#### **ORDINANCE NO. 1 of 2014**

An ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 3 of 2013 for the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, by the repeal, amendment, revision, and/or re-enactment of Sections 1 through 8, all relative to the adoption of the most current provisions of the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code pursuant to the requirements and mandates of La.R.S. 40:1730.21, et seq, to provide for the enforcement thereof, authority for cooperative agreements with other governmental entities and services from third parties, the adoption and promulgation of a fee schedule, an effective date thereof, and all matters related thereto.

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, duly convened in regular session on the <u>10th</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2014, that:

Ordinance No. 3 of 2013 of the Code of Ordinances for the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, be amended by the repeal, revision, and re-enactment of Sections 1 through 8, and to now read as follows:

### Section 1. Adoption of Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code.

A. The Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code as adopted and amended by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council is hereby adopted by the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, for the purpose of the regulation of the construction, reconstruction, alteration, repair, installation of mechanical devices and equipment, the use, occupancy, and maintenance of every building or structure, or any appurtenance

connected or attached to such buildings or structures, excluding farm structures and recreational camps. The Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code, as may from time to time be amended, is incorporated as fully as if set out in length herein and shall be controlling within the corporate limits of the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana.

- B. Those provisions of the following nationally recognized codes and standards, as may from time to time be amended and/or adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council (LSUCCC), are hereby adopted fully by reference, to-wit:
- 1. International Building Code, including Chapter 1 Administration, NFPA 101, and NEC enforced by state fire marshals. The applicable standards referenced in that code are included for regulation of construction within the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, and the specific appendices referenced by name or letter designation adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.
- 2. International Existing Building Code, including Chapter 1-Administration and the standards referenced in that code for regulation of construction within the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, and the specific appendices referenced by name or letter designation adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.
- 3. International Residential Code, including Parts I Administration, V Mechanical and VII Electrical. The enforcement of such standards shall be mandatory only with respect to new construction, reconstruction, additions to homes previously built to the International Residential Code, and extensive alterations. The applicable standards

referenced in that code are included for regulation of construction within the City of Krotz Springs, Louisiana. Appendix J - Existing Building and Structures is also included for mandatory regulation of construction within the Town of Krotz Springs and the specific appendices referenced by name or letter designation adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.

- 4. International Mechanical Code, and the standards referenced in that code for regulation of construction within the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, and the specific appendices referenced by name or letter designation adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.
- 5. The Louisiana State Plumbing Code, [Part XIV (Plumbing) of the State Sanitary Code] as amended by the state health officer acting through the Office of Public Health of the Department of Health and Hospitals. Nothing in this Part shall be construed so as to prevent the state health officer from enforcing Part XIV (Plumbing) of the State Sanitary Code, the enforcement of which is his statutory and regulatory responsibility.
- 6. International Fuel Gas Code, and the standards referenced in that code for regulation of construction within the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, and the specific appendices referenced by name or letter designation adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.
- 7. National Electrical Code, and the standards referenced in that code for regulation of construction within the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, and the specific

appendices referenced by name or letter designation adopted by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council.

# Section 2. Appointment of City Inspector, Certification, and Enforcement Authority.

- A. The City Inspector shall be that employee of the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, so designated by the Mayor in his capacity as the Chief Executive Officer for the City.
- B. The Building Official and Inspector shall enforce only the international codes and regulations specifically adopted in this article, as amended and as mandated under the provisions of *La.R.S.* 40:1730.21, et seq.
- C. The City Inspector and any official/inspector shall become certified in accordance with the requirements for certification and education of code enforcement officers, code enforcement inspectors, and building officials as required by the Louisiana State Uniform Construction Code Council, all in accordance with law.

# Section 3. Authorization for Cooperative Agreements and Enforcement Services from Certified Third Party Providers.

A. The Mayor of the Town of Krotz Springs is hereby authorized, with approval by the Board of Aldermen, to negotiate, establish, and execute cooperative agreements with other governmental entities of the State of Louisiana, parishes and/or municipalities, and/or to engage by contract certified third party providers to provide services, including, but not limited to, the review of plans, inspection of premises,

enforcement, training, and/or other services as may be necessary and appropriate in his sole discretion, including discharging the duties of the officials referenced in Section 2.

B. The Mayor of the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, is hereby further authorized and empowered to negotiate, fix, and/or accept fees and charges which are established by the State of Louisiana or other parish or municipality and/or to negotiate fees and charges with certified third party providers in his sole discretion.

#### Section 4. Permits and Fees.

The fees set forth in Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 3 of 2013, shall be imposed and collected by the duly designated agent of the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, prior to the issuance of any building permit. In connection therewith, any applicant for a building permit shall, contemporaneously with the application, present to the said agent plans, specifications, and/or blueprints setting in precise numbers the total square footage of the proposed building. The building permit fee shall then be imposed in accordance with the schedule set forth in Exhibit A to Ordinance No. 3 of 2013.

All outbuildings such as detached garages, workshops, sheds, pool houses, and the like shall be permitted on a square footage basis as set forth herein. Furthermore, all towers, pylon signs, and related structures shall be permitted at the rate of \$5.00 per \$1,000.00 cost or value, with a minimum fee of \$75.00.

All electrical hookup costs and any transfer of electrical services from one person or firm to another are hereby fixed at \$25.00.

In the event that any person, firm, or juridical entity commences any construction activities without first obtaining a permit and the payment of fees which are required, then such permit fees due shall be double the amount which would otherwise be due under the provisions of this Chapter.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED by the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, duly convened in regular session on the 10th day of March, 2014, that the provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any provision, word, phrase, or clause of this ordinance or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** by the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, duly convened in regular session on the <u>10th</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2014, that this ordinance shall become effective immediately upon signature of the Mayor.

UPON MOTION of Bill Bryson, seconded by Andre Lanclos, and upon written verification and assurances that the foregoing ordinance was:

- 1. Introduced on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014, at the regular meeting of the Mayor and Board of Aldermen for the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana;
- 2. Disseminated to the Mayor and all aldermen;
- 3. Published, by title, in the official journal of the Town of Krotz Springs, Louisiana, together with notice of the time and place of its consideration for formal adoption; and
- 4. Presented at a public hearing held on the 10th day of March, 2014.

The Board of Aldermen on the <u>10th</u> day of <u>March</u>, 2014, adopted Ordinance Number 1 of 2014 by virtue of the following votes:

YEAS:

Bill Bryson, Andre Lanclos, Cindy Stelly, Keith Ardoin

NAYS:

None

ABSENT:

Nyssa Godwin

AND THIS ORDINANCE is hereby declared adopted as of this 10th day of

March, 2014.

ATTEST:

TOWN CLERK

APPROVED:

MAYOR

DATE