

telephone numbers available to the owner or lessee of the devices, or their designated representatives, at another location.

(4) No automatic dialing device shall be interconnected to other Sheriff's Department offices or trunklines, other county offices, or to telephone company operators.

(5) Such devices within ninety (90) days after the effective date hereof, shall be disconnected by the owner or lessee.

(6) Upon receiving an automatic recorded message over a police telephone line, the Sheriff's Department will notify in writing to the party concerned of the violation of this ordinance. The sending of any subsequent automatic recorded messages will be a violation of this ordinance and subject the person doing so to the penalties specified in this ordinance.

#### **Section 9. NON-EMERGENCY ACTIVATION**

No person shall intentionally activate an alarm system for any purpose other than an emergency or threat of emergency of the kind for which the alarm system was designed to give notice; provided, however, it shall be affirmative defense to prosecution under this section that the alarm system was sounded solely for the purpose of testing the alarm and the person who tested the alarm took reasonable precautions to avoid any request being made to the Sheriff's Department to respond to such alarm.

#### **Section 10. USER FEES**

The Sheriff's Department will respond to proper notification of activation of an alarm system without charge except that the following fees shall be charged the permit holder for each response by the County to notification or activation of an alarm system in excess of five (5) alarms from the same alarm system within a twelve (12) month period.

A. Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) for each response to notification of activation of an alarm system in excess of five (5) alarms but not more than ten (10) alarms within a twelve (12) month period.

B. Forty dollars (\$40.00) for each response to notification of activation of an alarm system in excess of ten (10) alarms within a twelve (12) month period.

C. Provided, however, no notification of the activation of an alarm system shall be considered in determining the fees set out above nor shall any fee be charged if the permit holder shows that the activation was not a false alarm, and any response by the County to notification of activation of an alarm system will not be included in determining the fees set out above if the permit holder shows that such situation was not a false alarm. For purposes of determining the fees set out above, the burden shall be on the permit holder to prove that the activation of the alarm system was not a false alarm.