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NEW FALSE ALARM ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT

On June 1, 2012, the Tucson Police Department will begin enforcing the new false alarm ordinance that went into effect on April 1, 2012, and the appropriate fees for false alarms will be assessed based on the alarm user's registration status. The Tucson Police Department had allowed a 60-day grace period for alarm users to register their alarms after the new ordinance's implementation on April 1, 2012. Those alarm users who have not registered their alarms with the Tucson Police Department as of June 1, 2012 will be subject to a higher false alarm assessment.

The new alarm ordinance requires an annual \$20 registration fee. In addition to the annual registration fee, fees related to false alarms were significantly reduced, and violations of the alarm ordinance are no longer cited into City Court. Alarm users have the option to "opt out" of registering, but to do so foregoes police response on any unconfirmed burglary alarm and results in a higher false alarm fee should police officers respond to a false alarm. Alarm users can register their alarms on-line at www.tucsonaz.gov/police and click on "Alarm Information." Currently, on-line payment options are not available, but payment can be made in person at any of the following locations:

- Westside Police Service Center at 1310 West Miracle Mile (520) 791- 4440; Impound Lobby (for payments) / Primary Alarm Office location
- City Hall at 255 West Alameda Street (520) 791-4583
- County/City Public Works at 201 North Stone (Development Services Center Building) (520) 791-5550
- Eastside City Hall at 7575 East Speedway (520) 791-4652 **Closed Noon to 1 p.m.**
- Patrick K. Hardesty Midtown Multi-Service Center at 1100 South Alvernon (520) 791-5779 **Closed Noon to 1 p.m.**
- General Services Department Price Service Center at 4004 South Park Avenue #1 (520) 791-4226
Closed Noon to 1 p.m.

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For accommodations; materials in accessible formats; foreign language interpreters; and/or materials in a language other than English, please contact the Tucson Police Department Public Information Office at (520) 791-4852 or (520) 791-2639 for TDD at least five (5) business days in advance. Para arreglos; materiales en formatos accesibles; interpretes de idioma extranjero; y/o materiales en otro idioma que no sea inglés, por favor comunicarse al Departamento de la Policía de Tucson a la sección de Información Pública al (520) 791-4852 o (520) 791-2639 para TDD por lo menos con cinco (5) días hábiles de anticipación.



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- Water Department at 310 West Alameda Street (520) 791-2622

Additionally, payment can be made through the mail by sending a check in the amount of \$20 made payable to “City of Tucson” in addition to a copy of the registration form completed on-line to:

Westside Police Service Center
Attention: Alarm Unit
1310 West Miracle Mile
Tucson, AZ 85705

To see the full alarm ordinance, visit www.tucsonaz.gov/police and click on the “Alarm Information” link. For any other questions, please contact Sergeant Beam of the Tucson Police Department Alarm Unit at (520) 837-7223 or Officer Parrish at (520) 837-7318.

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