THE CITY OF CRANSTON

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

IN AMENDMENT OF TITLE 8, CHAPTER 40 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY
OF CRANSTON, 2005, ENTITLED “SECURITY ALARM SYSTEMS”
(Police False Alarm Notification)

Passed:

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Anthony J. Lupino, Council President

Approved:

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Allan W. Fung, Mayor

It is ordained by the City Council of the City of Cranston as follows:

Section 1. Title 8 Chapter 40, Section 060 entitled “False Alarm Assessment
Schedule” is hereby amended by adding the following:

8.40.060 Police False alarm Assessment Schedule. After the chief of police or
Police Records Clerk has recorded three separate false alarms from a security alarm
system of one user within any twelve (12) month period, then the alarm user will be
notified by the chief of police or Records Clerk, by [certified] mail of such facts and
require the alarm user to submit within ten (10) working days of receipt of such notice, a
report describing the alarm user's efforts to discover and eliminate the cause or causes of
the false alarms. This notice shall further contain the dates and times of each alleged false
alarm. After two false alarms in any twelve (12) month period the alarm system shall be
inspected and certified by a licensed alarm business.

If the chief of police is satisfied based on the report submitted by the user, that the action
taken will substantially reduce the likelihood of further false alarms, the chief of police
will notify the alarm user in writing that no assessment will be made at that time.
However, the alarm user will be subject to assessment proceedings on the next false
alarm signal transmitted.

In the event that the chief of police determines that a report submitted in accordance with
the preceding paragraph is unsatisfactory or that the alarm user has failed to show by the
report that responsible steps have been taken to eliminate or reduce false alarms, then the
chief of police will inform the alarm user by [certified] mail that subsequent false alarms
will cause the alarm user to be assessed penalties as follows:
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<th>False Alarm Event</th>
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<td>4th 3rd false alarm in any twelve month period</td>
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<td>5th 4th false alarm in any twelve month period</td>
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<td>6th 5th and any subsequent false alarms in any twelve month period</td>
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The city shall not charge any fee for responding to or answering any security alarm.

No assessment will be charge for a actual positive alarm.

The provisions of this section shall not apply to security alarm systems owned and/or operated by agencies of the city, state of Rhode Island or the United States of America.

Section 3: This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final adoption.

Positive Endorsement                                                  Negative Endorsement (attach reasons)

Christopher Rawson, Solicitor     Date        Christopher Rawson, Solicitor     Date

Sponsored by: Councilman Pelletier

Referred to Finance Committee October 13, 2011