CITY OF BLOOMFIELD

Staff Summary

** ACTION ITEM**

Council Meeting of: July 2, 2020

Prepared By: Andrew Morris

Department: Administration/Fire Department

Department Head: Andrew Morris

City Administrator Approval: Andrew Morris

AGENDA TITLE:

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___ **Public hearing required if this line is checked.**

DISCUSSION: At present the City does not have an ordinance that addresses above ground residential pools. Two cities, Oskaloosa, and Burlington do not require permits for above ground pools. The City of Fairfield does not issue permits for pools greater than four feet. I sent Heather a list of regulations I picked up from other cities. She established permit fees of $5.00 for both above and below ground pools.

Pools with a depth in excess of eighteen inches shall require an enclosure of no less than five feet. Pools must have a filter and six foot climable fence. Residential pools can not be located less than four feet from a side or rear lot line. Pools must have access gates and shall be equipped with a locking mechanism. The pedestrian gates shall open outward away from the pool, and shall be self-closing with a self-latching device. Residential pools shall be located in the rear yard of the property.

In consultation with Chief McClure, we thought it best to incorporate these regulations into Code and action in January of 2021. This will allow Fire Department personnel to gain a better knowledge of regulations set forth for residential swimming pools.

RECOMMENDATION: Consider and discuss above and below ground residential swimming pool regulations.

Source of Funds: NA  Budgeted Item: NA  Budget Amendment Needed: NA
CITY OF BLOOMFIELD, IOWA

ORDINANCE NO # _________________________

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BLOOMFIELD, IOWA, BY AMENDING CHAPTER 165, IN REGARD TO ZONING REGULATIONS.

BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMFIELD, IOWA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1: That Chapter 165 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Bloomfield, Iowa is hereby amended, as follows:

165.17(6)

All swimming and wading pools shall be constructed and equipped according to current ordinances of the City of Bloomfield, Iowa, Code of Iowa and all rules and regulations of the Iowa Department of Health. The location of the swimming and wading pools shall be approved by the Planning and Zoning Commission and City Council of the City of Bloomfield, Iowa.

Definition of a Residential Swimming Pool: A water-filled enclosure accessory to a one or two family dwelling or townhouse structure, that is portable or permanently constructed, intended for swimming or recreational bathing that has the ability to contain more than 24 inches in depth. This include in-ground, above ground, and on-ground swimming pools, or spas.

A permit is required for any residential swimming pool/water-filled enclosure. The permit fees for said items are in Code Section 165.18. Said minimum requirements are as follows:

1. A swimming pool with a depth in excess of eighteen inches shall require a secured enclosure of no less than five feet.

2. Pools must have a filter and six foot non-climbable fence.

3. Pools cannot be located less than four feet from a side or rear lot line.

4. Above ground pools should have barriers.

5. Portable pools should be surrounded by a fence of at least four feet.

6. The pool must have access gates and shall be equipped with a locking device.

7. Pedestrian gates shall open outward away from the pool and shall be self-closing with a self-latching device.
8. The pool enclosure should be sufficiently strong to make the pool inaccessible to small children.

165.31(3)(A)

A. Building Permit Fee (Residential)

   Small Buildings (including portable storage sheds, fences, decks, porches, paved drive/parking, and signs) ........................................ $5.00

   Above/Below ground pool ........................................ $5.00

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: Repealer—All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4: When Effective: This ordinance shall be effective ________________________.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Bloomfield, Iowa, this ___ day of ________, 2020.

__________________________________________

Mayor, Dan Wiegand

Attest:

__________________________________________

City Clerk, Sandy Jones
# City of Bloomfield Pool Fill Report and Billing Statement

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<tr>
<th>Name:</th>
<th>Andrew &amp; Jennifer Stockwell</th>
<th>Meter Start:</th>
<th>706.8</th>
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<tr>
<td>Address:</td>
<td>405 E. Chestnut</td>
<td>Meter End:</td>
<td>710.6</td>
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<td>Hydrant Used Location:</td>
<td>Corner of S. East St &amp; East Chestnut.</td>
<td>Gallons Utilized in Pool:</td>
<td>4.2 /x1000 gal.</td>
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<td>15 x 42 Round</td>
<td>42 inches</td>
<td>3800 Gal.</td>
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<th>Pool Secured For Children's Protection</th>
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<td>How is Pool Secured?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td>What Height of Fence?</td>
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<td>Locking Gate</td>
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<td>Do Pool Owners have Children?</td>
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<td>Do Neighbors have Children or Children in the Area?</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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An Invoice for the amount of the water utilized in filling your pool will be sent to you by the City of Bloomfield. Prompt payment would be appreciated.

Donation Fee for the service of filling your pool by the Bloomfield Firefighters are to be made out to the "Friends of The Bloomfield Fire Dept."
501 South West St., Bloomfield, Iowa 52537

On behalf of the Bloomfield Fire Dept. and the City of Bloomfield enjoy your summer pool.