1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL NO.607 By: Dugger

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to cities and towns; providing expedited process for building permits in industrially zoned districts; requiring certain application; setting forth requirements for applications; requiring review within twenty-four hours on business days; providing requirement for liability insurance; establishing qualifications for inspectors; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

- SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 43-116 of Title 11, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:
- A. A building permit for an industrial use in an industrially zoned district may be obtained through an expedited process by the submission of a building permit application which shall contain the following information and be accompanied by the following submittals, and shall be effective if accepted by ordinance in each jurisdiction desiring to utilize the provisions of this section:

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- One full set of construction documents signed and sealed by a registered design professional;
- 2. A sworn affidavit from the owner of the building to be constructed that the construction will fully comply with the city adopted building codes and that the project will be inspected by an approved third-party inspector;
- 3. A sworn affidavit from the building contractor that the construction will comply with the city adopted building codes;
- 4. A sworn affidavit from a third-party plan reviewer that the construction documents have been reviewed and are in compliance with the city adopted building codes;
- 5. A letter from the owner of the building to be constructed setting forth the name, address, phone number and credentials, including licenses and certifications, of the third-party plan review agency that performed the plan review for the project and the third-party inspector or agency that will perform the inspections; and
- 6. Payment of all required fees. The building plan review and inspection fees shall be waived and do not apply.
- B. Upon receipt of a completed application and all required submittals, the building official shall examine or cause to be examined applications for permits and amendments under the expedited process within twenty-four (24) hours, excluding weekends and holidays. If the application does not conform to the requirements

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stated in this section, the building official shall reject such application in writing, stating the reasons therefore in writing. If the building official is satisfied that the application conforms to the requirements of this section, the building official shall issue a permit immediately, provided that the applicant has met all of the applicable city land development requirements and has paid all required fees.

- The owner of the building to be constructed, the building contractor, the plan reviewer, and third-party inspector shall each maintain a general liability insurance policy in minimum amounts equal to the liability limitations set forth in Oklahoma Governmental Tort Claims Act, Section 151 et seq. of Title 51 of the Oklahoma Statutes. The city shall be named as an additional insured on any such policy up to the statutory amounts. Proof of the insurance shall be submitted to the building official prior to issuance of the building permit.
- All third-party inspectors or agencies shall possess current D. appropriate licenses required by the state and shall be certified by the International Code Council in the appropriate professional category.
 - SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2019.

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