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### **OBTAINING A CITY ALARM PERMIT JUST GOT EASIER**

LINCOLN, CA, May 6, 2008 – The City of Lincoln has a new on-line system for obtaining alarm permits. The new on-line system allows residents and businesses to obtain a new alarm permit or renew an existing alarm permit without leaving their home or business.

The City's alarm ordinance requires that any person or business that activates, operates, or maintains an alarm system upon any premises in the City of Lincoln is required to obtain an alarm permit. A new alarm permit costs \$20. All alarms permits must be renewed every year at a cost of \$20.

"The Lincoln Police Department responds to more alarm calls than any other type of call," said Lincoln Police Chief Brian Vizzusi. "Historically, 99 percent of those calls are false alarms. When officers are busy with alarm calls, it takes time away from responding to true emergency calls."

In 1994, the City of Lincoln adopted a resolution establishing a fee be charged for excessive false alarms. Currently an alarm holder is allowed two false alarms in a 365-day period at no cost. If the alarm holder has a third false alarm activation in the same 365-day period, the alarm holder will be fined \$75 with a \$75 fine for every false alarm thereafter.

To obtain an alarm permit on-line, or to renew your current alarm permit, go to the City's website at [www.lincolnpd.org](http://www.lincolnpd.org), and click on "Alarm Permits" in the left-hand column of the homepage.

For those individuals who prefer to obtain or renew their permit in person, they may visit the City's Administrative Services Department at City Hall, 600 Sixth Street, Lincoln, CA, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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