

Legislation Text

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Consider An **Ordinance Adopting The 2015 International Construction Codes And 2014 National Electric Code.**

BACKGROUND:

On August 4, 2015, the North Central Texas Council of Government's Regional Codes Coordinating Committee (RCCC) recommended approval of regional amendments to the 2015 International Construction Codes, which were subsequently approved by the NCTCOG Executive Committee on September 17, 2015. The regional amendments to the 2014 National Electric Code were previously approved. These amendments were compiled by five code advisory boards, composed of building professionals from the public and private sector, in open meetings to consider the codes and reach a consensus on regional amendments. The ultimate goal of the RCCC is regional uniformity for model construction codes for the entire north central Texas region. This is an effort to simplify the construction process, advance the safety of building systems, promote common code interpretation, facilitate mobility of contractors, and reduce construction costs.

The Carrollton Property Standards Board was provided with copies of the proposed amendments at the September 24, 2015 meeting for feedback. Staff has been informing stakeholders of the anticipated changes and effective date of adoption during pre-application meetings and other contacts.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no direct financial impacts to the city to process the adoption and amendments to the International Codes or National Electric Code.

IMPACT ON COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY:

The consistent review and adoption of updated construction codes ensures and enhances the sustainability of the built environment for the city of Carrollton. New codes allow for the introduction of technological advancements in building materials and construction methodology.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION/ACTION DESIRED:

Staff recommends approval of an ordinance adopting the 2015 International Construction Codes and the 2014 National Electric Code, with amendments to be effective on January 1, 2016.