



CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK

CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA COVER SHEET

Meeting Date	April 11, 2024
Originating Department	Building Department
Contact Person	Calvin Killman, Building Official
Title	Ordinance 24-1292/Adopting the 2021 International Building Code and other construction related codes

Legislative History

- First Presentation April 11, 2024 Work Session
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Attachments:

1. Draft Ordinance adopting the 2021 Building codes
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Executive Summary

The draft ordinance would adopt the 2021 International Building Code and other construction codes for Lake Forest Park. The State of Washington adopted the 2021 version, enacted in March 2024. The codes are proposed for adoption, along with the state and local amendments in the International Fire Code. The codes include the most recently approved new materials, practices, and safety features. It is helpful to permit holders and builders to have the latest codes available and, if they work in multiple cities, to be able to use the same codes.

Background

- Codes and Sources: The State of Washington primarily uses the international family of Building Codes (Building, Residential, Mechanical, Fire, Plumbing, (National) Fuel Gas, (NFPA), Liquefied Petroleum Gas, Fuel Gas, (Uniform) Housing, (Uniform) Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, Washington State Energy Code, (National) Electrical, Existing Building Codes. A series of state amendments are adopted every three years to comport with state law. Every three years, the International Code Council of Building Officials (ICBO), National Fire Protection Association, and International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials review and update the family of codes and submit them for adoption. The briefing and action before the City Council is to review and consider adopting the 2021 updates.

- Chapter 15.04 of the Lake Forest Park Municipal Code (LFPMC) would be amended to adopt the most recent versions of the codes and chapter 15.10 LFPMC would be amended to include the updated references to sections of the Fire Code where the City has adopted local amendments.

Fiscal & Policy Implications

The main fiscal impact is the cost of a new set of code books every three years. The estimated cost is \$2,000 and is included in the budget.

Staff Recommendation

Review the draft ordinance and the proposed amendments.