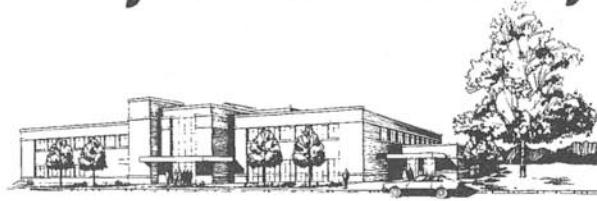


City of McHenry

333 South Green Street
McHenry, Illinois 60050-5495

www.ci.mchenry.il.us



Mayor's Office
(815) 363-2108
Fax (815) 363-2119

April 20, 2011

Administration
(815) 363-2100
Fax (815) 363-2119

Construction and
Neighborhood Services
(815) 363-2170
Fax (815) 363-2173

Finance Department
(815) 363-2100
Fax (815) 363-2119

Parks and Recreation
(815) 363-2160
Fax (815) 363-3186

Police Non-Emergency
(815) 363-2200
Fax (815) 363-2149

Public Works
(815) 363-2186
Fax (815) 363-2214

Mayor
Susan E. Low

City Clerk
Janice C. Jones

Treasurer
Steven C. Murgatroyd

Aldermen

WARD 1
Victor A. Santi

WARD 2
Andrew A. Glab

WARD 3
Jeffrey A. Schaefer

WARD 4
Geoffrey T. Blake

WARD 5
Richard W. Wimmer

WARD 6
Robert J. Peterson

WARD 7
Geri A. Condon

Dear Business Owner,

I am writing to inform you of an ordinance recently adopted by the McHenry City Council. This ordinance requires all those with existing connections to the City of McHenry's remote station to convert to the City's Wireless Alarm Monitoring Network by December 1, 2011 and all others that are currently having alarms monitored remotely to connect by May 1, 2016. A copy of the ordinance is available for viewing at www.ci.mchenry.il.us.

The City of McHenry and the McHenry Township Fire Protection District have partnered to provide our local alarm customers with a superior solution that will both assist with controlling operating costs while providing state of the art protection for your business. The new alarm monitoring network provided by **Fox Valley Fire and Safety** will allow you to eliminate your current payments to Norshore (or your alarm vendor for monitoring services) and AT&T for the associated telephone line (do not cancel these services until a representative from the City or Fire District has confirmed that your alarm has been connected to the wireless network). Our research has determined that most organizations pay a combined average of between \$100 and \$120 per month for alarm services and associated phone lines. Instead, the City will directly bill you a **lower monthly fee of \$90 per month** for your alarm monitoring services. The city will also guarantee that rate will remain unchanged for a **minimum** of three years. In fact, if you complete and return both the enclosed application and the City of McHenry Alarm System Monitoring Agreement prior to December 1, 2011, the City will also waive the associated installation fee (a savings of \$250).

We sincerely hope that the future cost savings derived from this new program prove to be beneficial during these turbulent economic times. We appreciate your cooperation during the wireless alarm conversion process. Please do not hesitate to contact either myself, Bill Hobson, Assistant City Administrator (815/363-2159, bhobson@ci.mchenry.il.us), Deputy Police Chief Dan Kreassig (815/363-2140, dkreassig@ci.mchenry.il.us) or Assistant Chief Mike Majercik (815/385-0075, mmajercik@mtfpd.org) with any questions.

Sincerely,

Bill Hobson

Bill Hobson

Assistant City Administrator

