

## DIVISION 4. MOVING OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES\*

### Sec. 4-206. Permit required; application.

(a) No building or other structure shall be moved over the streets of the City unless a permit has been granted by the Common Council, except as provided in §4-211.

(b) Any person wishing to move a building over the streets of the City shall make application to the Director of Public Works on a form provided by the Director of Public Works. Such application shall also be signed by the owner of the property to which the building is to be moved.

(Code 1965, §15.08(1), (2))

**Cross reference(s)**-Street, sidewalks and other public places, ch. 16; traffic and vehicles, ch. 19.

### Sec. 4-207. Issuance of permit; permit fee.

No permit shall be granted by the Common Council for the moving of buildings over the streets of the City without the following conditions being met:

- (1) The axle load shall be such that there will be no damage to the road surface as determined by the Director of Public Works.
- (2) The building shall be of such length, height and width that, in the opinion of the ~~Municipal Services Committee~~ Director of Public Works, it will not unreasonably interfere with power lines, trees and other structures along the route to be traveled.
- (3) No building shall be moved over a bridge in the City unless it can be shown to the satisfaction of the Director of Public Works that such move will not result in undue stress on or physical damage to the bridge.
- (4) The applicant shall file with the City Clerk proof of workers compensation, automobile and general liability insurance equal to or greater than that required by the City and approved by the City's Risk Manager, which shall be kept in full force and effect for one (1) year after the building has been moved.
- (5) The applicant shall file with the Department of Public Works a permit bond in the penal sum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000) executed by the applicant as principal and a surety company authorized to do business in the State of Wisconsin, running in favor of the City so that in the event the City should suffer any loss or damage by any negligence, malfeasance or misfeasance in the conduct of the work of this section shall have the right to institute an action for recovery against the applicant and the surety upon such bond. The bond must further state that the applicant shall fully comply with all provisions of State law and City ordinances and that the applicant will save and indemnify the City against any costs, expenses or damages which may in any way accrue against the City due to the work of this section, and will keep the City harmless against all liabilities, judgments, costs and expenses as a consequence of the work.

(6) The applicant shall pay to the Director of Finance a fee as provided in §4-161(7).

(Code 1965, §15.08(4); Ord 73-89, §1, 6-7-89; Ord 4-93, §1, 1-6-93; Ord 9-97, §1, 2-19-97; Ord 38-12, §1, 5-16-12; Ord 100-16, §1, 12-13-16)

### Sec. 4-208. Approval of relocation in city; old buildings.

(a) No building shall be moved from one location to another location within the City without the conditions provided in this division being met.

(b) The Inspection Supervisor shall issue a building permit for the relocation of the building in compliance with

all building and zoning regulations, provided that the permit has been approved by the Municipal Services Committee and the Common Council.

(c) The Inspection Supervisor shall notify the alderperson of the ward and all property owners within 100 feet of the proposed relocation of the date and time of the Municipal Services meeting where the proposed relocation will be heard.

~~—(d) A relocation shall not be made if there is a protest of the relocation duly signed and acknowledged by the owners of twenty percent (20%) or more of the land immediately adjacent to the property extending one hundred (100) feet therefrom or by the owners of twenty percent (20%) or more of the land directly opposite thereto extending one hundred (100) feet from the street frontage of such opposite land, unless so granted by a three-fourths (¾) vote of the Common Council.~~

~~—(e) No building shall be moved from one location to another location within the City if the building has been in existence more than fifty percent (50%) of its estimated life expectancy as set forth in Boeckh's *Manual of Appraisals Depreciation Table for Buildings*.~~

~~(fd) No old-existing building shall be moved from outside the corporate limits of the City to within the corporate limits of the City. Newly constructed factory-built homes and parts thereof may be moved from outside the City to within the City in compliance with all other provisions of this division. The permit fee for the move to the first permanent location shall be as provided in §4-161(7). The Chief of Police may require a police escort for moving factory-built housing and, if required, a fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour per man shall be charged.~~

~~(ge) No old-existing building shall be moved to a new location within the City unless it fully complies with or is remodeled to fully comply with all minimum requirements of the plumbing, heating and ventilating, building and housing and electrical codes for new construction.  
(Code 1965, §15.08(6); Ord 32-92, §1, 3-18-92; Ord 174-93, §1, 10-19-93; Ord 118-96, §1, 12-18-96, Ord 108-04, §1, 8-10-04; Ord 39-12, §1, 5-16-12)~~

#### **Sec. 4-209. Route, time limits and safety requirements.**

(a) Every permit issued under this division shall state all conditions to be complied with and designate the route to be taken and the limit of time for removal.

(b) The moving of the building shall be continuous during all hours of the day, and day by day, ~~if the Common Council, Mayor or Director of Public Works so orders,~~ until the moving is completed, to cause the least possible obstruction to streets, unless otherwise ordered by the Director of Public Works.

~~—(c) No building shall be allowed to remain overnight on any street crossing or intersection.~~

(dc) Red warning lights shall be placed conspicuously at both ends of the building during the night.

(ed) The mover of the building shall report daily to the Police and Fire Department the location of the building on the street.

~~(f) If a building being moved must remain stationary on a street for any period of time, permission for such shall be obtained from the Mayor and Director of Public Works and the building shall be so placed as to permit easy access to any fire hydrant.  
(Code 1965, §15.08(3))~~

#### **Sec. 4-210. Supervision of operation; trimming of trees.**

The mover of the building to whom a permit has been granted under this division shall notify the Director of Public Works of the time when moving is to begin. The Director of Public Works may appoint an inspector to be present during the moving operation to supervise such moving. The appointment of an inspector in no way relieves the mover from any liability for damage that may be done during the moving operation. The Director of Public Works

may also ~~request-instruct~~ the Forestry Division to trim the necessary trees along the route. The costs of the inspector and tree trimmers ~~shall~~may be billed at actual cost to the mover.  
(Code 1965, §15.08(5), Ord 40-12, §1, 5-16-12)

**Sec. 4-211. Small buildings; buildings to be moved out of city.**

(a) Smaller buildings of one story in height and not more than fourteen (14) feet wide including cornice may be moved on a truck or trailer equipped with pneumatic tires.

(b) The permit required for moving any building from a location in the city to a location outside the city may be issued by the Engineering Division provided all conditions required for moving buildings shall be met.

(c) In the case of small buildings all conditions shall be met except §4-207(6) and the following shall apply:

(1) A police escort shall be required if a bridge is to be crossed;

(2) The fee shall be five dollars (\$5.00) per one hundred (100) square feet of the area of the building.  
(Code 1965, §15.08(7); Ord 73-89, §1, 6-7-89)

**Sec. 4-212. Police escort.**

Whenever a permit is issued for the moving of a building, a police escort ~~shall~~may be required ~~and may be required when moving factory built houses or other small buildings pursuant to §4-211(c).~~ A fee of twenty dollars (\$20.00) per hour per man assigned to the escort ~~shall~~may be charged.  
(Code 1965, §15.08(8))