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AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MUNICIPAL CODE OF THE CITY OF CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, BY REPEALING CHAPTER 33 THEREOF ENTITLED "BUILDING CODE," CONSISTING OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, 2003 EDITION AND THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CODE, 2003 EDITION AS AMENDED; AND ENACTING AND ADOPTING A NEW CHAPTER 33 IN LIEU THEREOF ENTITLED "BUILDING CODE," BEING THIS ORDINANCE HEREAFTER SET OUT, WHICH ADOPTS BY REFERENCE, WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE, 2006 EDITION, AND THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CODE, 2006 EDITION, AS PUBLISHED BY THE INTERNATIONAL CODE COUNCIL, INC., REGULATING THE ERECTION, CONSTRUCTION, ENLARGEMENT, ALTERATION, REPAIR, MOVING, REMOVAL, CONVERSION, DEMOLITION, OCCUPANCY, EQUIPMENT, USE, AREA, HEIGHT, AND MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES IN THE CITY OF CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA; PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF PERMITS AND COLLECTION OF FEES THEREOF; PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF; AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT THEREWITH.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA, as follows:

**SECTION 1** Chapter 33 of the Municipal Code of the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, entitled, "Building Code," being the International Building Code, 2003 Edition as amended; and the International Residential Building Code, 2003 Edition as amended, is hereby repealed and a new Chapter 33 is hereby adopted in lieu thereof, as follows:

**BUILDING CODE**

**33.01 INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE ADOPTED.** Except as hereinafter added to, deleted, modified, or amended, there is hereby adopted as the Building Code of the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, that certain building code known as the International Building Code, 2006 Edition (hereinafter to be known as the IBC) and the International Residential Building Code, 2006 Edition (hereinafter to be known as the IRC), as published by the International Code Council, Inc. The provisions of said building code shall be controlling in the construction of buildings and other structures and in all matters covered by said Building Code within the corporate limits of the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and shall be known as the Cedar Rapids Building Code. The appendices and the International Property Maintenance Code, 2006 Edition are approved for reference only.

**33.02 SCOPE.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by deleting the exception of Section 101.2 IBC

**33.03 REFERENCED CODES.** The Cedar Rapids Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 101.4 of the IBC as follows:

- Section 101.4.1 ELECTRICAL - Delete in it's entirety
- Section 101.4.2 GAS - Delete in it's entirety
- Section 101.4.3 MECHANICAL - Delete in it's entirety
- Section 101.4.4 PLUMBING - Delete in it's entirety
- Section 101.4.7 ENERGY - Delete in it's entirety

**33.04 CREATION OF ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 103.1 of the IBC and Section R103.1 of the IRC by adding the following paragraph to said Section: The term building official is intended to also mean the Director of the Community Development Department and his or her representatives or designees, who are

herewith delegated the same powers, authorities, duties and responsibilities as designated for the building official. The Community Development Department, Building/Zoning Division is under the supervision of the City Manager.

**33.05 REQUIRED PERMITS.** Any person or person(s) doing work regulated by this code, or causing such work shall first make application to the Building Official and obtain the required permit prior to such work.

**33.06 CONFLICT OF INTEREST.** The Building official, inspectors and other employees in the Department of Community Development Building Division who are engaged in the building inspections or plan review activities shall not directly or indirectly perform and/or be involved in any work, sales of services, equipment, materials or systems regulated by the Code for any financial gains/benefits nor enter into any written or verbal contractual agreements for financial gains/benefits. Employees may perform work or activities regulated by the Code when it is without compensation or other financial benefits. In no event, shall the employee inspect or be involved in the inspection process on any project where the employee performed work or has a financial interest."

**33.07 WORK EXEMPT FROM PERMIT.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 105.2 of the IBC and Section R105.2 of the IRC as follows:

**BUILDING:**

IBC and IRC #1. One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 120 square feet (11.15m<sup>2</sup>) The structure must comply with all applicable Zoning restrictions.

IBC and IRC Item #2: Delete

IRC #6 Replace with the following: "Painting, papering, exterior tiling, carpeting, or similar work, cabinets and/or countertops replaced in same location."

