Chapter 6.10 - ALARM SYSTEM MONITORING COMPANIES—FIRE ALARM MONITORING COMPANIES

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Subchapter I - Alarm System Monitoring Companies

6.10.005 - Definitions.

The following definitions as well as the definitions contained in Chapters 5.30 and 10.08 of the Seattle Municipal Code shall be fully applicable to this Chapter 6.10 in its entirety, except as expressly stated to the contrary herein.

- A. "Alarm site" means the location at which a subscriber's alarm system is installed.
- B. "Alarm system" or "alarm device" means any system, device, or mechanism which, when activated, transmits a telephonic, wireless, electronic, video, or other form of message to an alarm system monitoring company, or some other number, or emits an audible or visible signal that can be heard or seen by persons outside the protected premises, or transmits a signal beyond the premises in some other fashion. An alarm system or alarm device may consist of one or more components (e.g., motion detector, window breach detector, or similar components) all reporting to a central unit/system panel which, in turn, is connected to or reports to an alarm system monitoring company via telephonic, wireless, electronic, video, or other form of message. For purposes of this chapter, a system, device, or mechanism primarily protecting a motor vehicle, or one designed to communicate a medical emergency, including but not limited to a panic alarm button or similar device, is not considered to be an alarm system or alarm device.
- C. "Alarm system monitoring company," means any individual, partnership, corporation, or other form of association that engages in the business of monitoring property, burglary, or robbery alarm systems and shall include self-monitored alarm businesses, as defined herein. For purposes of this chapter, alarm system monitoring companies include those dealers and installers who contract with a property owner, subscriber, or customer, to perform alarm system monitoring services and then subcontract with another alarm system monitoring company to provide the actual monitoring service.
- D. "Department" means the Department of Finance and Administrative Services of the City of Seattle.
- E. "False Alarm" means the notification to the Seattle Police Department or Seattle Fire Department concerning the activation of an alarm system or alarm device when:
 - 1. There is no evidence of a crime or other activity that warrants the assistance of the Seattle Police Department on the premises, as indicated by the investigation of a police officer on the scene or by the lack of a police report filed by the property owner, and no individual who was on or near the premises or who had viewed a video communication from the premises called for the dispatch or confirmed a need for police response; or
 - 2. There is no indication or presence of a fire on the premises, that warrants a call for assistance from or investigation by the Seattle Fire Department, and no individual who was on or near the premises or who had viewed a video communication from the premises called for the dispatch or confirmed a need for fire response; or
 - 3. The dispatch of police or fire personnel was cancelled by the alarm system monitoring company, whether the alarm was cancelled before or after the arrival of police or fire personnel at the alarm site.
- F. "Monitoring" means the process by which an alarm system monitoring company receives signals from an alarm system or alarm device.

- G. "Self-monitored alarm business" means any person required to obtain a Seattle business license pursuant to Chapter 6.208 who elects to internally monitor its own alarm systems or alarm devices and monitors three or more alarm systems or business locations located within the City limits.
- H. "Subscriber" means a person having or maintaining an alarm system or alarm device where such system is connected to or in communication with an alarm system monitoring company.

(Ord. <u>124963</u>, § 5, 2015; Ord. <u>123361</u>, § 201, 2010; Ord. <u>121932</u>, § 1, 2005; Ord. <u>121332</u>, § 1, 2003.)

