



# City of Milford, Connecticut

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**TO:** Ordinance Committee Members

**FROM:** Robert Pacelli, Chairman

**DATE:** February 1, 2024

**SUBJECT: ORDINANCE COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING  
AND PUBLIC HEARING  
Monday, February 5, 2024 @ 7:00 p.m. - City Hall Auditorium**

There will be a special meeting of the Ordinance Committee of the Board of Aldermen on **Monday, February 5, 2024, at 7:00 pm.** in the City Hall Auditorium, 110 River Street, regarding the following Ordinances:

## ***AGENDA***

1. An Ordinance Adopting Chapter 7, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article I, In General, Section 7-6, Fire Apparatus Access and Water Supply.
2. An Ordinance Adopting Chapter 7, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article VI, Prohibition Of Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations in Underground Parking Garages

**Copies of said proposed Ordinance(s) are on file open to public inspection at the office of the City Clerk. Any individual with a disability who needs special assistance to participate in the meeting should contact the Director of Community Development (783-3230) five (5) days prior to the meeting, if possible.**

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**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING CHAPTER 7, FIRE PREVENTION  
AND PROTECTION, ARTICLE VI, PROHIBITION OF  
ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) CHARGING STATIONS  
IN UNDERGROUND PARKING GARAGES**

**Section 7-84. Reference.**

Pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §4b-779(c) and Milford Zoning Regulations, Article V, §5.1.10.9, any new commercial, mixed-use, or residential building or project requiring thirty (30) or more parking spaces shall provide level two (2) or direct current fast charging stations in the amount of at least ten percent (10%) of those parking spaces.

**Section 7-85. Purpose and Intent.**

The purpose of this Article VI is to prohibit the installation and operation of Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations within Underground Parking Garages within the City of Milford. This measure is taken to address potential safety and infrastructure concerns associated with the installation of such charging stations in underground facilities.

**Section 7-86. Definitions.**

**Electric Vehicle (EV):** A vehicle that uses one or more electric motors or traction motors for propulsion.

**Underground Parking Garage:** A structure or facility constructed below the ground level for the parking and storage of vehicles.

**Section 7-87. Prohibition.**

(a) Except as set forth in Section 7-87(b) below, it shall be unlawful for any person, organization, or entity to install, operate, or maintain an Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station within any underground parking garage located within the boundaries of the City of Milford.

(b) Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Stations installed within any underground parking garage prior to the effective date of this Article VI shall be permitted to remain in use until such charging station requires replacement, at which time such charging station shall be removed.

**Section 7-88. Penalties.**

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Article VI shall be fined not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day for the first thirty (30) days from written offense, and not less than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day thereafter until the Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station has been removed from the Underground Parking Garage. Each Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station shall constitute a separate offense for which fines may be imposed.

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING CHAPTER 7, FIRE PREVENTION  
AND PROTECTION, ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL,  
SECTION 7-6, FIRE APPARATUS ACCESS AND WATER SUPPLY**

**Section 7-6. Fire Apparatus Access and Water Supply**

(a) Any structure which is to be erected on any property abutting a street, highway, alley, easement or right-of-way within the City of Milford, shall be provided with fire apparatus access and adequate water supply, as approved by the Fire Marshal's Office, for firefighting purposes in accordance with the terms of this Section.

(b) Fire apparatus access, as required by Section 7-6(a) above, shall mean adequate access to allow all fire apparatus within close proximity to structure(s) to effectively utilize fire hose lines, fire hydrants, or any other type of connection.

(c) Adequate water supply, as required by Section 7-6(a) above, shall mean capable of supplying water flow as required by the Fire Marshal's Office for fire protection and firefighting within any commercial, industrial or residential development or area.

(d) The Board of Fire Commissioners shall have exclusive jurisdiction of the hydrants used for fire purposes and the location of same and may make suitable regulations for their protection and care.