

**Report on status of the
Ad Hoc Steering
Committee to Review
Construction Codes**

May 15, 2017

RESOLUTION

RS 2015-29

Sponsored by Councilman Scrivner

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF JEFFERSON, MISSOURI
CREATING AN AD HOC STEERING COMMITTEE TO REVIEW
BUILDING CONSTRUCTION CODES AND PROPOSE UPDATES**

WHEREAS, The City has adopted the 2009 International Building Code, 2009 International Residential Code, 2009 International Property Maintenance Code, 2009 International Fire Code, 2009 International Plumbing Code, and 2011 National Electric Code; and

WHEREAS, Stakeholder groups have indicated an interest in reviewing existing codes for better understanding and to investigate updates to the building construction codes; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interest of the City and its development partners to regularly review and update building construction codes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Jefferson, Missouri as follows: An Ad Hoc Construction Codes Review Steering Committee is here by created, with the structure identified on Attachment A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Steering Committee may create and appoint individuals to subcommittees for the purpose of reviewing individual codes and processes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the first report of the Steering Committee shall be submitted to the Council no later than May 15, 2017.

Adopted this 21st day of December, 2015

Carrie Tergin
Mayor Carrie Tergin

ATTEST:

Shirley Roman
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
City Counselor

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Approved 12/21/15

Steering Committee and Technical Sub-Committees Members

- Nine (9) Steering Committee members were appointed by the City Council. They first met on February 25, 2016, and named volunteers to five (5) technical subcommittees to review the codes in detail.
- In total, thirty-three (33) volunteers from the local community were involved. The group included:
 - Six (6) Owner/developers
 - Eleven (11) design professionals (architects and engineers)
 - Eleven (11) contractors
 - Five (5) members related to construction (material suppliers, retired fire marshal, insurance, designer)

Building Codes Reviewed

**Recommendation accepted from Electrical and Plumbing Licensing Boards*

****2014 National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 70
or the National Electric Code (NEC)***

2015 International Code Council (ICC) versions:

- ****International Plumbing Code (IPC)***
- ***International Fire Code (IFC)***
- ***International Residential Code (IRC)***
- ***International Building Code (IBC)***
- ***International Property Maintenance Code (IPMC)***
- **International Existing Building Code (IEBC) – NEW (change in publication content)**
- **International Mechanical Code (IMC) - NEW**
- **International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC) - NEW**
- **International Swimming Pool and Spa Code (ISPSC) - NEW**
- ***International Wildland-Urban Interface Code (IWUIC) – not applicable***
- ***International Energy Conservation Code – reviewed only***

Public Comments

- Steering Committee met 15 times. The technical subcommittees met 80 times. All meetings were public.
- Concerns have been expressed to the committee about fire sprinkler requirements in new construction for R-2 uses (apartments).
- City Web Site under “Building Regulations” contains bill drafts and email contact for comments:
http://www.jeffersoncitymo.gov/government/building_regulations/2015_building_code_review.php

Timeline from now

- Public Comment Meetings to be held on:
 - June 1st 4:00 to 5:00 PM and June 15th 6:00 to 7:00 PM
 - Both meetings will be held in the Police Training Room
- Copies of the IPC and NEC code adoption bills will be mailed to all licensed electrical and plumbing contractors.
- Steering Committee will meet to discuss any revisions based on any comments received on June 22, 2017.
- If all goes well, the code adoption bills should be introduced to the City Council agenda July 17, 2017.
- The new codes go into effect 60 days after City Council approval.

Steering Committee Future Actions

- With the technical code review mainly finished, the committee is planning to start another subcommittee to review Building Regulations processes.
- The review will generally include: plan review; permit intake/approval; inspections; and building permit fees.

Questions?

