

**Village of Rouses Point
Local Law
4 of 2023**

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a Public Hearing will be held at the regular meeting of the Village of Rouses Point on Monday November 20, 2023, at 7:00PM in Halstead Hall located at the Civic Center, 39 Lake Street, Rouses Point, New York as follows:

Local Law # 4 of 2023 a local law to amend and restate Chapter 64 Electrical System, Municipal Development addressing Electric Boilers of the Village Code of the Village of Rouses Point.

All people interested will be given an opportunity to speak, or to offer written options, either for or against the proposed Local Law. Copies of said proposed Law Laws are available for review at the Village Clerk's office. The meeting is opened to the public.

Other business will be taken up at this meeting. By the order of the Trustees of the Village of Rouses Point.

Christopher Latremore
Village Administrator/Clerk

WHEREAS, the Village of Rouses Point has conducted a review of its municipal electric system; and

WHEREAS, the review of the municipal electric system of the Village of Rouses Point demonstrates that certain uses of electricity are not only inefficient but pose an unreasonable and undesirable burden upon the electric system of the Village; and

WHEREAS, concerns exist over the proper and appropriate use of electric boilers and hot air furnaces within the Village of Rouses Point; and

WHEREAS, regulations controlling the use of electric boilers and hot air furnaces are desired to improve efficiency and quality of life in the Village's residential neighborhoods and business areas and to reduce the costs to all customers, reduce capital needs and improve reliability, and voltage and service of the municipal electric system of the Village of Rouses Point; and

WHEREAS, the Village Board of the Village of Rouses Point desires to pass regulations on the use of electric boilers and hot air furnaces within the Village of Rouses Point; now, therefore, be it

ENACTED, by the Village Board of the Village of Rouses Point as follows:

SECTION 1:

There is hereby enacted the following rule and regulations on the acceptance and approval of building permit applications for the use, installation, and placement of electric boilers and hot air furnaces in the Village of Rouses Point.

SECTION 2:

1. For the conversion from a fossil fueled hydronic heating system to electric heat, the following is required:
 - a. Conversion of an existing fossil fuel boiler to an electric resistance boiler is prohibited.
 - b. An electric boiler specifically designed for use as a heating boiler with the appropriate American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) approvals shall be installed. The electric boiler shall be equipped with multiple stage heating elements.
 - c. One of the following control methods is required:
 - i. A separate zone with an automatic setback thermostat for each floor, or for each living unit, if there is more than one living unit on a floor; or
 - ii. Thermostatic control valves shall be installed on each radiator and an automatic setback thermostat shall be installed for the boiler.

2. For the installation of an electric resistance warm air system or the conversion of a fossil fueled warm air heating system to electric resistance heat, the following is required:
 - a. A separate duct heater or furnace is provided for each floor, or for each living unit, if there is more than one living unit on a floor.
 - b. For each duct heater or furnace, a separate automatic setback thermostat shall be required.
3. For all electric heating system conversions, existing fireplaces shall be equipped with a tight-fitting shutoff damper. Where applicable, a source of combustion air ducted from the outdoors of sufficient quantity to support combustion shall be installed. This source shall be equipped with a damper capable of being fully closed.
4. An owner wishing to convert to electric heat must submit a National Electrical Manufacturers Association, (NEMA), #HEI-1980 or other recognized industry standard heating load and sizing calculation forms for approval by municipal utility before commencing with installation.
5. In unusual circumstances, when the application of these standards appears impracticable or inequitable, the utility or the applicant will refer the matter to the Power Authority for special consideration, review and approval.

SECTION 3:

It shall be a violation for any property owner to install and/or use an electric boiler or hot air furnace in the Village of Rouses Point without obtaining the necessary Building Permit with the minimum fine of \$500.00 a day. Each separate day of said violation shall constitute a separate violation.

SECTION 4:

If any Article, Section, Subsection, Paragraph, Sentence, Clause, Word or Part or Provision of this Local Law, or the application thereof, be adjudged by any County of competent jurisdiction as invalid, such adjudication shall not affect or impair or invalidate the remainder thereof, but shall be confined to its operations to the Article, Section, Subsection, Paragraph, Sentence, Clause, Word or Part or Provision thereof directly involved in the controversy in which judgment shall have been rendered.

SECTION 5:

This Local Law shall take effect immediately upon its filing in accordance with the provisions of Section 27 of the Municipal Home Rule Law of the State of New York.