

- B. ADOPTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE 2015 WITH AMENDMENTS. There is hereby adopted by the Town of Normal for the purpose of regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use of maintenance of building systems in residential buildings thereto, a building code known as the International Residential Code, 2015 Edition, published by the International Code Council, as amended thereto with specific additions, deletions, insertions, modifications, and amendments, as set forth in this Chapter which said Code as so amended is hereinafter referred to as the “International Residential Code.” The provisions of said Code are hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length and the provisions thereof as added, deleted, inserted, modified and amended by this Chapter shall be controlling in regard to all matters pertaining to the design, construction, quality of materials, erection, installation, alteration, repair, location, relocation, replacement, addition to, use of or maintenance of building systems in residential buildings thereto. Amendments to the International Residential Code. The International Residential Code, 2015, is amended as follows:
1. In Section 101.2 - Delete the exceptions and insert the phrase “in zero lot-line construction” before the words:

“townhouses not more than three stories above grade plan in height with a separate means of egress and their accessory ...”
 2. Delete Sections 102.4 inclusive of the exception, 102.4.1, and 102.4.2 and substitute the following:

The codes and standards referenced in this Code shall be considered part of the requirements of this Code to the prescribed extent of each such reference. Where differences occur between provisions of this Code and other adopted codes and standards, the more restrictive provisions shall apply.

3. Delete Section 103 – Department of Building Safety and insert in lieu therefore, the following:

“Section 103.0 – Department of Building Safety”

Section 103.1 – Building Inspection Department. The Building Inspection Department of the Town of Normal shall be the “Department of Building Safety” as that term is used in this Code.

Section 103.2 – Building Commissioner. The Building Commissioner of the Town of Normal shall be the “Building Official” as that term is used in this Code.

Section 103.3 – Restriction of Employees. The Building Official or employee connected with the Department of Building Inspection except one whose only connection is that of a member of the Board of Appeals established under the provision of SEC. 11.2-1 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Normal, Illinois, 1969, as amended, shall not be engaged in or directly or indirectly connected with the furnishing of labor, materials or appliances for the preparation of plans or the specifications therefore, unless he is the owner of the building, nor shall such officer or employee engage in any work which conflicts with his official duties or with the interests of the Department.

4. Section 104.6 – Right of Entry. Delete this entire section and substitute therefore the following: The Code Official or his designee is authorized to enter the structure or premises to inspect, subject to constitutional restrictions on unreasonable searches and seizures. If entry is refused or not obtained, the Code Official is authorized to seek a search warrant as authorized by law.
5. Section 105.2 – Work Exempt from Permit. In section Building 1, delete the phrase “200 square feet (18.8 m²) and substitute therefore 144 square feet”. In section Building 2, substitute ‘6 feet’ for ‘7 feet.’ Delete section Building 10.
6. Add at the beginning of Section 105.5 – Expiration as follows:

Every permit issued shall expire and become invalid 180 days after the issuance or a later date if a later date is indicated on the permit by the building official. A permittee holding an unexpired permit may apply for a

one-time ninety (90) day extension provided the permittee can show good and satisfactory reasons that the work cannot be completed within the initial one hundred eighty (180) day period. No additional fee is required for a one-time extension.

7. Section 105.8 – Responsibility. Add at the end of the Section the following:

Condition of Permits: A construction permit issued pursuant to the Residential Code does not permit a person to perform electrical, plumbing, or other mechanical work. All construction work performed in the Town of Normal shall be performed in accordance with all plans and specifications submitted to the Town of Normal for the issuance of a permit. It shall be unlawful for any person to perform construction in a manner not consistent with the permit issued. It shall be unlawful for any person to perform construction work for which a permit is required without a permit. It shall be unlawful for any person to perform construction work after a stop work order has been issued. All framing, mechanical, plumbing, and electrical work must be inspected before being covered. It is the responsibility of the permit holder to call for all inspections. No permit shall be assigned or transferred to any other person.

8. Add the following Section 105.10 – Additional Permit Requirements.

Section 105.10 – Miscellaneous Permit Requirements. No building permit shall be issued until the following conditions are met:

- a. Storm Water Storage. No person, firm, corporation or agency shall be issued a building permit under this Chapter unless and until all applicable requirements are met as set forth in Chapter 7, Division 31 of the Municipal Code, Town of Normal, 1969, as amended.
- b. No person, firm, corporation or agency shall be issued a building permit under this Chapter unless and until a Bloomington-Normal Water Reclamation District connection permit has been obtained for the proposed construction. This subsection shall not apply to building permits issued solely for the alteration, repair, shoring, or maintenance of existing buildings or structures.
- c. No person, firm, corporation, agency, partnership or other entity shall undertake or cause to be undertaken any type of alteration to the exterior of any property designated a historical landmark by the Town of Normal or any property located within an area designated as a historical district by the Town of Normal without first submitting plans and obtaining from the Town a building permit for such alteration. As used herein, the term alteration means any type of modification or repair including but not limited to maintenance,

shoring, repair work, alteration, additions, rejuvenations, rehabilitations, remodeling, or any other action which changes in any manner the existing physical appearance of such property, except for painting.

In addition to the general penalties set forth in this Chapter, any violation of the foregoing shall be subject to the following: (a) Equitable relief as provided by law; or (b) A fine in any amount no more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for each offense. A separate and distinct offense shall be regarded each day upon which said violation shall continue after knowledge or notification of the existence thereof to or by the violator.

