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ORDINANCE NO. G-1399

AN ORDINANCE amending Sections 18-31 through and including Section 18-35 of the Pittsburg City Code and adopting and incorporating by reference the 2024 Edition of The International Residential Code, prepared, compiled and promulgated as a standard of the International Code Council (ICC), save and except such parts or portions as deleted, modified, supplemented or amended by Sections 18-32, 18-33, 18-34 and 18-35 and repealing Ordinance No. G-1241 of the City of Pittsburg, Kansas.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF PITTSBURG, KANSAS:

Section 1. Section 18-31 of the Pittsburg City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 18-31. International Residential Code Adopted.

The International Residential Code (IRC), 2024 edition, prepared, compiled and promulgated as a standard of the International Code Council (ICC), of which not less than one (1) copy is on file with the Office of the City Clerk, is hereby adopted and incorporated by reference fully as set forth herein, except as only such parts or portions thereof as are deleted, modified, supplemented or amended by Sections 18-32, 18-33, 18-34 and 18-35.

Section 2. Section 18-32 of the Pittsburg City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 18-32 of the Pittsburg City Code. Chapters Deleted.

Chapter 11 is deleted in its entirety.

Section 3. Section 18-33 of the Pittsburg City Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 18-33 of the Pittsburg City Code. References Deleted.

- (a) All references to the International Private Sewage Disposal Code, and International Energy Conservation Code are hereby deleted.
- (b) All references to Automatic Sprinkler Systems for one-and two-family dwellings are hereby deleted in their entirety in accordance with K.S.A. 12-16, 219.

Section 4. Section 18-34 of the Pittsburg City Code is amended as follows:

Sec. 18-34 of the Pittsburg City Code. References Modified.

- (a) All references to the International Code Council Electrical Code shall be changed to the current adopted National Electrical Code (NEC).
- (b) All references to the International Plumbing Code shall be changed to the current adopted Uniform Plumbing Code.

Section 5. Section 18-35 of the Pittsburgh City Code is amended as follows:

Sec. 18-35 of the Pittsburgh City Code. Amendments, Modifications and Supplements.

(a) Section 103 of the 2024 Edition of The International Residential Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 103.3 Deputies

103.3 Deputies. In accordance with the prescribed procedures of this jurisdiction and with the concurrence of the appointing authority, the Building Official shall have the authority to appoint a deputy Building Official, the related technical officers, inspectors, plan examiners, and other employees. Such employees shall have powers as delegated by the Building Official.

(b) Section 104 of the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section 104. Duties and Powers of the Building Official

104.8 Liability. The Building Official or employee charged with the enforcement of this code, while acting for the jurisdiction, in good faith and without malice in the discharge of the duties required by this code or other pertinent law or ordinance, shall not thereby be rendered liable personally, and is hereby relieved from all personal liability for any damage accruing to persons or property as a result of an act or by reason of an act or omission in the discharge of official duties. Any suit instituted against any officer or employee because of an act performed by that officer or employee in the lawful discharge of duties and under the provisions of this code shall be defended by the jurisdiction until the final termination of the proceedings. The Building Official or any subordinate shall not be liable for costs in any action, suit or proceeding instituted for the good faith discharge of duties under the provisions of this code.

(c) Section R108.2 Schedule of Permit Fees of the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section R108.2 Schedule of Permit Fees.

Total Valuation	Fee
\$1.00 - \$1,000.00	\$30.00
\$1,001.00 - \$2,000.00	\$40.00
\$2,001.00 - \$5,000.00	\$50.00
\$5,001.00 - \$10,000.00	\$70.00
\$10,001.00 - \$25,000.00	\$100.00 for the first \$10,001.00, plus \$7.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$25,000.00.
\$25,001.00 - \$50,000.00	\$200.00 for the first \$25,001.00, plus \$5.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00.
\$50,001.00 - \$100,000.00	\$300.00 for the first \$50,001.00, plus \$4.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00.
\$100,001.00 and up	\$509.00 for the first \$100,001.00, plus \$3.00 for each additional \$1,000.00 or fraction thereof.

(d) Section R112 of the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section R112. Board of Appeals/Building Trades Review Board.