IRC #7 Replace with the following: "Prefabricated and/or inflatable swimming pools that are not permanently installed."

IRC #10 Add as follows: "Gutters, replacement storm windows, storm doors and screens."

**ELECTRICAL:** - Delete in their entirety

**GAS:** - Delete in their entirety

**MECHANICAL:** - Delete in their entirety

**PLUMBING:** - Delete in their entirety

**33.08 EXPIRATION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 105.5 of the IBC and Section R105.5 of the IRC by adding a new Section 105.5.1 as follow:

105.5.1 EXPIRATION. Every building permit issued under the provisions of this Code shall expire twelve (12) months from the date of issue, unless the application is accompanied by a construction schedule of specific longer duration, in which instance the permit may be issued for the term of the construction schedule, with approval of the building official. If the work has not been completed by the expiration date of the permit, no further work shall be done until the permit has been renewed by the owner or his or her agent and by payment of the renewal fee as established by Resolution of the City Council, and provided no changes have been made in plans or location.

**33.09 SUSPENSION OR REVOCATION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 105.6 of the IBC and Section R105.6 of the IRC by adding the following paragraph to said Section:

Before any permit is suspended or revoked, the building official will provide notice to the person to whom the permit and/or owner was issued setting forth the facts and circumstances constituting the basis of such action, and providing an opportunity to be heard.

**33.10 PAYMENT OF FEES.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 108.1 of the IBC and Section R108.1 of the IRC by deleting the word “valid” from the first sentence and inserting in lieu thereof the word “issued.”

**33.11 SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by repealing Section 108.2 of the IBC and Section R108.2 of the IRC and by replacing said Section with a new Section as follows:

Section 108.2 SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES. Building permits shall not be issued until the fees, as set forth and established by resolution of the City Council, have been paid to the City Treasurer. An amended building permit or a supplemental permit for additional construction shall not be issued until the permit fee for the additional valuation has been paid.

The permit fee shall be based upon the valuation of the proposed construction and shall be computed from tables set by resolution of the City Council.

**33.12 PLAN REVIEW FEES.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by adding a new Section 108.2.1 as follows:

Section 108.2.1 PLAN REVIEW FEES. Fees for all plan reviews shall be as set forth and established by resolution of the City Council. All such fees shall be paid in accordance with the terms and requirements of such resolution, or as the same may be amended by the City Council from time to time.

**33.13 BUILDING PERMIT VALUATIONS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by repealing Section 108.3 of the IBC and Section R108.3 of the IRC and by replacing said Section with a new Section as follows.

Section 108.3 BUILDING PERMIT VALUATIONS. The determination of value or valuation under any of the provisions of the Cedar Rapids Building Code shall be made by the building official. The valuation to be used in computing the building permit fees and the plan review fees shall be the total value of all construction work for which the permit is issued as well as all finish work, roofing, permanent accessories, and the usual cost of labor, whether such labor is performed by the owner or by others. Such valuation excludes the cost of the lot or improvements to the lot, such as grading, landscaping, walks, or drives.

Exception: Exclude the cost of air conditioning, electrical, heating, plumbing or ventilation systems in occupancies in Group R-2 or R-3.

The valuation for additional new work, or for alteration, remodeling, repairs or replacement shall include cost of materials and labor for the construction of the new work, repairs, replacements, additions, or remodeling.

The building inspector or plans examiner shall correct the determination of value of any work for which a permit is issued if such valuation appears to be in error or misstated. If the permit or plan review fees are reduced as a result of such correction, a refund will be issued to the applicant. If such fees are increased, the applicant shall pay all additional fees. Failure to pay any such

additional fees may result in revocation of any permit issued, or work stoppage as otherwise provided in the Cedar Rapids Building Code.

**33.14 RE-INSPECTION FEES.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 108.4 of the IBC and Section R108.4 of the IRC, by adding a new Section 108.4.1 as follows:

Section 108.4.1 RE-INSPECTION FEES. A re-inspection fee may be assessed for each inspection or re-inspection when such work or portion of such work for which the inspection is called for is not complete or when corrections called for are not made.

