

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 10 SECTION 10-2 OF THE AIKEN CITY CODE TO INCORPORATE THE 2021 EDITIONS OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, WITH MODIFICATIONS; INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, WITH MODIFICATIONS; INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE, WITH MODIFICATIONS; INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE, WITH MODIFICATIONS; INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE, WITH MODIFICATIONS; INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE; THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE; THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, WITH MODIFICATIONS; THE INTERNATIONAL SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE; AND THE 2020 EDITION OF THE NFPA NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, WITH MODIFICATIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Aiken is required under SC Code Section 6-9-10(A) to enforce building, energy, electrical, plumbing, mechanical, gas, and fire codes, as approved by the South Carolina Building Codes Counsel (SCBCC); and,

WHEREAS, the City of Aiken is required under SC Code Sections 6-9-50(A) and 6-9-60 by the South Carolina Building Codes Counsel (SCBCC) to adopt certain editions of various construction codes, and the City Council of Aiken has concluded that adoption of these codes and these revisions is essential to the general health, safety, welfare, and economic stability of the City, and is in the best interest of its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AIKEN HEREBY ORDAINS THAT:

Section 1: Section 10-2, Aiken City Code, as set forth herein, shall be, and hereby is, further amended to read as follows:

Sec. 10-2. Building Codes.

The following codes, which have been promulgated and published by the International Code Council, Inc., and formally adopted by the South Carolina Building Codes Council, (SCBCC), are hereby adopted and incorporated herein by reference to the same extent as if set out here fully word for word, and the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the City as to matters covered by them:

1. International Building Code, 2021 Edition, including Chapter 1 Administration and South Carolina Modifications.
2. International Fire Code, 2021 Edition, including Chapter 1 Administration and South Carolina Modifications.

3. International Fuel Gas Code, 2021 Edition, including Chapter 1 Administration and South Carolina Modifications.
4. International Plumbing Code, 2021 Edition, including Chapter 1 Administration and South Carolina Modifications.
5. International Mechanical Code, 2021 Edition, including Chapter 1 Administration and South Carolina Modifications.
6. International Energy Conservation Code as adopted by the State of South Carolina.
7. International Property Maintenance Code, 2021 Edition.
8. NFPA National Electrical Code, 2020 Edition with South Carolina Modifications.
9. International Residential Code, 2021 Edition, including Chapter 1 Administration and South Carolina Modifications.
10. International Swimming Pool and Spa Code, 2021 Edition.
11. A copy of each of these Codes adopted by this section shall be kept on file in the City of Aiken's Buildings Inspection Division and available for public inspection during normal office hours.
12. It shall be unlawful for any person to violate any provisions of any building or construction code adopted by this section and any person convicted of such violation shall be punished as prescribed by Section 1-13, Aiken City Code, as amended.
13. In the event of any conflict between the provisions of any code or regulation adopted by, or set forth in, this chapter and any other law, code, ordinance, or regulation of the City, or state, the more restrictive law, code, ordinance, or regulation shall apply and control.

Section 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict are hereby repealed to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

Section 3: This Ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2023.

ADOPTED by the Council of the City of Aiken at a regular meeting held this 28th day of November, 2022, at which a quorum was present and voting.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING: November 14, 2022

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION: November 28, 2022

CITY OF AIKEN

BY: Rick N. Osbon
ITS: Mayor

APPROVED:

BY:
ITS: Attorney

ATTEST:

BY: Sara B. Ridout
ITS: Clerk