ORDINANCE NO. 2023-8

CITY OF WATKINS MEEKER COUNTY, MINNESOTA

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING DEMOLITION AND WRECKING OF BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF WATKINS

The City Council of the City of Watkins, Minnesota hereby ordains:

CHAPTER 53: DEMOLITION AND WRECKING OF BUILDINGS

53.01 License Required

53.02 Fee

53.03 Licensing Requirements

Sec. 53.01 License required; exceptions.

(a)License. No person shall engage in the business of, or do any work on, wrecking or demolishing any building or structure in Watkins without a license.

(b)Permit in certain cases. The owner of any one- or two-family dwelling may be issued, upon proof of ownership, a permit authorizing the wrecking of any accessory building on the premises, including, but not limited to, garages, sheds, barns and other structures not designed or intended for human habitation, without the necessity of obtaining a license under this chapter, surety bond or certificate of extermination.

Sec. 53.02. – Fee.

The fee required is as set forth in Watkins City Fee Schedule Ordinance.

Sec. 53.03. - Licensing requirements.

(a)Surety bond. The applicant shall file a surety bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) to indemnify and hold the City of Watkins harmless from all damages, judgments, losses, claims, suits or liabilities of every kind growing out of the wrecking or demolition of any building.

(b)Certificate of extermination. Further, no permit shall be issued as herein provided for the wrecking, demolition or tearing down of any building or structure in the city until satisfactory evidence is furnished that a licensed pest control company has exterminated all nuisance pests, including wood-destroying insects, from the structure and premises.

1. This Ordinance shall be effective upon publication

2. The following is the official summary of Ordinance No. 2023-8 approved by the City Council on August 10, 2023:

The City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2023-8, AN ORDINANCE REGULATING DEMOLITION AND WRECKING OF BUILDINGS IN THE CITY OF WATKINS. The Ordinance shall require licensing, fees and permits in certain cases for wrecking or demolishing any building or structure within the City of Watkins.

A copy of the entire Ordinance is available for inspection during regular hours at City Hall. A copy of the entire text of the Ordinance shall be posted at Watkins City Hall, 111 Central Avenue South, Watkins MN.

3. Publication of the title and summary of Ordinance No. 2023-8, An Ordinance Regulating Demolition and Wrecking of Buildings in the City of Watkins, clearly informs the public of the Ordinance's intent and effect.

4. Four-fifths (4/5) of the City Council's member direct the City Clerk to publish only the title and summary of Ordinance No. 2023-8.

This Ordinance was adopted this 10th day of August, 2023.

Christopher Rowan, Mayor

ATTEST: (SEAL)

Debra Kramer, City Clerk