6.10.010 - Alarm system monitoring companies—License required—Fee—Identification

- A. It is unlawful for any person to engage in business in the City of Seattle as an alarm system monitoring company without first having obtained an annual license to do so. An annual license is required regardless of whether alarms are monitored from a location inside or outside Seattle.
- B. The fee for such annual license is based upon two components:
 - 1. The following aggregate amount:
 - a. Zero to 100 Seattle monitored alarm systems: \$105 per annum;
 - b. 101 to 200 Seattle monitored alarm systems: \$209 per annum;
 - c. 201 to 500 Seattle monitored alarm systems: \$420 per annum;
 - d. Over 500 Seattle monitored alarm systems: \$523.00 per annum; and
 - \$10 per year for each property alarm, burglary alarm, robbery alarm, and panic alarm located in Seattle and monitored by the alarm system monitoring company at any time during the calendar year.
- C. When more than one alarm system monitoring company provides alarm system monitoring service to any one location, all such companies shall be jointly and severally liable for payment of all fees under subsection 6.10.010.B; provided, however, that:
 - It shall be the primary responsibility of the alarm system monitoring company actually providing the 24-hour monitoring service, pursuant to a written contract between the alarm system monitoring companies, to pay the license fee component set forth in subsection 6.10.010.B.1; and
 - The alarm system monitoring company that maintains the service contract directly with the subscriber is primarily responsible for the license fee component set forth in subsection 6.10.010.B.2.
- D. The Department will issue a permit number to each alarm system monitoring company licensed under this Chapter 6.10, and such number shall be provided on the company's business license. The Seattle Police Department shall reference this number as their Unique Identifying Number (UIN). All persons licensed pursuant to this Chapter 6.10 shall supply the Seattle Police Department personnel with their permit number/UIN at the time an alarm is called in to the Seattle Police Department.
- E. The license required pursuant to this Chapter 6.10 is separate from and in addition to any license required by any other chapter of the Seattle Municipal Code including, but not limited to, that required pursuant to Chapter 5.45, Business License Tax; Chapter 5.55, General Administrative Provisions; and Chapter 6.08, pertaining to burglar alarm installers.

(Ord. <u>125449</u>, § 2, 2017; Ord. <u>121932</u> § 2, 2005; Ord. <u>121332</u> § 1, 2003.)

6.10.015 - Annual license and due date.

- A. The annual license renewal fee shall be payable by an alarm system monitoring company on a calendar year basis. Licenses expire on December 31 in the calendar year in which they were issued and must be renewed and payment due by January 31 of the next year in order to avoid penalty.
- B. Application for, and renewal of, the annual license shall be on forms specified by the Director and shall be accompanied by the license fee. Each annual application for, or renewal of, a license shall contain a list of all addresses at which monitored alarm systems are installed, the name of the corresponding subscriber, customer number, if applicable, and the number of alarm systems at such address.

(Ord. 121932 § 3, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.020 - Calculation of fees.

- A. For new alarm system monitoring companies, the fee contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B1 shall be computed on the number of alarm systems monitored at the time of initial application.
- B. The license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B1 shall not be adjusted quarterly for the number of alarm systems monitored each quarter.
- C. The license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B2 shall be adjusted quarterly to reflect additional alarm systems first monitored during that quarter. Each alarm system monitoring company shall file quarterly, in the format specified by the Director, a list of all additional addresses at which it monitored alarms during such quarter, the name of the corresponding subscriber, and the number and types of alarms at such address. The quarterly report should also list the above information for alarm systems that have been discontinued or, if known, transferred to another alarm system monitoring company. The quarterly report shall be accompanied by payment of the additional Ten Dollars (\$10.00) per alarm system fee due, if any. See proration calculations in SMC Section 6.10.030 below.
- D. Each alarm system monitoring company shall file a quarterly report regardless of whether there have been any subscription changes or if any additional fees are due.

(Ord. 121932 § 4, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.025 - Exemption.

The Federal Government, its departments and institutions, the State of Washington, its departments or institutions, who respond to its own alarm systems with commissioned officers employed directly by such entities, shall be exempt from the alarm system monitoring business license fees established by SMC Section 6.10.010.

(Ord. <u>121932</u> § 5, 2005.)

6.10.030 - License fee proration.

- A. In calculating the license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B1, only the initial license fee will be prorated on a quarterly basis for applications made after the first quarter.
- B. The license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B2 will be prorated in equal amounts on a quarterly basis for alarm systems that begin to be monitored after the first quarter.

(Ord. 121932 § 6, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.035 - Change of subscriber location or monitoring company.

- An alarm system monitoring company shall not owe an additional licensing fee for any license fee that has been already paid under SMC Section 6.310.010 B2, when a subscriber moves their alarm site to another location within the City of Seattle; provided that, the alarm system monitoring company must provide the Director with information regarding the alarm site which has been moved, including but not limited to, the previous and new addresses of the alarm site and satisfactory proof of payment of the licensing fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B2. Such information must be provided in the next quarterly report due after the movement of the alarm site.
- B. A credit will be given for the prorated portion of the license fee contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B2 paid by another alarm monitoring company for the present year on an alarm system that is transferred from one company to another alarm system monitoring company; provided that, satisfactory proof that the license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B2 has been paid and is supplied to the Director.

