



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 25-0614, **Agenda Item #:** 45.

4/10/2025

Posting Language

Conduct a public hearing and consider an ordinance repealing and replacing Division 1 of Article 1 (Building Code) of City Code Chapter 25-12 (Technical Codes) to adopt the 2024 International Building Code and local amendments; and creating offenses; and repealing and replacing Article 10 (Existing Building Code) of City Code Chapter 25-12 (Technical Codes) to adopt the 2024 International Existing Building Code and local amendments; and creating offenses. Funding: This item has no fiscal impact.

Lead Department

Development Services Department.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

Prior Council Action:

June 3, 2021 - Council approved Ordinance No. 20210603-059 adopting the 2021 International Building Code and local amendments, the 2021 International Existing Building Code and local amendments, and repealing and replacing Article 13 of City Code Chapter 25-12 on Mayor Pro Tem Harper-Madison's motion, Council Member Ellis' second on a 10-0 vote. Council Member Kelly was absent.

February 27, 2025 - Council set the public hearing for March 27 on Council Member Velasquez's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Fuentes' second on an 11-0 vote.

March 27, 2025 - Council conducted a public hearing but took no action.

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Council Committee, Boards and Commission Action:

August 28, 2024 - Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals recommended adoption of the 2024 International Existing Building Code and related local amendments on a 7-0 vote.

February 27, 2025 - Council set the public hearing for March 27 on Council Member Velasquez's motion, Mayor Pro Tem Fuentes' second on an 11-0 vote.

Additional Backup Information:

The International Building Code provides minimum requirements to safeguard the public health, safety and general welfare of the occupants of new and existing commercial and multi-family buildings and structures. The International Existing Building Code covers repair, alteration, addition, and change of occupancy for existing buildings and historic buildings while achieving appropriate levels of safety without requiring full compliance with the new construction requirements contained in the other codes. The proposed ordinance reduces local amendments, clarifies existing amendments, and provides more flexibility to the design community. The Development Services Department obtained stakeholder feedback through the Public Input

platform.