## **ORDINANCE NO. 688**

## AN ORDINANCE

FOR THE CITY OF AUSTIN, MINNESOTA AMENDING SECTION 4.26, ADDING "UNOCCUPIED" TO THE DEFINITION OF VACANT PROPERTY

The Common Council of the City of Austin does ordain:

- SECTION 1. Section 4.26, of City Code Chapter 4, shall be amended to add the following:
- Subd. 2(H): **Unoccupied building:** Any building not occupied consistent with its primary intended use for a period of 120 days or more.
- Subd. 5(A)(1): "The owner or responsible party shall register a vacant building or <u>an</u> <u>unoccupied building</u>..."
- Subd. 5(B)(4): "If a building has remained <u>a</u> vacant <u>building</u> for a period of 365 consecutive days . . . "
- Subd. 6: "A new owner shall register or re-register a vacant building or an unoccupied building . . . "
- Subd. 7: "... may conduct inspections on any vacant building or unoccupied building ..."
- Subd. 8: "Maintenance of vacant buildings and unoccupied buildings: The owner of a vacant building or an unoccupied building shall comply . . . "
  - (A): "All vacant buildings shall be maintained . . . "
  - (B): "All vacant buildings shall be secured . . . "
  - (C)(1): "Owners of non-residential vacant buildings shall maintain . . ."
    - (2): "The owner of any vacant building shall remove . . ."
  - (H): "as part of an approved vacant building property plant."
  - (J)(3): "The owner shall maintain the vacant building . . ."
  - (K): "The owner of any vacant building shall keep the building . . . "
  - (L): "All alarm systems in any vacant building or portion thereof . . . "
- (M): "... in the  $\frac{1}{2}$  building or on the real property upon which the  $\frac{1}{2}$  building is located."
- Subd. 9: "... in any vacant building or unoccupied building ..."
- Subd. 10: "... remove tiems from a vacant building, unoccupied building, or the property upon which it is located ..."

Passed by a vote of yeas and nays this 21st day of December, 2020

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ATTEST:

City Recorder

APPROVED:

Mayor

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