



City of Farmers Branch

Farmers Branch City Hall
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Farmers Branch, Texas
75234

Legislation Text

File #: ORD-3406, Version: 1

Consider adopting Ordinance No. 3406 adopting the 2015 International Residential Code as amended; and take appropriate action.

BACKGROUND:

Since March of 2014 the City has been using the 2012 International Residential Code. Model construction codes such as the IRC are updated and re-published on a three year cycle. Staff is recommending updating to the most current edition, the 2015 International Residential Code. Some notable changes to the 2015 IRC include carbon monoxide alarms being required to be connected to the home wiring and have a battery back-up similar to smoke detectors. Additionally, all of the lumber capacity span charts covering floor joists, ceiling joist and rafters have been revised. The State of Texas has not only recognized the 2015 IRC, but has made it required statewide. Currently, all of our neighboring municipalities have adopted and are enforcing the 2015 IBC with the exception of the City of Coppell and the Town of Addison.

RECOMMENDATION:

City Administration recommends approval of Ordinance No. 3406, as presented.

POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION:

1. I move to approve Ordinance No. 3406, as presented.
2. I move to approve Ordinance No. 3406, with the following modifications.
3. I move to table the issue for further study or take no action.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Ordinance No. 3406