Re-inspection fees may be assessed when the inspection card is not posted or otherwise available on the work site, the approved plans are not readily available to the inspector, access is not provided on the date for which the inspection is requested, or when there is a deviation from plans requiring approval of the building official.

This Section shall also be used as a measure to preclude the practice of calling for inspections before the job is ready for said inspection or re-inspection.

**33.15 PLUMBING, MECHANICAL, GAS and ELECTRICAL SYSTEMS INSPECTION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R109.1.2 of the IRC by deleting the exception as follows:

Section R109.1.2 EXCEPTION. Delete in its entirety.

**33.16 ENERGY EFFICIENCY INSPECTIONS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 109 of the IBC by deleting Section 109.3.7 as follows:

Section 109.3.7 ENERGY EFFICIENCY INSPECTIONS. Delete in its entirety.

**33.17 BOARD OF APPEALS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by repealing Section 112.1 of the IBC and Section R112.1 of the IRC and by replacing said Section with a new Section as follows:

Section 112.1 BOARD OF APPEALS. In order to hear and decide appeals concerning the suitability of alternate materials and methods of construction and to hear and decide appeals of determinations made by the building official or Fire Marshal or designated representative concerning interpretations of the provisions of this Code or the International Fire Code there shall be and is hereby created a Board of Appeals, consisting of seven members whose place of business, residence, or work is located in the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and who are qualified by experience and training to pass upon matters pertaining to building construction. The building official or designee shall be an ex-officio member and shall act as Secretary of the Board for appeals involving this Code. The Fire Marshal or designee shall also be an ex-officio member and shall act as Secretary of the Board for appeals involving the International Fire Code. The Board of Appeals shall be appointed by the City Manager with approval of the City Council. The present Board members shall serve the remainder of their appointed terms or until their successors are duly appointed and qualified. All successive appointments or re-appointments shall be for two-year terms. The Board shall adopt reasonable rules and regulations for conducting its investigations and shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the building official, with a duplicate copy to the appellant. The Board shall have no authority to waive requirements of this Code or the International Fire Code.

**33.18 BOARD OF APPEALS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R112 of the IRC by deleting Sections R112.2.1 and R112.2.2 as follows:

Section 112.2.1 DETERMINATION OF SUBSTANTIAL IMPROVEMENT IN AREAS PRONE TO FLOODING. Delete in its entirety.

Section 112.2.2 CRITERIA FOR ISSUANCE OF A VARIANCE FOR AREAS PRONE TO FLOODING. Delete in its entirety.

**33.19 STOP WORK ORDER.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 114.1 of the IBC and Section R114.1 of the IRC by adding the following paragraph to said Sections:

Before any permit is suspended or revoked, the building official will provide notice to the person to whom the permit was issued setting forth the facts and circumstances constituting the basis of such action.

**33.20 UNSAFE, VACANT AND ABANDONED BUILDINGS, AND ABANDONED PROJECTS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 115 of IBC by adding a new Section 115.6 as follow:

Section 115.6 UNSAFE, VACANT AND ABANDONED BUILDINGS. This section shall also apply to structures regulated by the IRC. In addition to the authority granted by the provisions of Section 115 of IBC, the building official is hereby authorized to exercise emergency measures to protect the health, safety and public welfare of the community by certain procedures as follows:

1. Inspect the building and surrounding premises to determine the extent of dilapidation, damage, obsolescence, fire hazard and risk as an attractive nuisance as determined by the building official.
2. Inform the owner or owner's agent of the unsafe, dangerous or hazardous conditions that cause such building to be unsafe or an attractive nuisance.
3. Inform the owner or owner's agent of the applicable provisions of Section 115 of the IBC and secure a commitment from the owner, or owner's agent, regarding a time schedule and manner of compliance with said Section.
4. Order the prompt boarding-up of the windows, doors, and other openings of unsafe or vacant buildings to prevent unauthorized access or the perpetuation of an attractive nuisance during the time that is necessary to gain compliance with the Cedar Rapids Building Code.
5. Upon the failure of the owner or owner's agent to comply with the order to close, board up and secure an unsafe building within seven (7) days time after receiving such order, the Building Official, after notice and opportunity for hearing, may cause the openings boarded up and secured, or the premises barricaded and fenced, and the unsafe conditions abated, with the cost of such construction, barricading fencing and abatement to be assessed against the property.

