



City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: Building-Related and Fire Codes Appeals and Advisory Board Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Development Services Department

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Amin Tohmaz, Interim Director

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Action to create sub-committees to review the 2024 International Code Council Building-related codes and 2023 National Fire Protection Association National Electrical Code and propose amendments to the full Building-Related and Fire Codes Appeals and Advisory Board. The board will vote to create the sub-committees and appoint board members and possibly non-board members to the sub-committees.

SUMMARY:

The City of San Antonio prioritizes adopting the most recent building codes to meet the latest safety standards. These codes are updated every three years, and the Development Services Department (DSD) leads the process to ensure that our adopted building-related codes align with national safety standards, the latest industry practices, and state laws. We are now ready to begin meetings with committee members and stakeholders to review and propose changes to the current codes.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

As we begin this process, there are some changes to the committees recently approved by the City Council to add transparency and inclusivity to this process:

- The roles of non-board members appointed to the Building-Related and Fire Codes Appeals and Advisory (BRFCAAB) have been expanded to include voting and
- Non-board members will count toward a quorum
- Committees will comprise 4 to 7 members with alternates plus the addition of 4 non-appointed members OR one less than the number of board members

To provide a better understanding of the adoption process, we have scheduled a series of committee meetings in the upcoming months. Each committee will review the 2024 International Code Council (ICC) codes for the following:

- Building Code
- Existing Building Code
- Residential Code
- Fire Code
- Mechanical Code
- Plumbing Code
- Fuel Gas Code
- National Electrical Code (2023 NFPA 70)
- Swimming Pool and Spa Code

ISSUE:

For additional information on the process, please visit the SASpeakUP page at www.saspeakup.com/a5424

FISCAL IMPACT:

None

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

N/A