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*A Comprehensive and Valuable Internet Resource for Industry Professionals*



**NORTHBROOK, IL (May 11, 2009)** — WJE is pleased to announce the newly redesigned [FacadeOrdinance.com](http://FacadeOrdinance.com), an informational web site with general information about city facade ordinances throughout the United States. With newly enhanced graphics and updated content, [FacadeOrdinance.com](http://FacadeOrdinance.com) is designed to accommodate the needs of building owners, engineers, architects, and general contractors searching for valuable information from a reliable source.

“We are very pleased with the new design and functionality of the website,” said Executive Vice President and Senior Principal Gary Klein. “We know it will better serve the needs of industry professionals and we hope those within the profession continue to use it on a consistent basis,” he said.

The site provides a general overview of selected facade ordinances, including such information as year enacted, ordinance number, and administrative authority contact information. The site also provides the types of buildings that are required to undergo facade inspections and ordinance-specified inspection time frames. Individual web pages within [FacadeOrdinance.com](http://FacadeOrdinance.com) contain information pertaining to types of individual city inspection ordinances with links to various government web sites as well as other pertinent information.

A facade ordinance is a law passed by local authorities requiring the periodic inspection of certain building facades to help ensure public safety. Currently, the cities of Boston, Chicago, Columbus, Detroit, Milwaukee, New York, Pittsburgh, and St. Louis all have ordinances that require periodic facade inspection.

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