

Ordinance No. 671

An ordinance adopting the applicable codes associated with building and construction.

WHEREAS, the State of Washington's Building Code Council adopted, with amendments, the 2021 version of various codes used in regulating construction within the State of Washington;

WHEREAS, the state made these codes effective 15 March 2024 and no legal action resulted in a stay of that effective date;

WHEREAS, the City's adoption of these codes is necessary to be compliant with the state's new expected standards;

BASED THEREON, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORKS DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Amending FMC 15.05.020 – Codes adopted is hereby amended as follows with the strikeout text indicating text that will be deleted and the underlined text indicating new language to be inserted into this section:

15.05.020 Codes adopted.

- (1) The city of Forks hereby adopts the following codes, which shall be available for public inspection at the city building official's desk, as amended by the Washington State Building Code Council pursuant to RCW 19.27.074 for the purpose of establishing rules and regulations for the construction, alteration, removal, demolition, equipment, use and occupancy, location and maintenance of buildings and structures, including permits and penalties:
 - (a) The ~~2018~~ 2021 International Building Code (Ch. 51-50 WAC), ~~WSR 16-03-064~~ and amendments adopted now or in the future by the State Building Code Council;
 - (b) The ~~2018~~ 2021 International Residential Building Code (CH. 51-51 WAC), ~~WSR 16-03-025~~ and amendments adopted now or in the future by the State Building Code Council;
 - (c) The ~~2018~~ 2021 International Mechanical Code (Ch. 51-52 WAC), ~~WSR 16-01-148~~ as amended now or in the future by the State Building Code Council;
 - (d) The ~~2018~~ 2021 International Fire Code (Ch. 51-54A WAC), ~~WSR 16-03-055~~ as amended now or in the future by the State Building Code Council;
 - (e) The ~~2015~~ 2021 Uniform Plumbing Code (Ch. 51-56 WAC), ~~WSR 16-02-044~~ as amended now or in the future by the State Building Code Council;

(f) The 2021 Wildland-Urban Interface Code (Ch. 51-55 WAC), as amended now or in the future by the State;

(g) The 2021 Washington State Energy Code (Chs. 51-11C WAC (Commercial) and 51-11R WAC (Residential)) as amended now or in the future by the State Building Code Council;

and

National Electrical Code (NFPA 70) administered by the Department of Labor and Industries and as amended now or in the future by the State;

(h) ~~The 2015 2018 International Energy Conservation Code – Residential (Ch. 51-11R WAC); and, the 2015 2018 International Energy Conservation Code – Commercial (Ch. 51-11C WAC) as amended now or in the future.~~

(g) (h) The 1997 Edition of the Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, published by the International Conference of Building Officials, Whittier, California and discussed in further detail at Chapter 15.10 FMC.

(h) (i) The Washington State Historical Building Code or similar code as adopted by the State Office of Historic Preservation.

(2) Conflict Among Codes. In case of conflict among the codes enumerated in subsection (1) of this section, the first named codes shall govern over those following.

(3) Accessibility. The rules adopted by the Washington State Building Code Council establishing standards for making buildings and facilities accessible to and usable by the physically disabled or elderly persons as provided in Chapter 70.92 RCW et al. shall apply to all the codes adopted by the city of Forks.

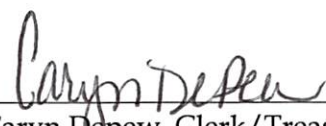
Section 2. Effective Date. This ordinance shall take effect on 1 May 2024.

Passed by the City Council on the 8th April 2024.



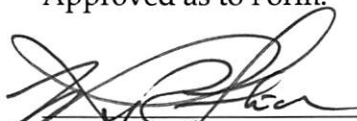
Tim Fletcher, Mayor

Authenticated and Attested to:



Caryn Depew, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved as to Form:



William R. Fleck, Attorney/Planner