

Committee on Transportation and Public Way
City Council Meeting April 16, 2025
Alderman Brendan Reilly, 42nd Ward
Alderman Brian Hopkins, 2nd Ward
Electrical Hazard

ORDINANCE

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHICAGO:

SECTION 1. Section 10-20-030 of the Municipal Code of Chicago is hereby deleted in its entirety, and replaced with a new Section 10-20-030, as follows:

10-20-030 Utility–Electrical Hazard.

(a) Whenever any utility or any person performing work in the public way has knowledge that an electrical hazard is present on the public right of way which does or could constitute a danger to the health, welfare and safety to the residents of the City, they shall immediately notify the Office of Emergency Management and Communications. For purposes of this section, the term "utility" shall mean any privately, publicly or cooperatively owned entity that produces, transmits or distributes heat, cooling, light, power, water, sewage or telecommunications, or any substance (e.g., gas, steam) used to produce any of said services, within the City.

(b) After receiving notice under subsection (a), the Office of Emergency Management and Communications shall, as soon as reasonably practicable, notify to the Police Department, Fire Department, Department of Transportation, and each owner, property manager, or landlord of all buildings located within 660 feet of such electrical hazard. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this section, the Office of Emergency Management and Communications may provide such notice to owners and properties managers via a general alert system, including "NotifyChicago", "Smart 911", OEMC mobile application, or any similar system or network to provide emergency alerts to City residents.

(c) Whenever an owner, property manager, or landlord receives notice under this section, they shall give notice to all tenants or other occupants as soon as reasonably practicable, but in no event later than 12 hours.

SECTION 2. This ordinance takes effect upon passage and publication.


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