

## CHAPTER 155

# BUILDING PERMITS

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**155.01 PERMIT REQUIRED.** No structure shall be built within the City without first obtaining a building permit therefor from the office of the Clerk.

**155.02 POWERS AND DUTIES.** It is the duty of the Clerk to administer this chapter. The Clerk shall:

1. Receive all applications for building permits required by this chapter and take action on the applications.
2. Investigate all appropriate facts and conditions of the permit application as this Code of Ordinances requires.
3. Insure inspection of buildings, structures, and uses of land to determine compliance with the general welfare and safety of the City.
4. Upon positive analysis the Clerk may issue the building permit and maintain records thereof.
5. Upon negative analysis the Clerk forwards the application to the Council for approval.

**155.03 FILING.** Every application for a building permit shall be filed with the Clerk, accompanied by plans drawn to a scale showing the following:

1. The actual shape and dimensions of the lot to be built upon or to be changed in its use, in whole or in part;
2. The exact locations, size, and height of any building or structure to be erected or altered;
3. In the case of a proposed new building or structure or proposed alteration of an existing building or structure as would substantially alter its appearance, drawings or sketches showing the front, side, and rear elevations of the proposed building or structure, or of the structure as it will appear after the work for which the permit is sought shall have been completed;
4. The existing and intended use of each building or structure or part thereof;
5. The number of families or housekeeping units the building is designed to accommodate; and
6. Such other information with regard to the lot and neighboring lots as may be necessary to determine and provide for the general welfare and safety of the City.

**155.04 FEE.** There shall be a fee of \$25.00 for the issuance of building permits by the City. All building permits issued under this chapter shall expire and be null and void 12 months from the date of issuance.

**155.05 POSTING.** All building permits shall be clearly posted and readily visible from the public street abutting the front lot line.

**155.06 RECORDS.** The Clerk shall keep accurate records pertaining to actions necessary to carry out the duties of this chapter; these records shall be on file for public inspection.

## **ORDINANCE NO. 2024-7**

### **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF MURRAY, IOWA, 2022, BY AMENDING PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO BUILDING PERMITS**

**BE IT ENACTED** by the City Council of the City of Murray, Iowa:

**SECTION 1. SECTION MODIFIED.** Chapter 155, Section 155.02, Section 155.03 Item 3 & Section 155.04 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Murray, Iowa, 2022, is repealed and the following adopted in lieu thereof:

**155.02 POWERS AND DUTIES.** It is the duty of the clerk to administer this chapter. The clerk shall:

1. Receive all applications for building permits required by this chapter.
2. Provide applications to Mayor and Council for review.
  - a. Investigate all appropriate facts and conditions of the permit application as the Code of Ordinance requires.
  - b. Ensure inspection of buildings, structures, and uses of land to determine compliance with the general welfare and safety of the city.
3. Upon positive analysis by the Mayor and Council the Clerk may issue the building permit and maintain records thereof.

**155.03 FILING.** Every application for a building permit shall be filed with the Clerk, accompanied by plans drawn to a scale showing the following:

3. In the case of a proposed new residential home, the minimum square footage allowed is 800 sq ft. In the case of a proposed new building or structure or proposed alteration of an existing building or structure as would substantially alter its appearance, drawings or sketches showing the front, side, and rear elevations of the proposed building or structure, or of the structure as it will appear after the work for which the permit is sought shall have completed;

**155.04 FEE.** There shall be a fee of \$50.00 for the issuance of building permits by the City that is to be paid when the permit is turned in to the City Clerk. All building permits issued under this chapter shall expire and be null and void 12 months from the date of issuance.

**SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY CLAUSE.** If any section, provision or part of this ordinance shall be adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, such adjudication shall not affect the validity of the

ordinance as a whole or any section, provision or part thereof not adjudged invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 3. WHEN EFFECTIVE.** This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its final passage, approval and publication as provided by law.

Passed by the Council the 14th day of February, 2024, and approved this 14th day of February, 2024.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

City Clerk

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Third Reading Waived 2-14-24

I certify that the foregoing was published as Ordinance No. 2024-7 on the \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

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City Clerk