

**Town of Erie  
Ordinance No. 030-2024**

**An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Erie Repealing  
and Reenacting Section 6-8-7 of the Erie Municipal Code  
Regarding False Reports**

**Now be it Ordained by the Town Council of the Town of Erie, Colorado,  
as follows:**

**Section 1.** Section 6-8-7 of the Erie Municipal Code is hereby repealed in its entirety and reenacted as follows:

**6-8-7 - False reports.**

A. It is unlawful to knowingly cause by any means, including without limitation activation, a false alarm of fire or other emergency, or a false emergency exit alarm, to sound or to be transmitted to or within an official or volunteer fire department, ambulance service, law enforcement agency or any other government agency that deals with emergencies involving danger to life or property.

B. It is unlawful to knowingly cause by any means a false report of an imminent threat to the safety of a person or persons by use of a deadly weapon.

1. It is not a defense to a prosecution pursuant to this subsection that the defendant or another person did not have the intent or capability of committing the threatened or reported act.

2. Upon conviction of a violation of this subsection, in addition to any other sentence imposed or restitution ordered, the court shall sentence the defendant to pay restitution in an amount equal to the cost of any emergency response or evacuation, including but not limited to, fire and police response, emergency medical service or emergency preparedness response, and transportation of any individual from the building, place of assembly, or facility of public transportation.

C. It is unlawful to knowingly provide false identifying information to a law enforcement authority. As used in this subsection, "identifying information" means a person's name, address, birth date, social security number, driver's license number or Colorado identification number.

**Section 2.** **Severability.** If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such

decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Town Council hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each part or parts hereof irrespective of the fact that any one, or part, or parts be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

**Section 3. Safety.** The Town Council finds that the adoption of this Ordinance is necessary for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare.

**Section 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect 10 days after publication following adoption.

**Introduced, Read, Passed and Ordered Published this 24<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.**

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Justin Brooks, Mayor

**Attest:**

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Debbie Stamp, Town Clerk