY M. THOMAS, CLERK OF COUNCIL

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LUKE F. MCCONVILLE, LAW DIRECTOR