

COUNTY ORDINANCE NO. 04-41

AN EMERGENCY BILL ENTITLED

AN ACT CONCERNING the amendment of certain provisions of Chapter 14 (Floodplain Management District) of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County, (2004 Ed.) regarding the installation of gas distribution lines and liquid propane containers in the floodplain;

FOR THE PURPOSE of repealing and re-enacting with changes Chapter 14, Subsection 3-60.C and Subsection 3-56.C.

SECTION I

BE IT ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, that Subsection 3-60.C of Chapter 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County (2004 Ed.) be and is hereby repealed and shall read as follows:

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(1) Gas Distribution Lines – Underground gas distribution lines and appurtenances shall be installed in accordance with National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Code 54 Chapter 3, and shall be installed with 18-inches of cover; the cover shall be permitted to be reduced to 12-inches if external damage to the pipe is not likely to result. If a minimum of 12-inches of cover cannot be maintained, the pipe shall be installed in a conduit or bridged (shielded). Aboveground gas distribution lines shall be in accordance with NFPA Code 54 Chapter 3, Sub-section 3.2, and be securely supported and located where it will be protected from physical damage.

(2) Liquid Propane Containers – Liquid gas propane containers shall be installed in accordance with NFPA 58 Chapter 6, Sub-Section 6, and shall be securely anchored to prevent flotation due to possible high flood water around aboveground or mounted containers, or high water table for those underground and partially underground.

SECTION II

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY, MARYLAND, that Subsection 3-56.C of Chapter 14 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Queen Anne's County (2004 Ed.) be and is hereby repealed and shall read as follows:

C. Materials. Except as provided in 14:3-60.C, a person may not store below the flood protection elevation any materials that:

- (1) Are buoyant, flammable, explosive, or hazardous to health; or
- (2) At times of flooding, may be injurious to human, animal, or plant life.

SECTION III

BE IT FURTHER ENACTED that this Bill is determined and declared to affect the public health, safety and welfare of Queen Anne's County and shall be an emergency bill effective from the date of passage.

INTRODUCED BY: COMMISSIONER NIEDOMANSKI
DATE: OCTOBER 19, 2004
PUBLIC HEARING HELD: NOVEMBER 9, 2004 8:15 P.M.