(Ord. 121932 § 7, 2005.)

6.10.040 - Duty of licensee.

- A. It shall be the duty of all licensees granted licenses under this chapter to comply with all applicable regulations in this chapter or elsewhere, including, without limitation, SMC Chapter 10.08. The failure of any licensee to do so shall be a violation of this chapter and grounds to suspend or revoke the license.
- B. No licensee granted a license under this chapter shall allow any person who has had their alarm monitoring license revoked or suspended by the City of Seattle to have a financial or ownership interest in its business, or to be in its employ, within one year from the date of such revocation or suspension.

(Ord. 121932 § 8, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.050 - Licenses not transferable.

No license issued pursuant to this chapter shall be transferable unless in accordance with SMC Chapter 6.02. A person not previously licensed that assumes responsibility for monitoring alarms for which another person has paid the annual license fee shall obtain a new license for the remainder of the year by paying the license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.010 B1.

(Ord. 121932 § 9, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10,060 - Duty to inform subscribers of ordinance and billing policies.

All persons licensed pursuant to this chapter shall supply each of their system subscribers with copies of this chapter and chapter 10.08. Licensees who choose to bill their subscribers for any license fee imposed by this chapter shall give to each of their subscribers a copy of the licensee's policies and practices with respect to such billing.

(Ord. <u>121332</u> § 1, 2003.)

6.10.070 - Suspension or revocation of license.

The Director shall have the power and authority to suspend or revoke any license issued under the provisions of this chapter as set forth in SMC Chapter 6.02. No suspended or revoked license may be reinstated without prior payment of all fees due and outstanding, including false alarm fees. The Director

shall notify the Seattle Police Department of any revocation or suspension, and in the discretion of the Police Department, no response may be made to any alarms monitored by the alarm system monitoring company until the license is reinstated. An alarm system monitoring company whose license has been revoked or suspended shall notify each of its subscribers of the revocation or suspension. The notice shall be in writing and shall be mailed to all subscribers no later than the tenth calendar day following such suspension or revocation.

(Ord. <u>121332</u> § 1, 2003.)

6.10.080 - Penalty and interest for failure to pay.

- A. If a license application, renewal, quarterly report, or payment of any fee due under this chapter is received between one (1) and thirty (30) days after the date the fee becomes due, there shall be added to the amount due a penalty of ten percent (10%) of the fees owing or Twenty Dollars (\$20), whichever is greater. If the payment is received more than thirty (30) days after the date it becomes due, there will be added to the amount due a penalty of twenty percent (20%) of the fees owing or Thirty Dollars (\$30), whichever is greater.
- B. The licensee shall be notified by mail, or electronically as has been previously agreed upon between the Department and the alarm system monitoring company, of the amount of any penalties so added, and the same shall become due and shall be paid within ten (10) days from the date of such notice.
- C. Any fee required by this chapter that is not paid within ninety (90) days after the due date shall be subject to interest and calculated in the same manner as described in SMC Section 5.55.090 B pertaining to deficiency tax assessments. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to deem any fees required under this chapter to be a tax.

(Ord. 122270, § 10, 2006; Ord. 121932 § 10, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.090 - Violation—Civil penalties.

The failure of a person that engages in business in Seattle as an alarm system monitoring company to comply with any provision of this chapter shall be a civil infraction as contemplated by RCW Chapter 7.80 and subject as a Class 1 civil infraction under RCW 7.80.120(2) to a maximum monetary penalty and a default amount of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) plus statutory assessments. Each day of noncompliance shall be a separate violation, and the monetary penalties shall accumulate.

(Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.100 - Penalty for false alarms.