- (1) Purpose. For the purpose of determining questions of fact as to the acceptability and adequacy of alternate materials, equipment, and types of construction and for providing for the review of the interpretation of this code, there is hereby established the Building Code Board of Appeals / Building Trades Review Board, described as the board.
- (2) Right of appeal. Any decision of the Building Official in the enforcement of the building codes may be appealed to the board by any person aggrieved or by any officer, department, board or commission of the City affected by any decision of said Building Official. Such appeal must be taken within thirty (30) days from the date of the order or other ruling appealed, by filing with the Building Official a written notice of appeal setting forth the ground therefore. Before the board is called, the appellant shall pay a fee as established by ordinance, payable to the City. The Building Official shall then transmit to the Board all

papers constituting the record upon which the action appealed from is taken. An appeal stays all enforcement proceedings of the action appealed from except in emergency cases.

(3) Composition and appointment.

- (a) Composition. The board shall consist of seven (7) members. Each member shall be qualified by experience and training and pass upon matters pertaining to building construction and shall have had five (5) years' experience in his occupation. The Board shall be composed as follows:
- One member shall be a professional engineer registered by the state;
 - One member shall be an architect registered by the state;
 - One member shall be a building contractor;
 - One member shall be a licensed mechanical master;
 - One member shall be a licensed master electrician;
 - One member shall be a licensed master plumber;
 - One member shall be a lay member.
- (b) Appointments. Members shall be appointed by the Governing Body. The first four (4) members appointed to the Board will serve four (4) years; the next three (3) members shall serve three (3) years. Vacancies shall be filled by appointment for the unexpired term only. The Governing Body may remove members for just cause upon written notice.
- (c) Powers and duties. The board shall have the power to approve the use of alternate materials, equipment and types of construction whenever, in any specific case, the board shall find and determine that the application for a general rule or regulation governing such use will, by reason of exceptional circumstances or conditions, constitute a practical hardship; to hear and render decisions on all appeals from the decisions of the Building Official; and to hear and render decisions on appeals from the various examining committees created by the building code. The board shall further be empowered to interpret the intent of the building code in specific cases and to authorize responsible, minimum variance from the literal provision of the code where it is determined that such variance is, for the purpose intended, at least the equivalent of that prescribed in the code with respect to quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety. All rulings and actions of the board shall be consistent with the spirit and intent of the building code with respect to safety of human life. The board shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations for its conduct as it may deem necessary to carry out the requirements of this code. The board may recommend to the Building Official such new legislation as is consistent with their decisions.

- (d) Meetings. The board shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of the appeal, as well as due notice to the parties in interest, and decide the same within a reasonable time. A majority of the Board shall constitute a quorum. A majority affirmative vote of a quorum shall be necessary for any action taken by the Board. Upon the hearing before the Board, any party may appear in person or by agent or by attorney. In the hearing of appeals before the Board, all testimony, objections thereto, and rulings shall be recorded and permanent records kept.
- (e) Conflict of interest. No member of the Board shall vote on any matter in which he or she has a direct or financial interest.
- (f) Right of appeal. Any party aggrieved by any notice, finding or order may request a hearing before the Board; and any interested party aggrieved by the determination of the board of appeals may appeal to the District Court within 30 days as provided by K.S.A. 60-2101(d).

(e) Section 113 Violations of the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code hereby amended as follows:

Section 113. Violations. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm, or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, convert or demolish, equip, use, occupy or maintain any building or structure in the City, or cause the same to be done, contrary to or in violation of any of the provisions of this code. Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this code shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable as prescribed by Sec. 1-7 of the City Code, and each such person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day or portion thereof during which any violation of the provisions of this code is committed, continue or permitted and, upon conviction of any such violation, such person shall be guilty of an offense.

(f) Table R301.2 of the 2012 Edition of the International Residential Code is hereby amended as follows:

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Ground Snow Load	Wind Design		Seismic Design Category	Subject to Damage From			Winter Design Temp	Ice Barrier Underlayment Required	Flood Hazards	Air Freezing Index	Mean Annual Temp
	Speed (mph)	Topographic effects		Weathering	Frost line Depth	Termite					
20	90	NO	A	Severe	18"	M-H	7	NO		750	55

(g) Section R308.1 Address identification of the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code is hereby amended as follows:

Section R308.1 Address identification. New and existing buildings shall be provided with approved address numbers or letters by the provisions of City Code Sec. 74-165 through Sec. 74-166.

Section 6. Ordinance No. G-1241 and any other ordinance of the City in conflict with the provisions set forth are hereby repealed.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force after its passage and publication of its summary in the City's official newspaper.

APPROVED this 14th day of July, 2026.

Chuck Munsell

Mayor – Chuck Munsell

ATTEST:

Tammy Nagel

City Clerk - Tammy Nagel
(SEAL)