**33.21 CLIMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DESIGN CRITERIA.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Table R301.2(1) of the IRC as follows:

**TABLE R301.2(1)  
CLIMATIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DESIGN CRITERIA**

GROUND SNOW LOAD	WIND SPEED MPH	SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY	SUBJECT TO DAMAGE FROM				WINTER	FLOOD HAZARDS
			Weathering	Frost Line Depth	Termite	Decay	DESIGN TEMP	NFIP Adoption
30 PSF	90	A	Severe	42"	Moderate -Heavy	Slight - Moderate	-5° F	12/15/82

**33.22 LANDING AT DOORS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R311.4.3 of the IRC as follows: Replace the word “two” with the word “three” in exception #1.

**33.23 PROFILE.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by deleting Section R311.5.3.3 of the International Residential Building Code, 2006 Edition.

**33.24 CONTINUOUS HANDRAILS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R311.5.6.2 of the IRC by adding the following exception 3:

Section R311.5.6.2 EXCEPTION 3: Offsets or interruptions of six inches or less in total length shall be considered, for the purpose of this code, to be continuous.

**33.25 FLOOD RESISTANT CONSTRUCTION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R323 of the IRC by deleting the Section as follows:

Section R323: Delete in its entirety.

**33.26 FROST PROTECTION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R403.1.4 of the IRC by adding the following exception 4:

Section R403.1.4.1 EXCEPTION 4: Detached accessory buildings 1,250 square feet or less in size need only have a grade beam a minimum of 12-inches wide by 6-inches thick around outside perimeter, excluding floor thickness.

**33.27 FOUNDATION DRAINAGE.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R405.1 of the IRC by deleting the exception as follows:

Section R405.1 EXCEPTION. Delete in its entirety.

**33.28 UNDER-FLOOR SPACE.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R408 of the IRC by adding a new Section R408.3.1 as follows:

Section R408.3.1 FLOOR SURFACE CRAWL SPACE AND SUBBASEMENTS. All crawl space or sub-basement floors shall be capped with a minimum of 1-1/2 inches of concrete over 6-mil vapor barrier. Said concrete mixture shall be a minimum of 1500-PSI strength.

**33.29 CONSTRUCTION CLASSIFICATION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 602 of the IBC by adding the following Section 602.1.2:

Section 602.1.2 Buildings or structures hereafter erected, constructed, altered, remodeled or moved within or into the Central Business District, as defined in the Cedar Rapids Fire Code, shall be only of non-combustible construction and shall meet the fire-resistive requirements of the Building Code.

**33.30 WEATHER-RESISTANT SHEATHING PAPER.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section R703.2 of the IRC by deleting the exception:

Exception R703.2. Delete in its entirety.

**33.31 ATTACHMENTS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Table R703.4 of the IRC by deleting all responses in column designated Sheathing Paper Required and inserting in lieu thereof the word "YES" throughout:

Column SHEATHING PAPER REQUIRED. Change all instances to read YES.

**33.32 GROUP R.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by repealing Section 903.2.7 of the IBC and replacing said Section with a new Section as follows:

Section 903.2.7 Group R. An automatic sprinkler system, in compliance with Section 903, as applicable, shall be provided throughout buildings that have a Group R fire area where one of the following conditions exist:

The Group R fire area is located in a building more than two stories in height above grade.

The building contains more than four guest rooms, dwelling units, or combination thereof in a Group R occupancy.

This building includes a Group R-4 fire area.

Any new Group R fire area is located in a building with any other occupancy, excluding private garages.

For the purposes of this Section, portions of a building separated by one or more firewalls shall not be considered separate buildings.