- A. The sending of an alarm by an alarm system monitoring company, which results in the dispatch of the police and subsequent arrival by the police at the alarm site shall be subject to a false alarm fee whenever there is no evidence of a crime or other activity that would warrant a call for police assistance or investigation at the premises; provided however, that no false alarm fee shall be assessed if any individual who was on or near the premises, or who had viewed a video communication from the premises, called for the dispatch and confirmed a need for police response. False alarm fees shall be imposed as follows:
 - 1. For each false property alarm \$115;
 - 2. For each false panic alarm \$230.
- B. In the event that police were dispatched to the premises and such dispatch was subsequently cancelled prior to the police officer(s) arrival at the alarm site, the alarm system monitoring company shall be subject to a false alarm fee of \$30.

(Ord. 123474, § 1, 2010; Ord. 121932 § 11, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.110 - Notice and hearing on penalty for false alarms.

- A. The Department shall mail by first class mail, or transmit electronically if previously agreed between the Department and the alarm system monitoring company, a written notice of the false alarm fee to the alarm system monitoring company. The notice shall state the date and time of the false alarm, and that the alarm system monitoring company is entitled to a hearing to respond to the notice and introduce any evidence to refute or mitigate the determination that the false alarm occurred. All false alarm fees are due and payable within sixty (60) days of the date that the Department mails or transmits the notice, unless: (1) an appeal is filed pursuant to subsection B of this section, in which case the fees appealed from are due and payable within ten (10) days after the date of the written ruling, or (2) a waiver is requested and an alarm user class is scheduled pursuant to subsection D of this section.
- B. An alarm system monitoring company wanting to contest a false alarm fee shall file a written appeal with the Director within thirty (30) days after the date of the notice. A hearing shall be held by the Director, or the Director's designee, not more than twenty (20) days from the date the appeal is filed. Within twenty (20) days after the hearing, the Department shall issue a written ruling including factual findings and the Director's conclusion, with supporting reasons affirming or reversing the notice. The Decision of the Director shall be final.
- C. The Director may, but is not required to, delegate authority to conduct hearings under this section to the Seattle Police Department.
- D. The Director may waive the first false alarm fee once within an eighty-four (84) month period per alarm site, if the owner of the monitored alarm attends an alarm user class as defined in Section 10.08.140 of the Seattle Municipal Code. The owner of the alarm must attend the class within one hundred and twenty (120) days of the date of the false alarm billing. A current Seattle subscriber that moves to a new address within Seattle shall receive a waiver for the first false alarm at the subscriber's new location if the owner attends a class after moving to the new location within one hundred twenty (120) days of the false alarm, regardless of whether the first time waiver was granted to the subscriber at the subscriber's previous address.

(Ord. 121932 § 12, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.120 - Criminal Conduct.

Unlawful conduct under SMC Sections 6.10.010 or 6.10.210, or the violation of or failure to comply with any provision of this chapter, or any rule or regulation, or final order of the Director or Hearing Examiner made pursuant to this chapter shall be a crime subject to the provisions of the Seattle Criminal Code. Any such crime under this chapter is punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment for a term of not more than six (6) months, or both.

(Ord. <u>121932</u> § 13, 2005.)

6.10.130 - Civil Violations.

- A. Any unlawful conduct under SMC Sections 6.10.010 or 6.10.210, or the violation of or failure to comply with any provision of this chapter, or any rule or regulation, or final order of the Director or Hearing Examiner made pursuant to this chapter shall be a civil violation punishable by a civil fine or forfeiture not to exceed Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).
- B. Each day of continued violation or noncompliance constitutes a separate offense.

(Ord. <u>121932</u> § 14, 2005.)

Subchapter II - Fire Alarm Monitoring Companies

6.10.205 - Definitions.

Except as otherwise specifically provided in this subchapter, the definitions contained in SMC Section 6.10.005 shall be fully applicable to fire alarm monitoring companies:

