



Pikes Peak Regional Building Unveils Draft of New Building Code 1st Round of Public Comment is Now Open

El Paso County – The first draft of the 2023 Pikes Peak Regional Building Code is now ready for review, and the public is being asked to weigh in.

The Pikes Peak Regional Building Department adopts a new Regional Building Code approximately every 6 years, which is every other cycle of the International Codes.

The Department has been working on the draft for more than a year now. Countless hours were invested in order to come up with affordable and logical code requirements that best suit our local community, while also addressing any new construction techniques, methods, and materials.

Adopting a new building code is a very long process. After unveiling the draft, the next step is collecting public comment. Anyone can submit their feedback to the Department through the PPRBD website – www.pprbd.org.

The first public comment period is now open and lasts until August 31. The Department will review all the comments given and put together a second version of the draft, followed by a second round of public comment. After the two public hearings, the code moves on to the Regional Building Advisory Committees and Building Commission, before eventually going to all 8 jurisdictions that PPRBD serves for approval.

The goal is to have the 2023 code approved and adopted by July of 2023. Once adopted, all new construction in the Pikes Peak region must meet the new 2023 code. This will apply to all homeowners doing projects on their own, and all of the roughly 6,000 licensed contractors in the Pikes Peak region.

The public is encouraged to read the new draft and give feedback as soon as possible.

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