



## Legislation Text

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**Consider adopting Ordinance No. 3606 amending Chapter 22, Article III of the Farmers Branch Code of Ordinances by adopting the 2018 edition of the International Building Code with local amendments and Appendix E “Supplementary Accessibility Regulations”, Appendix F “Rodent Proofing”, Appendix G “Flood Restraint Construction” and Appendix J “Grading”; and take appropriate action**

### **BACKGROUND:**

Since January of 2016 the City has been using the 2015 International Building Code (IBC). Model construction codes such as the IBC are updated and re-published on a three-year cycle. Staff is recommending updating to the most current edition, the 2018 International Building Code. Some notable changes to the 2018 IBC are reduction in the occupant load factor for office occupancies, new provision addressing use of medical gas in higher education facilities and increased dead load values for deck and balconies. Currently, most of our neighboring municipalities have adopted and are enforcing the 2018 IBC with the exception of the City of Coppel and the Town of Addison.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

1. No financial impact.

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

City Administration recommends adopting Ordinance No. 3606 as presented.

### **POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION:**

1. I move to adopt Ordinance No. 3606 as presented.
2. I move to adopt Ordinance No. 3606 with modifications.
3. I move to table the issue for further study or take no action.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Ordinance No. 3606