§1102.010. Building Trades; License Required. No person shall engage in the business of doing or performing Commercial General Contracting, Heating and Ventilation Contracting or Tree Trimming without first obtaining a City of White Bear Lake Contractor's License.

A) Commercial General Contractors shall have a valid Class I license. A General Commercial Contractor is a construction contractor who personally performs construction, or employs other contractors in a separate discipline to complete the construction activities on commercial property, when the work involves two or more trades.

B) Heating and Ventilation contractors and Tree Trimming contractors shall have a valid CLASS II license.

C) If the applicant owns and occupies a single family home upon which the work is being done, or is the owner or occupant of a multiple family or commercial building proposing to personally perform nonstructural improvements to that structure, the applicant may obtain a permit for construction without needing to obtain a City license.


§1102.015. Licensing Prior to Construction Permits. Prior to the issuance of a permit, all contractors required to be licensed shall provide proof that all required licensing is current and valid. (Ref. Ord. 759, 3/15/88)

§1102.020. Building Trades; License Application Fee. Application for licenses shall be filed with the City Building Official on forms provided by the Building Codes Office. The annual fee shall be established in a resolution approved by the City Council. The annual fee as established by the City Council resolution may be different for general contractors and construction contractors as defined in Sections 1102.010 and 1102.040. (Ref. §904.020, Code 1966; Ord. No. 603, 11/8/88; 759, 3/15/88)

§1102.030. Building Trades; License Expiration and Renewal. All annual licenses shall begin on January one (1) and expire on December thirty-first (31) following the date of issuance unless revoked sooner or forfeited. If a license granted hereunder is not renewed prior to its expiration, all rights granted by such license shall cease and any work performed after the expiration of the license shall be in violation of this code. Persons found to be working in the city without obtaining or renewing their licenses after expiration may be assessed a double fee which shall be considered an administrative fee to cover added administrative costs of the city.
Persons applying for their license after July first (1st) of any year may have their license prorated as established in the annual fee resolution established by the City Council. (Ref. §904.030, Code 1966; Ord. No. 759, 3/15/88)

§1102.040. Building Trades; General Contractor's License. A Class I license granted to a general contractor shall include the right to perform or supervise all of the work included in his construction permit application. The general contractor shall be responsible for work performed by subcontractors listed in the construction permit application. Work authorized by separate permit shall be the responsibility of the individual permit holder. (Ref. §904.010, Code 1966; Ord. No. 759, 3/15/88)

§1102.050 BUILDING TRADES; QUALIFICATIONS. Each applicant for a license shall satisfy the City that he is competent by reason of education, special training and experience, and that he is equipped to perform the work for which a license is requested in accordance with all state laws, the City Council and this Code. (Ref. §904.050, Code 1966)

§1102.060 BUILDING TRADES; LICENSE REVOCATION. The City Council shall have the power to suspend or revoke the license of any person licensed under the regulations of this chapter whose work is found to be improper or defective or so unsafe as to jeopardize life or property; provided, the person holding such license is given twenty (20) days notice and granted the opportunity to be heard before such action is taken. If and when such notice is sent to the legal address of the licensee and he fails or refuses to appear at this said hearing, his license will be automatically suspended or revoked five (5) days after the date of the hearing.

When a license is suspended, the period of suspension shall be not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one (1) year, such period being determined by the Council. Any time a person holding a license, as provided herein, has been convicted for the second (2nd) time by a court of competent jurisdiction for violation of any of the provisions of chapters 1201 or 1202, the Council shall revoke the license of the person so convicted. Such person may not make application for a new license for a period of one (1) year. (Ref. §904.060, Code 1966)

§1102.070 BUILDING TRADES; INSURANCE. Any person applying for any license enumerated under this chapter shall file with the City Clerk copies of his public liability and property damage insurance policies, which insurance policies shall be maintained in force and effect during the life of his license to perform work under this chapter. Said insurance shall cover public liability which shall not be less than one hundred thousand ($100,000.00) dollars for injuries, including accidental death, to any one (1) person and subject to the same limit for each person and in an amount of not less than three hundred thousand ($300,000.00) dollars on account of any one (1) accident and shall cover property damage in the amount of not less than one hundred thousand ($100,000.00) dollars on account of damage to one (1) party and not less than three hundred thousand ($300,000.00) dollars on account of any one (1) accident. Said policies shall contain a provision that the policies cannot be cancelled without ten (10) days written notice addressed to the City Clerk. (Ref. §904.070, Code 1966)

All contractors applying for or renewing a City of White Bear Lake Contractor's License shall provide proof of workman's compensation insurance as required by state statute and/or regulations prior to issuance of said Contractor's License. (Ref. Ord. No. 759, 3/15/88)

§1102.080 Repealed (Ref. Ord. 720, 6/10/86)