



## AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

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<b>MEETING NAME:</b>	City Council Meeting
<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	September 16, 2024
<b>ITEM TITLE:</b>	Consider and take appropriate action on ordinances for amendments to Chapter 3 Building Regulations.
<b>STAFF INITIATOR:</b>	Tara Tomlinson, Director of Development Services

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### **BACKGROUND:**

*The following commentary is for the next 11 items.*

Over the past several months, our team has focused on identifying necessary amendments to the 2021 International Building Codes and the 2020 National Electrical Code. With expert guidance from Patrick Payne, SafeBuilt Building Inspector, and Robert Loveless, Texas Fire Code Consultant, we have reviewed 11 different ICC model codes and standards. In March, the City of Lubbock adopted the 2021 codes along with their amendments. For The City of Wolfforth, we used Lubbock's updates as a reference. Given that many builders work in both cities, aligning our amendments closely with Lubbock's ensures consistency and ease of compliance. Currently, the city adheres to the 2012 ICC model codes for building standards and the 2009 Energy Conservation Code. To address advancements in construction methods and regulatory requirements, it is crucial to update our codes to reflect more current standards.

### **EXHIBITS:**

1. Ordinance: 2021 International Mechanical Code

### **COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve 2021 ICC Code Ordinances and 2020 National Electric Code Ordinance.