

VILLAGE OF ATHENS

LOCAL LAW #3 OF 2024

AMENDING LOCAL LAW #3 OF 2020 REGULATING SHORT TERM RENTALS

Be it enacted by the Board of Trustees of the Village of Athens as follows:

Section 1. Legislative intent. The Village of Athens has encountered an increase in short-term rentals and enacted a Local Law in 2020 to regulate this activity. After over three years' experience, the Village Board deems it appropriate to make certain modifications to the local law to enhance enforcement and safety.

Section 2. Amendment. The Board of Trustees of the Village of Athens hereby amends Local Law #3 of 2020 to add the following:

- a) A new paragraph III. G. 4. Shall be inserted as follows: The Village Code Enforcement Officer shall conduct an annual fire inspection on each short-term rental within the Village.
- b) A new paragraph shall be inserted in III. J. as follows: In the event, following a hearing and determination by the Village Board of a violation of this local law and failure by the landowner to pay any fines imposed and costs incurred, the Village Board shall assess such fines and costs against the land upon which such short term-rental is located and also may be recovered in an action at law against the owner.

Section 3. Effective date. This local law shall take effect upon filing with the Secretary of State.