

ORDINANCE 2013-56

TO BE ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLE 12, CHAPTER 4 OF THE FRANKLIN MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADOPT THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE, 2012 EDITION."

WHEREAS, for the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, comfort, convenience, and general welfare of the people of Franklin, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Franklin is authorized to prescribe regulations and standards for the design, construction, and repair to buildings and structures within the City; and

WHEREAS, in its legislative judgment the Board of Mayor and Aldermen has found that building regulations and standards must be dynamic and modified from time to time to reflect changes in model codes, construction materials, recognized construction methods, and safety standards necessary to preserve and promote the private and public interest; and

WHEREAS, in order to be consistent with the majority of the surrounding communities, who have adopted or will adopt the 2012 International Code Council series of codes and allow builders, designers, and developers to reference one set of code books in the Middle Tennessee area, Building and Neighborhood Services proposes this business friendly initiative; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated Title 68, Chapter 120, requires that for cities that enforce their own building construction safety standards, the building codes adopted by reference must be current within seven years of the date of the latest editions; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen believes it is in the best interest of the City of Franklin to adopt the International Fuel Gas Code, 2012 Edition.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF FRANKLIN BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMAN, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. That Title 12, Chapter 4, Section 12-401 of the City of Franklin Municipal Code is hereby amended to delete the following text noted with a ~~striketrough~~; to add the following text noted in **bold**; and is approved to read as follows:

Sec. 12-401. Gas code adopted.

- (1) For the purpose of promoting the public health, safety, convenience and general welfare, there is hereby adopted, as the gas code for the City of Franklin, the International Fuel Gas Code, ~~2009~~ **2012** edition, as prepared by the International Code Council. One copy of the gas code shall be kept on file in the office of the recorder for the use and inspection of the public.
- (2) Pursuant to authority granted by Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502(c), the Building and Neighborhood Services Director shall adopt administrative regulations to incorporate subsequent amendments to the International Fuel Gas Code, ~~2009~~ **2012** edition, as published by the International Code Council. These amendments shall be identified by the Building and Neighborhood Services Director as to date and source and shall take effect as provided in

Tennessee Code Annotated, § 6-54-502 unless disapproved by resolution of the board of mayor and aldermen. Administrative regulations adopting amendments to the International Fuel Gas Code, ~~2009~~ 2012 edition will be placed on file when they are published by the Building and Neighborhood Services Director, and at least 15 days before their effective date.

SECTION II. That Title 12, Chapter 4, Section 12-402 of the City of Franklin Municipal Code is hereby deleted in its entirety with the subsequent sections renumbered accordingly.

SECTION III. That Title 12, Chapter 4, Section 12-403 of the City of Franklin Municipal Code is hereby deleted in its entirety with the subsequent sections renumbered accordingly.

SECTION IV. Severability. In the event that any section, clause, provision, or part of this ordinance shall be found and determined to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, all valid parts that are severable remain in full force and effect. If any part of this ordinance is found to be invalid in any one or more of its several applications, all valid applications that are severable from the invalid applications shall remain in effect.

SECTION V. Repeal and Savings Clause. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed; provided, however, that nothing herein contained shall affect any rights, actions or causes of action which shall have accrued to the City of Franklin prior to the effective date of this ordinance.

SECTION VI: BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF FRANKLIN, Tennessee, that this ordinance shall be in full force and in effect for any for any permit application received by the Building and Neighborhood Services Department on or after **March 1, 2014**, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Franklin, Tennessee requiring it.

ATTEST: CITY OF FRANKLIN, TENNESSEE:

By: _____
Eric S. Stuckey
City Administrator/Recorder

By: _____
Dr. Ken Moore
Mayor of Franklin

PASSED FIRST READING December 10, 2013

PASSED SECOND READING _____

Approved as to form by:

Kristen L. Corn
Kristen L. Corn, Staff Attorney