

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE **INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, 2021 EDITION**; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; SETTING FEES; AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 38-18 AND ANY OTHER PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE AND ANY PORTION OF A RESOLUTION IN CONFLICT WITH THIS RESOLUTION..

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wyoming Statutes §§ 18-5-201, et seq., the Natrona County Board of County Commissioners (“BOCC”) has authority to enact regulations to promote the public health, safety, morals, and general welfare of the county; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC wants to enact regulations governing the installation, alteration, and repair of mechanical systems within the unincorporated area of Natrona County;

WHEREFORE, the BOCC resolves as follows:

Section 1. Short Title.

The short title for the code adopted by this Resolution is the "Mechanical Code of Natrona County."

Section 2. International Mechanical Code, 2021 Edition.

The BOCC adopts the International Mechanical Code, 2021 Edition (“IMC”) as modified herein. If a modification conflicts with another provision of the IMC, the modification controls.

Section 3. Modifications.

The IMC is modified by adding to, deleting, or amending the respective sections and subsections as follows.

- a. **IMC Subsection 101.1** is amended to “Herein ‘this code’ refers to the Mechanical Code of Natrona County.”
- b. **IMC Subsection 103.1** is amended to “A ‘Building Official’ from the Development Department, also referred to as a ‘code official,’ shall enforce this code.”
- c. **IMC Section 106.0** is added as follows:

IMC Subsection 106.0.1 is added and states “**Residential Dwellings.** To perform mechanical work on his/her own single family dwelling, a property owner shall obtain a permit from the Natrona County Development Department as required by Natrona County resolutions and Wyoming Statutes. A property owner may perform mechanical work on his/her own single family dwelling and is not required to use a licensed contractor. Except a property owner shall use a licensed contractor to (1) install, maintain, or repair a three-phase electrical service or (2) for structures and uses where the public is invited such as a bed and breakfast, guest house, and other similar structures and uses. With the exception in Section 106.2 all other mechanical work shall be performed by a licensed contractor.”

IMC Subsection 106.0.2 is added and states “**Agricultural Construction.** To perform mechanical work on his/her own agricultural property a property owner shall obtain permits from the Natrona County Development Department as required by Natrona County resolutions and Wyoming Statutes. A property owner may perform construction work on his/her own agricultural property including his/her dwelling and other structures and is not required to use a licensed contractor. Except a property owner shall use a licensed contractor (1) to install, maintain, or repair a three-phase electrical service, (2) to install an electrical unit—equipment over 200 volts to ground, and (3) for structures and uses where the public is invited such as a bed and breakfast, guest house, arena, sale barn, and other similar structures and uses.”

IMC Subsection 109.2 is amended to “Resolution 45-20 comprises the mechanical permit fee schedule.”

d **IMC Section 114 MEANS OF APPEAL** is deleted in its entirety and replaced with “An entity with standing may appeal an order or decision by Building Official regarding Building Official’s application and/or interpretation of this Code. Such entity (“Appellant”) must submit to the Development Department a written appeal within ten business days of the date of the order or decision Appellant is appealing. The appeal must include the Code section(s) at issue and the relief Appellant requests. An appeal is governed by Natrona County Resolution No-_____, *Establishment of and Rules of Practice for the Natrona County Development Board of Appeals*, as amended.”

e. **IMC Subsection 115.4** is amended to “Any person violating any provision of this code is guilty of a misdemeanor. Each and every day or portion thereof during which a violation of any provision of this code is committed, continued, or permitted constitutes a separate offense. Upon conviction, such person may be punished by a fine of not more than \$750.00 for each offense.”

f. **IMC Section 116** is added and states:

IMC Subsection 116.1 is added and states "**Unplatted Property**. In order for an applicant to obtain a permit for work on unplatted property, the applicant shall include with her/his application evidence of access to the property and a site plan."

IMC Subsection 116.2 is added and states "**Wyoming Licensed Engineer or Architect Required**. Plans and specifications including, but not limited to, structural, electrical, plumbing, and mechanical drawings shall be signed by a Wyoming licensed engineer or architect for any structure or addition to a structure that provides employment, housing, or assembly for 10 or more persons, has more than 5,000 square feet of floor area including any basement that is intended for use by the public, or is three or more stories high. A property owner may request the Building Official permit an exception to this subsection, and the Building Official may permit such exception based on the complexity and/or inherent risk of the construction."

g. **IMC Subsection 802.7** is amended to “Any vent termination greater than 42” high shall be guy wired or supported in another manner approved by the building official.”

Section 4. Repealer.

Resolution No. 38-18 and all other previous resolutions pertaining to the adoption of the International Mechanical Code and any portion of a resolution in conflict with this resolution are repealed.

Section 5. Savings Clause.

If any portion of this Resolution is determined by a court with jurisdiction to be invalid or otherwise unenforceable, the remainder of this Resolution shall remain in effect.

Section 6. Effective Date.

This Resolution becomes effective on and continues from the date it is filed with the County Clerk.

THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS RESOLVES THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, 2021 EDITION AS MODIFIED IS APPROVED.

APPROVED: _____

**NATRONA COUNTY BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Chair
ATTEST:

Tracy Good, County Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Natrona County Attorney’s Office