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Overview of Park View Rental Regulations

Scott County is considering adopting regulations that require all multi-family (4 units or greater) and townhouse rental units in the Community Area Development of Park View to be registered and have a current annual rental permit which includes meeting minimum Scott County Housing Code requirements.

Scott County will issue the annual rental permits and enforce compliance with the registration requirements of the code. The Scott County Sheriff's Office, Planning and Development and the Health Department will conduct a review of all applications for compliance with the registration, background checks, health, safety and physical conditions of the property required under this code.

Rental Permit applications require the name, address and other contact information of both the owner of the property and the local manager of the property. The code requires that landlords conduct background checks on all occupants of the units over the age of eighteen (18). The Sheriff's Office will conduct those background checks with the information provided by the owner/landlord. The regulations also require that landlords have written leases or rental agreements with the tenant of the unit and proof of such be submitted with the registration.

Property owners, landlords or managers must submit a signed checklist attesting to the condition of the units and compliance with the minimum standards of the housing code. **Any inspections of such units are suspended until such time as COVID-19 restrictions will allow.** However when such restrictions have been lifted the Scott County Building Inspector is authorized, with due notice, to enter and make inspections of any rental unit to determine compliance with the requirements of the building code. Such inspections will be completed in a timely manner following notification upon receipt of a complaint from any tenant, landlord, or public official when a violation of this code is reasonably determined to exist and needs to be addressed. If such violations can be determined by photographic evidence or other credible means enforcement action can be initiated. Lack of compliance or violations of this code can result in additional inspection fees, fines and suspension or revocation of the rental license.

Property owners and/or managers must submit a completed rental permit registration form and other materials within the timeframe established with the adoption of these regulations. For the initial application, no fees are proposed to be charged. However application and rental permit fees may be charged with the renewal of such permits by July 1st of each year. Initially these applications must be submitted within ninety (90) days of the adoption of these regulations and rental permits will be issued if the application is determined to be in compliance. Any units determined not to comply will be subject to possible fines or penalties. Any determination that the condition of a rental unit is an emergency or danger to the occupants or public will require immediate action and a possible order to vacate the unit.

On line registration forms and permit information is available at www.scottcountyiowa.com