

Town/City Uniform Building Code Adoption and Enforcement Policy

Introduction:

Town/City is committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of its residents by promoting high-quality construction practices. This policy outlines the adoption and enforcement of the 2015 International Building Code (IBC) within Town/City, potentially in collaboration with other Town/City towns.

Goals:

- Establish minimum standards for safe and sustainable building construction.
- Promote consistency in building regulations across Town/City.
- Protect public health, safety, and welfare through improved building quality.
- Encourage energy efficiency and accessibility in new construction.

Policy:

1. Code Adoption:

- The Town/City Council adopts the 2015 International Building Code (IBC) with any relevant amendments specific to Town/City.
- The adopted code will be available for public review at the Town/City Hall office and online at www.town/city.com.

2. Inter-local Agreement (Optional):

- Town/City will explore collaboration with interested towns within Mayes County for the joint adoption and enforcement of the IBC.
- A standardized enforcement process will be established through an Inter-local Agreement (ILA) outlining shared responsibilities and resource allocation.

3. Enforcement:

- The Town/City Development office will be responsible for enforcing the adopted building code.
- Permitting and inspection procedures will be established according to the IBC guidelines.
- Qualified building inspectors will be employed or contracted to ensure compliance.

4. Education and Outreach:

- An educational program will be developed to inform builders, developers, and the public about the adopted building code and its benefits.

- Workshops and informational materials will be provided to promote understanding and compliance.

5. Review and Updates:

- The adopted building code will be reviewed periodically for potential amendments or upgrades to reflect evolving building standards and technologies.
- Stakeholders, including builders, developers, and the public, will have opportunities to provide input during the review process.

Benefits of Collaboration:

- Sharing resources and expertise for efficient code enforcement.
- Creating a consistent construction environment across Town/City, potentially attracting more development.
- Offering a larger pool of qualified building inspectors.

Implementation:

- A task force will be established with representatives from Town/City government, potentially interested towns, building industry professionals, and the public.
- The task force will develop a detailed implementation plan outlining timelines, staffing needs, and public outreach strategies.
- Funding for code enforcement and educational programs will be identified through permit fees, potential grant opportunities, or budget allocations.

Conclusion:

The adoption and enforcement of a uniform building code will significantly enhance the quality of new construction within Town/City. By working collaboratively and promoting public awareness, this policy will ensure a safe and sustainable built environment for present and future generations.