

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, January 3, 2007

TIME: 1:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter

PLACE: Room 317 City Hall, 350 South 5th Street

RE: A hearing will be conducted regarding Chapter 176 of City ordinance to consider revisions to the Alarm ordinance and requirements in the City.

On Wednesday, January 3, 2007 at 1:00 p.m. or shortly thereafter, the Public Safety and Regulatory Services Committee of the Minneapolis City Council will consider changing City ordinance that relate to burglary alarms to better utilize City resources.

Highlights of the Ordinance Changes:

- Due to the enhance services enjoyed by people with monitored alarms, an annual alarm registration fee will be required.
- The City's cost to responding to alarms is approximately \$800,000.00 annually. The City recoups approximately \$300,000.00 of that cost from false alarm fee paid by the alarm users. There remains a gap of \$500,000.00 of City cost.
- Residential alarm sites will pay an annual fee of \$15.00.
- Commercial alarm sites will pay an annual fee of \$40.00.

You are invited to be present at the public hearing to express your opinion or inform this office of you approval or disapproval of the proposed ordinance amendments in writing.

A complete copy of the proposed ordinance can be faxed to you by calling License Inspector Linda Roberts at 612-673-3908.

Sincerely,

Ricardo Cervantes, Director
Licenses and Consumer Services