

**CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO  
ORDINANCE NO. 7  
SERIES OF 2014**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION 18-14-10 OF THE RIFLE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ELIMINATE COMPLETION AND PASSAGE OF THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR STANDARDIZED TESTING EXAMINATION AS A PREREQUISITE TO ISSUANCE OF A CITY OF RIFLE CONTRACTOR'S LICENSE.

WHEREAS, Section 18-14-10 of the Rifle Municipal Code (the "Code") requires that individuals who wish to obtain a City of Rifle (the "City") contractor's license take and successfully pass the current Board of Examiners of Standardized Testing examination (the "B.E.S.T. Test") as a prerequisite to issuance of a contractor's license; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that the B.E.S.T. Test to be more burdensome on potential licensees and development within the City compared to the benefit the City receives by requiring the B.E.S.T. Test; and

WHEREAS, to eliminate the burden of the B.E.S.T. Test on potential contractor licensees while upholding the purposes for which the City has required potential licensees to complete and successfully pass the B.E.S.T. Test, the City Council wishes to amend Section 18-14-10 of the Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are incorporated herein as if set forth in full.

Section 2. Section 18-14-10 of the Rifle Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows, with additions shown in **bold, double underlined text**, and ~~strike through language is deleted~~:

**Sec. 18-14-10. License required; ~~examination.~~**

**(a) No person shall engage in the business of a general contractor, subcontractor, or specialty contractor within the City without having first obtained a contractor's license from the City. No building permits shall be issued to, nor any work performed by, any contractor who has not first obtained a contractor's license.**

~~(a) It is unlawful for any contractor, specialty contractor or person who installs alarm systems as listed by the Board of Examiners for Standardized Testing (B.E.S.T.) to engage in any work, or at the business, trade or calling of such contractor in the City, without first taking and passing the B.E.S.T. contractor examination, paying the City's annual contractor license fee and securing a contractor's license from the Building Official.~~

~~(b) Before a license is issued, the applicant for the license shall take and pass the current examination in use under the B.E.S.T. program as participated in with other jurisdictions. In licensing of general contractors or specialty contractors, the City will recognize the examinations successfully completed by the applicant examinee in other jurisdictions taken within the last three (3) years, so long as such jurisdiction provides reciprocity to persons who take the Rifle test. Examinations under the B.E.S.T. program given in the City will be administered by the Building Official. The cost of these examinations shall be set by the Board of Examiners. Licenses shall only be issued to individuals.~~

~~(b)(e)~~ Before a license is issued, the applicant shall pay the license fee then in effect established by the Board of Examiners for Standardized Testing, as may be amended, and satisfy the Building Official as to his or her financial responsibility and integrity. Before issuing a license, the Building Official may, at his or her discretion, require references or other information from a contractor that demonstrate the contractor has the necessary resources and abilities to fulfill the requirements of this Code and the Building Code. The Building Official shall make such investigation as he or she deems necessary.

INTRODUCED on April 2, 2014, read by title, passed on first reading, and ordered published by title as required by the Charter.

INTRODUCED a second time at a regular meeting of the Council of the City of Rifle, Colorado, held on April 16, 2014, passed without amendment, approved, and ordered published in full as required by the Charter.

Dated this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

CITY OF RIFLE, COLORADO

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk