



MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda
Item No. XI. I
2/13/2024

The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

1. Ordinance to be introduced and set for final hearing February 27, 2024, relating to Mechanical Code; repealing Article I, Divisions I, II and III, Sections 29-1 through 29-6, of Chapter 29, of the Oklahoma City Municipal Code, 2020, in its entirety; enacting a new Article I, Divisions I, II and III, Sections 29-1 through 29-6, of Chapter 29, Mechanical Code, providing for the adoption of the International Mechanical Code, 2018 Edition and the International Fuel Gas Code, 2018 Edition, as amended by Resolution of Council; providing for publication by summary; amending Article V Mechanical Code Review and Appeals Commission, Division II Appeals Procedure, Section 29-121 Time, Notice and Effect; and providing for an effective date of March 1, 2024; and declaring an emergency; and
2. Resolution to be introduced and set for final hearing February 27, 2024, declaring the need for the adoption of the International Mechanical Code, 2018 Edition, and providing certain local amendments to said codes; and
3. Resolution to be introduced and set for final hearing February 27, 2024, declaring the need for the adoption of the International Fuel Gas Code, 2018 Edition and providing certain local amendments to said codes.

Purpose:

To update the commercial mechanical and fuel gas codes of The City of Oklahoma City by replacing the International Mechanical Code, 2015 Edition, and the International Fuel Gas Code, 2015 Edition, with the International Mechanical Code, 2018 Edition, and the International Fuel Gas Code, 2018 Edition, with local amendments.

Background:

Municipalities may adopt national compilations or codes of law relating to building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, and fire regulations to protect public health and safety. The City has previously adopted the 2015 International Mechanical Code and the 2015 International Fuel Gas Code with local amendments as the Oklahoma City Mechanical Code and Oklahoma City Fuel Gas Code respectively.

The attached Resolution will adopt the 2018 International Mechanical Code and 2018 International Fuel Gas Code with local amendments, as the Mechanical Code and Fuel Gas Code of the City of Oklahoma City. Changes to the Mechanical Code and Fuel Gas Code are expected to have little impact.

The Development Services Department and the Mechanical Code Commission have reviewed the proposed changes and local amendments to the 2018 International Mechanical Code and 2018 International Fuel Gas Code and recommends the changes be adopted.

The proposed ordinance to adopt the amended 2018 International Mechanical Code, and 2018 International Fuel Gas Code will make the changes to the Mechanical Code and Fuel Gas Code enforceable by law. The ordinance is scheduled to go into effect on the same day as are proposed amendments to the 2018 International Mechanical Code and 2018 International Fuel Gas Code.

Review:

Development Services Department

Recommendation: Ordinance and Resolution be introduced set for final hearing February 27, 2024.