- A. "Fire alarm monitoring company" means any individual, partnership, corporation, or other form of association that is listed with Underwriters' Laboratories as a "Full Service Company" or "Monitoring Company," and engages in the business of monitoring fire alarm systems located within the City of Seattle. For the purposes of this chapter, fire alarm monitoring companies include those dealers and installers who contract with a property owner, subscriber, or customer, to perform fire alarm system monitoring services and then subcontract with another fire alarm monitoring company to provide the actual monitoring service.
- B. "Fire alarm system" means a system, or portion of a combination system, that is approved by the Seattle Fire Department and that consists of components and circuits arranged to monitor and annunciate the status of fire alarm or supervisory signal-initiating devices and to initiate the appropriate response to those signals. This definition includes fire protection sprinkler systems, as that term is defined in subsection C of this section, but does not include heat or smoke detectors that are installed in conjunction with property or burglary alarms as defined in SMC Section 10.08.140, and that are not approved by the Seattle Fire Department.
- C. "Fire Protection Sprinkler System" means an assembly of underground and/or overhead piping or conduit beginning at the connection to the primary water supply, whether public or private, that conveys water with or without other agents to dispersal openings or devices to extinguish, control, or contain fire and to provide protection from exposure to fire or other products of combustion and consisting of at least 100 sprinkler heads, except for structures constructed after August 15, 2004, for which such system shall consist of the number of sprinkler heads required by the Seattle Building Code and the Seattle Fire Code, as amended from time to time.

(Ord. 121932 § 15, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.210 - Fire alarm monitoring companies—License required—Fee.

- A. It is unlawful for a fire alarm monitoring company to engage in the business of monitoring fire alarm systems located within the City of Seattle without first having obtained an annual license to do so.
- B. The fee for such annual license is based upon two components:
 - The following aggregate amount:

Zero to 100 Seattle monitored fire alarm systems \$100.00 per annum;

101 to 200 Seattle monitored fire alarm systems \$200.00 per annum;

201 to 500 Seattle monitored fire alarm systems \$400.00 per annum;

Over 500 Seattle monitored fire alarm systems \$500.00 per annum; and

- 2. One of the following amounts for each fire alarm system located in Seattle and monitored by the fire alarm monitoring company at any time during the calendar year:
 - a. Fire alarm systems serving structures five or more stories or structures exceeding 200,000 square feet in building floor area \$693.00 per fire alarm system, per annum; or

- b. Fire alarm systems serving structures that are 3 or 4 stories and less than 200,000 square feet in building floor area \$223.00 per fire alarm system, per annum; or
- c. Fire alarm systems serving structures less than three stories and less than 200,000 square feet in building floor area \$76.00 per fire alarm system, per annum.
- C. A fire alarm monitoring company that has paid an alarm system monitoring company license fee as required in SMC Section 6.10.010 B1, will not have to pay a fire alarm monitoring company license fee as required in SMC Section 6.10.210 B1, provided that all monitored fire alarm systems were used to compute the number of all alarm systems (both fire alarm and alarm systems) in SMC Section 6.10.010 B1.
- D. When more than one fire alarm monitoring company is involved with providing fire alarm system monitoring service to any one location, all such companies shall be jointly and severally liable for payment of all fees under subsection B, provided, however, that:
 - It shall be the responsibility of the fire alarm monitoring company actually providing twenty-four (24) hour monitoring service, pursuant to a written contract between the fire alarm monitoring companies, to pay the license fee component set forth in subsection B1 of this section; and
 - The fire alarm monitoring company which maintains the service contract directly with the subscriber shall be primarily responsible for the license fee component set forth in subsection B2 of this section.
- E. Modifications or upgrades to a fire alarm system originally serving an alarm site will be considered as part of one alarm system for the purpose of calculating license fees, regardless of the number of system panels. At the discretion of the Director, and upon recommendation by the Fire Marshall, the Director may waive or adjust such fees as necessary and appropriate.
- F. A heat or smoke detector that is installed in conjunction with a property or burglar alarm shall be subject only to the annual license fees and related provisions contained in subchapter I of this chapter.
- G. The license required pursuant to this subchapter is separate from and in addition to any license required by any other chapter of the Seattle Municipal Code including, but not limited to, that required pursuant to Chapter 5.45, Business License Tax; Chapter 5.55, General Administrative Provisions; and Chapter 6.08, pertaining to burglar alarms installers.
- H. The issuance and renewal of a license pursuant to this subchapter is conditioned upon the fire alarm monitoring company's continuing conformance with all requirements of the Seattle Fire Code and the Seattle Fire Department Administrative Rules for central station monitoring.

(Ord. <u>121932</u> § 16, 2005; Ord. <u>121332</u> § 1, 2003.)

6.10.215 - Annual license and due date.

