

RESOLUTION NO _____

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE **INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, 2021 EDITION** AS MODIFIED; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS; SETTING FEES; AND REPEALING RESOLUTION 57-18 AND ANY OTHER PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS PERTAINING TO THE ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE GAS CODE AND ANY PORTION OF A RESOLUTION IN CONFLICT WITH THIS RESOLUTION.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Wyoming Statutes §§ 18-5-201, et seq. and 35-9-101 through 35-9-121.1, 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, Wyoming Statutes § 35-9-401 authorizes the BOCC to appoint a county fire warden who shall act under the authority of Title 35 Chapter 9, Fire Protection, §§ 35-9-101 through 35-9-615, and the local government authority responsible for fire suppression and fire prevention within the county;

WHEREAS, the BOCC wants to enact regulations governing fire suppression and fire prevention 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 “Fire Code of Natrona County.”

Section 2. International Fire Code, 2021 Edition.

The BOCC adopts the *International Fire Code, Edition* (the “IFC”) as modified herein, and:

Appendix D, Fire Apparatus Access Roads,

Appendix E, Hazard Categories,

Appendix F, Hazard Ranking,

Appendix G, Cryogenic Fluids – Weight and Volume Equivalents, and

Appendix N, Indoor Trade Shows and Exhibitions

If a modification conflicts with another provision of the IFC, the modification controls.

Section 3. Modifications.

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

a. IFC Subsection 101.1 Title is amended by deleting it and replacing it with:

101.1 Title. The short title for the code adopted by this Resolution is the “Fire Code of Natrona County”. Herein “this code” refers to the Fire Code of Natrona County.

b. IFC Subsection 104.1 General is amended by deleting it and replacing it with:

104.1 General. The Natrona County Fire District (“NCFD”) shall act as the “department of fire prevention” for the unincorporated area of Natrona County. The NCFD Fire Marshall and/or her/his designee shall act as the “fire code official” authorized to interpret, administer, and enforce this code. The fire code official may establish procedures and adopt policies and rules to assist administering and enforcing this code.

c. IFC Section 111 MEANS OF APPEAL is amended by deleting subsections 111.1, 111.2, 111.3, and 111.4, and replacing them with: “An entity with standing may appeal an order or decision by Fire Code Official regarding Fire Code Official’s application and/or interpretation of this Code. Such entity (“Appellant”) must submit to the Natrona County Fire Protection District a written appeal within ten days of the date of the order or decision Appellant is appealing. The Board of Directors of Natrona County Fire Protection District will consider an appeal within 45 days of receipt of the appeal.”

d. IFC Section 112 Violations is amended by deleting all subsections replacing them with:

112.1 Violations. Any person, including an officer or other agent of a corporation or association who participates in or is an accessory to, 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. In accordance with Wyo. Stat. §§ 35-9-130, as amended, upon conviction:

a) A person may be punished for each offense by a fine of not more than \$500.00 and/or imprisonment for not more than six months and/or revocation of her/his license.

b) A corporation may be punished for each offense by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 and/or revocation of its license.

e. IFC Subsection 202 is amended to add:

Mobile Food Preparation Vehicles: Any mobile food preparation vehicles including pull behind trailers that are equipped with appliances that produce grease laden vapor.

f. IFC Section 307 Open Burning, Recreational Fires and Portable Outdoor Fireplaces is amended by adding the following subsections:

g. IFC Subsection 307.3 Extinguishment Authority is amended as follows:

307.3 Extinguishment authority. Where open burning creates or adds to a hazardous situation, or a required permit for open burning has not been obtained, the *fire code official*, other agents of NCFD, and the Natrona County Sheriff and deputies ~~is~~ are authorized to order the extinguishment of the open burning operation.

h. IFC Subsection 307.5 Attendance is amended as follows:

i. 307.5 Attendance. *Open burning, bonfires, recreational fires* and use of portable outdoor fireplaces shall be constantly attended by a person who is 18 years old or older until the fire is extinguished. . . . [remainder unchanged]

j. 307.6 Notification. Permittee must notify the Natrona County Dispatch Center prior to commencing a permitted burn and again after the burn is extinguished.

k. 307.7 Paper products prohibited. Open burning of paper products is prohibited. In an open burn, a permittee may burn only natural material such as wood, grass, leaves, sagebrush, and other vegetation.

l. 307.8 Time. An open burn may occur from 0600 to 1100. A permittee may request an exception to have an open burn outside of this time.

m. IFC Subsection 506.1 Key Boxes – Where Required is amended as follows:

506.1 Where required. Where access to or within a structure or an area is restricted because of secured openings or where immediate access is necessary for life-saving or fire-fighting purposes, the *fire code official* is authorized to require a key box to be installed in an approved location and between 48” and 60” above the finished grade. The key box shall be of an *approved* type listed in accordance with UL 1037, and shall contain keys to gain necessary access as required by the *fire code official* and emergency contact information for the property owner or her/his designee. . . . [remainder unchanged]

Section 4. Repealer.

Resolution No. 57-18 and all other previous resolutions pertaining to the adoption of the International Fuel Gas 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 FIRE 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

For Review