**33.33 FROST PROTECTION OF LANDINGS AT DOORS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1008.1.5 of the IBC by adding a new Section 1008.1.5.1 as follows:

Section 1008.1.5.1 FROST PROTECTION. Exterior landings at doors shall be provided with frost protection.

**33.34 PROFILE.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1009.3.2 of the IBC by adding the following exception 3:

Section 1009.3.2 EXCEPTION 3. Solid risers are not required on exterior stairs of individual dwelling units in occupancies in Group R-2 and Group R-3.

**33.35 HANDRAILS OF R-2 AND R-3 INDIVIDUAL DWELLING UNITS .** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended in part by modifying Section 1009.10 of the IBC by deleting existing exception 5 and adding in lieu thereof the following new exception 5:

Section 1009.10 EXCEPTION 5: Changes in elevation of three risers or less serving individual units in Group R-2 and R-3 occupancies do not require handrails.

**33.36 CONTINUITY.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1009.11.4 of the IBC by adding the following exception 4:

Section 1009.11.4 EXCEPTION 4: Handrails within a dwelling unit or serving an individual dwelling unit may have offsets or interruptions of six inches or less in total length and shall be considered, for the purpose of this code, to be continuous.

**33.37 EMERGENCY ESCAPE AND RESCUE OPENINGS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by adding an exception to Section 1025.3 of the International Building Code and Section R310.1 of the International Residential Code as follows:

EXCEPTION: Egress windows required for remodel or finish of rooms in basements may have maximum sill height measured from an elevated landing not less than 36-inches wide, not less than 18-inches out from the exterior wall and not more than 24-inches in height. The landing shall be permanently affixed to the floor below and the wall under the window it serves.

Unobstructed access shall be maintained, both interior and exterior, at escape windows or doors for ready access of escape or rescue. When a basement/lower level (partially below grade) contains an area for a closet/wardrobe and/or is adjacent to a full or 3/4 bathroom, finished or not, this room will be considered to be a bedroom by Building Department interpretations. "Adjacent" for the purpose of definition for this interpretation shall mean: "That being on the same level or story."

For the purpose of egress in such rooms the following procedures are applicable. Provide a window/windows capable of meeting the height, width and sill heights as prescribed by code.

If said room is not intended to be used as a bedroom/sleeping room, the following alternate is acceptable. Provide an affidavit that has been recorded with the Linn County Recorder's Office to become a permanent part of the abstract for subject property listing, but not limited to the following items:

1. Property legal description.
2. Address
3. Purpose of finished room is not for bedroom/sleeping room purposes because of building code inadequacies.

Also, a copy of the recorded document will be attached to the building permit and become part of the Building Department permanent file.

**33.38 EXTERIOR WINDOWS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by deleting Sections R613 of the IRC and 1405.12 of the IBC.

**33.39 UNDER FLOOR SPACE.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1202 of the IBC by adding a new Section 1202.3.3 as follows:

Section 1202.3.3 FLOOR SURFACE CRAWL SPACE AND SUB-BASEMENTS. All crawl space or sub-basement floors shall be capped with a minimum of 1-1/2 inches of concrete over 6-mil vapor barrier. Said concrete mixture shall be a minimum of 1500-PSI strength.

**33.40 PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1403 of the IBC by Deleting Section 1403.6 as follows:

Section 1403.6 FLOOD RESISTANCE: Delete in it's entirety.

**33.41 WEATHER PROTECTION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1405.2 of the IBC by deleting the last sentence and replacing with the following:

Section 1405.2 WEATHER PROTECTION. The materials of the minimum nominal thickness specified in Table 1405.2 shall be acceptable as approved weather coverings when provided with an approved water-resistive barrier.

**33.42 VINYL SIDING.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1405.13.1 of the IBC by adding to the second sentence as follows:  
Section 1405.13.1 Siding shall be applied to conform with the weather-resistive barrier requirements in Section 1403, which shall include the installation of an approved water-resistive barrier.

**33.43 GROUND SNOW LOAD.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1608.2 of the IBC by adding the following to said Section:

The ground snow load for the City of Cedar Rapids is hereby established at 30 (thirty) PSF (pounds per square foot).