- A. The annual license renewal fee shall be payable by the fire alarm monitoring company on a calendar year basis. Licenses expire on December 31 in the calendar year in which they were issued and must be renewed and payment due by January 31 of the next year in order to avoid penalty.
- B. Application for, and renewal of, the annual license shall be on forms specified by the Director and shall be accompanied by the license fee. Each annual application for, or renewal of, a license shall contain a list by fee category of all buildings in which the applicant monitors fire alarm systems, showing the street address for each building where the applicant monitors fire alarm systems; the number of fire alarm systems monitored by the applicant in each individual listed building; and the name, addresses and telephone number for the owner of each monitored fire alarm system.

(Ord. 121932 § 17, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.220 - Calculation of fees.

- A. For new fire alarm monitoring companies, the fee contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B1 shall be computed on the number of fire alarm systems monitored at the time of initial application.
- B. The license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B1 shall not be adjusted quarterly for the number of fire alarm systems monitored each quarter.
- C. The license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B2 shall be adjusted quarterly to reflect additional fire alarm systems first monitored during that quarter. Each fire alarm monitoring company shall file quarterly, in the format specified by the Director, a list of all additional addresses at which it monitored fire alarms during such quarter, the name of the corresponding subscriber, and the number of fire alarms at such address. The quarterly report should also list fire alarm systems that have been discontinued or, if known, transferred to another fire alarm monitoring company. The quarterly report shall be accompanied by payment of the additional per-fire-alarm-system fee due, if any. See proration calculations in SMC Section 6.10.230 below.
- Each fire alarm monitoring company shall file a quarterly report regardless of whether any additional fees are due.

(Ord. 121932 § 18, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.230 - License fee proration.

- A. In calculating the license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B1, only the initial license fee will be prorated on a quarterly basis for applications made after the first quarter.
- B. The license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B2 will be prorated in equal amounts on a quarterly basis for fire alarm systems that begin to be monitored after the first quarter.

(Ord. 121932 § 19, 2005; Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.235 - Change of subscriber location or monitoring company.

- A. A fire alarm monitoring company shall not owe an additional licensing fee for any license fee that has been already paid under SMC Section 6.10.210 B2, when a subscriber moves their alarm site to another location within the City of Seattle; provided that, the fire alarm monitoring company must provide the Director with information regarding the alarm site which has been moved, including but not limited to, the previous and new addresses of the alarm site and satisfactory proof of payment of the licensing fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B2. Such information must be provided in the next quarterly report due after the movement of the alarm site.
- B. A credit will be given for the prorated portion of the license fee contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B2 paid by another fire alarm monitoring company for the present year on a fire alarm system that is transferred from one company to another fire alarm monitoring company; provided that, satisfactory proof that the license fee component contained in SMC Section 6.10.210 B2 has been paid and is supplied to the Director.

(Ord. 121932 § 20, 2005.)

6.10.240 - Duty of licensee; License not transferable; Duty to inform subscribers; Penalty and interest for failure to pay; Violation—Civil penalties.

The provisions applicable to alarm system monitoring companies contained in SMC 6.10.040, 6.10.050, 6.10.060, 6.10.080, and 6.10.090 shall be applicable to fire alarm monitoring companies as if

fully set forth herein. Reference in these sections to the Seattle Police Department shall be construed in this subchapter as reference to the Seattle Fire Department. Reference in the above sections to alarm system monitoring companies shall be construed in this subchapter as reference to fire alarm monitoring companies. This chapter does not modify any provision of SMC 12A.60.105, and is not intended to impose any penalty for activating or triggering a false fire alarm.

(Ord. 121332 § 1, 2003.)

6.10.250 - Suspension or revocation of license.

The Director shall have the power and authority to suspend or revoke any license issued under the provisions of this chapter as set forth in SMC Chapter 6.02. No suspended or revoked license may be reinstated without prior payment of all fees due and outstanding. A fire alarm monitoring company whose license has been revoked or suspended shall notify each of its subscribers of the revocation or suspension. The notice shall be in writing and shall be mailed to all subscribers no later than the tenth calendar day following such suspension or revocation.

(Ord. <u>121332</u> § 1, 2003.)