9. SECTION 106.3.1 – Approval of Construction Documents. Delete this Section.
10. Amend Section 109.1.5 Other Inspections to include:

“In addition to the called inspections above, a site inspection prior to excavation, a pre-footing inspection prior to the placement of concrete and a lot grading inspection shall all be required inspections enforced by the Building Department.”
11. Delete Section 112 and substitute therefore, the following:

“Section 112 – Board of Appeals – All persons shall have the right to appeal any decision of the Building Official to the Building Board of Appeals of the Town of Normal in the manner provided by SEC. 11.2-5 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Normal, 1969, as amended, except no appeal may be taken after the Town of Normal has initiated legal or administrative proceedings seeking compliance with this Code or fines for violation of this Code.”
12. Delete Section 113.3 – Prosecution of Violation and substitute therefore:

In case of a violation of any provision of this Code, the Building Official may cause to be instituted the appropriate proceeding at law or in equity or with the Town’s Administrative Hearing Unit to obtain penalties or to restrain, correct or abate such violation, or to require the removal or termination of an unlawful occupancy of the structure. The Town may take action to abate any violation, and any costs incurred in abating such violations may be charged against the real estate upon which such abatement occurs and shall be a lien upon such property.
13. Delete the existing language of Section 113.4 – Violation Penalties and substitute in lieu therefore the following:

“Section 113.4 – Violation Penalties. Any person, firm or corporation violating any provision of this Code shall be subject to the penalty provisions provided in SEC. 11.3-5 of the Municipal Code of the Town of Normal, Illinois, 1969, as amended.”

14. Amend Table No. 301.2(1) Climatic and Geographic Design Criteria as follows:
 - a. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (20psf) under “Ground Snow Load”.
 - b. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (115 mph) under “Wind Design (Speed)”.
 - c. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (No) under “Wind Design” (Topographic effects).
 - d. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (No) under “Wind Design” (Special wind region).
 - e. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (No) under “Wind Design” (Wind-borne debris zone).
 - f. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (B) under “Seismic Design Category”.
 - g. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (Severe) under “Subject to Damage From” (Weathering).
 - h. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (40”) under “Subject to Damage From” (Frost Line Depth).
 - i. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (Moderate to Heavy) under “Subject to Damage From” (Termite).
 - j. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (-4 Degrees) under “Winter Design Temp”
 - k. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (Yes) under “Ice Barrier Underlayment Required”
 - l. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (Engineering Insurance Study) under “Flood Hazards.”
 - m. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (1500) under “Air Freezing Index.”

- n. Amend Table 301.2(1) by inserting (52 degrees) under “Mean Annual Temp.”
15. Delete the word “Townhouse” from Sections 302.2, 302.2.1, and 302.2.4, and insert “Zero Lot Line Unit”.
16. Amend Section 302.2 Townhouses to read:

“Section 302.2 Zero Lot Line Units. Each zero lot line unit shall be considered a separate building and shall be separated by 2-hour assembly from the foundation to roof underside. The assembly shall be continuous and shall not be interrupted by unit partitions. This assembly shall be a UL listed or USG approved.”
17. Amend Section 302.6 Dwelling/garage fire separation by adding the following sentence:

With a detached garage where the separation between the garage and another structure is less than 10’, the entire garage shall be protected by ½” gypsum board applied to the inside of the garage.
18. Section 313 – Automatic Fire Sprinkler Systems. In Section 313.2 change the effective date to upon adoption by the City of Bloomington, Illinois. In Section 313.2.1 delete the phrase “Section P2904 or”. (Revised 11/7/11 by Ord. No. 5402)
19. Amend Section 401.3 – Drainage to read:

“Lot grading shall comply with the approved verified subdivision grading plan as submitted by the lot developer. In addition, sump pump discharge lines shall be connected to the storm water drainage system where provided.”
20. Amend Section 403.1.6 Foundation Anchorage. Delete exceptions 2 and 3.
21. Delete the following Chapters in their entirety.
 - a. Chapter 11 – Energy Efficiency.
 - b. Chapter 25 – Plumbing Administration
 - c. Chapter 26 – General Plumbing Requirements.
 - d. Chapter 27 – Plumbing Fixtures.
 - e. Chapter 28 – Water Heaters.

- f. Chapter 29 – Water Supply and Distribution.
- g. Chapter 30 – Sanitary Drainage.
- h. Chapter 31 – Vents.
- i. Chapter 32 – Traps.
- j. Chapter 33 – Storm Drainage
- k. Chapter 34 – General Requirements.
- l. Chapter 35 – Electrical Definitions.
- m. Chapter 36 – Services.
- n. Chapter 37 – Branch Circuit and Feeder Requirements.
- o. Chapter 38 – Wiring Methods.
- p. Chapter 39 – Power and Lighting Distribution.
- q. Chapter 40 – Devices and Luminaires.
- r. Chapter 41 – Appliance Installation.
- s. Chapter 42 – Swimming pools.
- t. Chapter 43 – Class 2 Remote Control Signaling and Power-Limited Circuits.

22. Delete the following Appendices:

- a. Appendix A. Sizing and Capacities of Gas Piping
- b. Appendix B. Sizing of Venting Systems Serving Appliances Equipped with Draft Hoods, Category I Appliances, and Appliances Listed for Use with Type B Vents.
- c. Appendix C. Exit Terminals of Mechanical Draft and Direct-Vent Venting Systems.
- d. Appendix D. Recommended Procedure for Safety Inspection of an Existing Appliance Installation.
- e. Appendix E. Manufactured Housing Used as Dwellings.

- f. Appendix F. Radon Control Methods.
- g. Appendix G. Piping Standards for Various Applications.
- h. Appendix H. Patio Covers.
- i. Appendix I. Private Sewage Disposal.
- j. Appendix L. Permit Fees.
- k. Appendix M. Home Day Care – R-3 Occupancy.
- l. Appendix N. Venting Methods.
- m. Appendix P. Sizing of Water Piping System.