



## Building and Fire Board of Appeals RECOMMENDATION 20240327-2

Date: March 27, 2024

Subject: Code Amendment on Bedroom Window Requirements

Motioned By Allison Satt

Seconded By: Alan Schumann

### **Recommendation**

*Approve a recommendation for local amendments that will require natural lighting in a bedroom window of residential use commercial property in accordance with the International Building Code, Section 1204*

### **Description of Recommendation to Council**

*To provide Natural light to all sleeping rooms in commercial construction, whether it be borrowed or direct light to the outside through a window.*

### **Rationale:**

*Concerns were raised to Council Member Quadri's office on concerns to mental health and the welfare of the public. Studies indicated that without natural light deteriorated the quality of life and the welfare of people which created the risk of suicide. An amendment to this code is designed and intended to enforce the health, safety and welfare of the public.*

### **Vote 7-0**

For: Ron Buys, Alan Schumann, Ben Abzug, Aubrey Brasfield, Jim Rumbo, Allison Satt, Oren Mitzer

Against:

Abstain:

Absent: Ashley Juraska and Gary Wilks

Attest: Todd Wilcox, Building Official 