

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM STAFF REPORT

| MEETING DATE: | December 9, 2025 |
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| TITLE: | Ordinance adopting building and fire safety codes with additions, deletions, and modifications, and repealing certain provisions related thereto, to the code of ordinances of the City of Collinsville, Illinois |
| DEPARTMENT: | Community Development |
| PROJECT MANAGER: | Kendrick Soer, Chief Building Official Travis Taylor, AICP, Community Development Director |
| REQUESTED ACTION: | Approval |
| STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS: | #1 Preserve and improve existing neighborhoods; #2 Maintain existing housing and attract new high-quality housing; #6 Keep Collinsville Safe |
| ATTACHMENTS: | Ordinance |

SUMMARY RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the Ordinance adopting building and fire safety codes with additions, deletions, and modifications, and repealing certain provisions related thereto, to the code of ordinances of the City of Collinsville, Illinois

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Staff proposes the repeal and replacement of Title 15, to allow for several amendments, including a reference to the current Illinois Energy Code. The City of Collinsville is currently operating under the 2018 year of the Illinois Energy Conservation Code. Beginning on January 1st, 2026, the State of Illinois will require enforcement of the 2024 Illinois Energy Conservation Code. Staff proposes the revision of the code to read the "Illinois Energy Conservation Code" to prevent further adoption every year the code revised by the State. Additionally, staff has included several amendments to the currently adopted codes and occupancy program to align and clarify the enforcement of the regulations. These items are as follows:

Occupancy Program Changes:

- 1. Definition of change in occupancy to include structures that are vacant and/or have no utilities active for a period of more than 1 year.
- 2. Clarifying that Emergency escape and rescue opening in basements must comply with section R310 of the 2021 International Residential Code.

Other Code Amendment Changes:

- 1. Clarification that all decks are required to have building permits in the 2021 IRC and IBC
- 2. Frost Depth footings are required on all construction greater than 400sqft.
- 3. Clarification to section 304.15 of the 2021 IPMC adding additional language for requiring exterior egress doors to maintain a 36" pathway to the public way.

DEPARTMENT REVIEW

Community Development; Legal; Admin

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RECOMMENDATION

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