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June 13, 2019

TO: Homeowner Associations
FROM: Warrenville Fire Protection District (WFPD)

To whom this may concern:

The Warrenville FPD has recently received a citizen complaint of a gas grill being operated on a combustible Balcony, on a wood frame townhome type V construction. The vinyl siding was beginning to melt. The complainant shared a wall with the balcony and the melted siding.

The WFPD and the City of Warrenville have adopted the 2015 International Fire Code, (IFC), which clearly states in section 308.1.4, under "Open Flame Cooking Devices" "*Charcoal and other open flame cooking devices SHALL NOT be operated on combustible Balconies or within 10 feet of any combustible construction*". This rule makes it against code to have a full size charcoal or gas grill on combustible decks with the exception, if the deck is protected with a Fire Sprinkler System or no larger than 2.5lbs propane cylinder grill is used.

The WFPD is sending this letter out to all Homeowner Associations as a reminder of this rule, and that it would be in the best interests of all involved to have this placed in your rental or HOA agreements. It is not the intention that the WFPD begin a strict enforcement of this rule; instead we are notifying you to hopefully enforce this concern internally. If we do notice these issues in the future, we will be forced to notify the City of Warrenville Code Enforcement, as well as notifying the resident and the HOA. It would be advantageous and proactive for you to send out reminders to all of your current tenants of this rule as well.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above, please feel free to contact my office at 630-393-2175 or email me at westroml@warrenvillefire.com

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lee Westrom", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lee Westrom, Fire Marshal
Warrenville Fire Protection District