**33.44 FLOOD LOADS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1612 of the IBC by deleting this Section as follows:

Section 1612 FLOOD LOADS: Delete in its entirety.

**33.45 FROST PROTECTION.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 1805.2.1 of the IBC by adding the following to said Section and by also adding the following exception 4:

EXCEPTION: Detached (accessory) buildings accessory, 1,250 square feet or less in size need only have a grade beam a minimum of 12-inches wide by 6-inches thick around the outside perimeter, excluding the floor thickness.

**33.46 HAZARDOUS LOCATIONS.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by deleting exception #3 of Section 2406.3, Item #6 of the IBC and exception #4 of Section R308.4, Item #6 of the IRC and replacing them with a new exception as follows:

EXCEPTION: Glazing in walls that are not in the same plane as the door in the closed position.

**33.47 IRC – PARTS:** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by deleting the following parts of the IRC:

PART IV ENERGY CONSERVATION: Delete in its entirety.

PART V MECHANICAL: Delete in its entirety.

PART VI FUEL GAS: Delete in its entirety

PART VII PLUMBING: Delete in its entirety.

PART VIII ELECTRICAL: Delete in its entirety.

**33.48 IBC – CHAPTERS:** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by deleting the following chapters from the IBC:

CHAPTER 13 ENERGY EFFICIENCY: Delete in its entirety.

CHAPTER 27 ELECTRICAL: Delete in its entirety.

CHAPTER 28 MECHANICAL SYSTEMS: Delete in its entirety.

CHAPTER 29 PLUMBING SYSTEMS: Delete in its entirety.

**33.49 COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER CODES.** The Cedar Rapids Building Code is hereby amended by modifying Section 3401.3 of the IBC by deleting said Section and replacing with the following:

Section 3401.3 COMPLIANCE WITH OTHER CODES. Alterations, repairs, additions and changes of occupancy to existing structures shall comply with the provisions for alterations, repairs,

additions and changes of occupancy in the International Fire Code, International Property Maintenance Code and the International Residential Code."

SECTION 2. The various Sections, Sub-Sections, chapters or parts of this ordinance and of the International Building Code and International Residential Building Code hereby adopted are hereby declared to be severable, and in the event that any such part of these provisions shall be held invalid for any reason, the invalidity of such section, sub-section chapter or part shall not invalidate any other of the provisions of this ordinance or of the International Building Code and International Residential Building Code hereby adopted.

SECTION 3. Pursuant to published notice a public hearing has been duly conducted upon the date, time, and at the place fixed in said notice upon the adoption of this Building Code and the City Council of the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, hereby determines and finds that said proposed Building Code shall be and the same is hereby adopted as an ordinance of the City of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

SECTION 4. An official copy of the Cedar Rapids Building Code hereby adopted, including a certificate by the City Clerk as to its adoption and the effective date thereof, is on file in the office of the City Clerk in City Hall, and shall be kept there on file and copies shall be available for public inspection.

SECTION 5. It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, improve, remove, convert or demolish, equip, occupy, use 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, and each such person shall be deemed guilty of a separate offense for each and every day during which any violation of any of the provisions of this Code is committed, continued, or permitted, and upon conviction of any such violation, such person shall be punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or by imprisonment of not more than 30 days or by Municipal Infractions as prescribed by law.

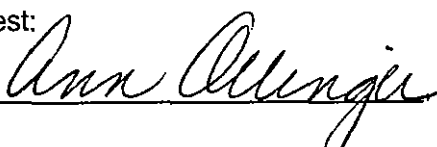
SECTION 6. The various sections, subsections, chapters or parts of the ordinance and of the International Building Code hereby adopted are hereby declared to be severable, and in the event that any such part of these provisions shall be held invalid for any reason, the invalidity of such section, subsection, chapter or part shall not invalidate any other of the provisions of this ordinance or of the International Building Code hereby adopted.

SECTION 7. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect, January 1, 2007, after its passage and publication as provided by law.

Introduced this 6th day of December, 2006.

Passed this 20th day of December, 2006.

 \_\_\_\_\_, Mayor

Attest:  
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