ORDINANCE

No. _____

An Ordinance amending Articles III and V of Chapter 8 of the Columbus Code to adopt building code standard pertinent to "Tiny Houses" and to update certain references to the State of Georgia and International Property Maintenance Code; and for other purposes.

THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1.

Chapter 8, Article III. Building Code of the Columbus Code is hereby amended by deleting Section 8-14.1(e) and replacing it with a new Section 8-14.1 (e) to read as follows:

> "Appendices. To be enforceable, appendices must be referenced in the code text, adopted by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, or specifically adopted by Columbus, Georgia.
>
> Appendix BB, "Tiny Houses," of the International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings, in the latest edition adopted and made effective by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, together with all applicable Georgia State Amendments, is hereby adopted by reference and incorporated into the Building Code of Columbus, Georgia. The Department of Inspections and Code shall administer and enforce Appendix BB in accordance with this article. All applicable zoning and other land-use requirements shall remain in effect.

SECTION 2.

Chapter 8 Article V Property Maintenance Code of the Columbus Code is hereby amended by deleting Section 8-41 in its entirety and substituting a new Section 8-41 to read as follows:

> "The provisions embraced within the following sections, together with Chapters 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 of the latest edition of the International Property Maintenance Code, published by the International Code Council, Inc., as adopted and made effective by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, including all applicable Georgia State Amendments, are hereby adopted by reference as "The Property Maintenance Code of Columbus, Georgia," hereinafter referred to as "this code," for the purpose of establishing minimum housing standards to maintain health and cleanliness, ensure safe and sanitary conditions, and provide penalties for violations.
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> Subsequent editions and applicable Georgia State Amendments adopted by the Georgia Department of Community Affairs shall automatically be incorporated by reference into this code, within the scope of the chapters adopted by this section, upon their respective effective dates established by the department.
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> A current copy of the adopted code and applicable Georgia State Amendments shall be maintained in the Inspections and Code Department."

SECTION 3.

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia, held the 10th day of November 2026; introduced a second time at a regular meeting of said Council held on the ____ day of _____ 2026, and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ____ members of said Council.

Councilor Allen	voting _____
Councilor Barnes	voting _____
Councilor Chambers	voting _____
Councilor Cogle	voting _____
Councilor Cook	voting _____
Councilor Crabb	voting _____
Councilor Davis	voting _____
Councilor Garrett	voting _____
Councilor Huff	voting _____
Councilor Tucker	voting _____

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Lindsey G. McLemore, Clerk of Council B.H. “Skip” Henderson, III, Mayor