

ORDINANCE NO. ORD-07-08

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE 2006 ICC ELECTRICAL CODE –
ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, FIRST PRINTING, WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND**

RECITALS

It has been recommended to the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland (the “Board”) that it adopt the *2006 ICC Electrical Code – Administrative Provisions, First Printing*, which provides safeguards for the consumer, general public, owners and occupants of buildings and structures in Washington County, Maryland, if implemented, and provides for minimum regulations for controlling the design, construction, installation, quality of materials, location, operation, and maintenance or use of electrical systems and equipment.

A public hearing was held on November 13, 2007, following due notice and advertisement of the text of the *2006 ICC Electrical Code – Administrative Provisions, First Printing*, with local amendments for Washington County.

Public comment was received, reviewed and considered concerning the adoption of the *2006 ICC Electrical Code – Administrative Provisions, First Printing*, with local amendments for Washington County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED that the *2006 ICC Electrical Code – Administrative Provisions, First Printing*, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference, is enacted with the following insertions, deletions and amendments:

Sections 101.1.1 – 101.1.9	added	Section 1003.1.1	added
Section 202	amended	Section 1101.1	amended
Section 301.1	amended	Chapter 12	deleted
Section 404.2	amended	Appendices A-D	deleted
Section 1003.1	amended		

(1) **CHAPTER 1 – SCOPE**, is amended as follows:

(a) **SECTION 101, GENERAL**, is amended as follows:

Sections 101.1.1 through 101.1.9 are added to read as follows:

101.1.1 International Residential Code. Any reference to the *International Residential Code* shall mean the *2006 International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings, First Printing*, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 18, 2007, effective March 1, 2008, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

101.1.2 ICC Electrical Code. Any reference to the *ICC Electrical Code* shall mean the *2005 National Electrical Code*, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on July 26, 2005, effective September 1, 2005, as may be amended or restated from time to time, and the *2006 ICC Electrical Code – Administrative Provisions*, with local amendments for Washington County, as adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 18, 2007, effective March 1, 2008.

101.1.3 International Fire Code. Any reference to the *International Fire Code* shall mean the *Maryland State Fire Prevention Code (COMAR 29.06.01)*, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

101.1.4 International Plumbing Code. Any reference to the *International Plumbing Code* shall mean the *2006 International Plumbing Code, Second Printing*, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 18, 2007, effective March 1, 2008, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

101.1.5 International Building Code. Any reference to the *International Building Code* shall mean the *2006 International Building Code, First Printing*, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 18, 2007, effective March 1, 2008, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

101.1.6 International Fuel Gas Code. Any reference to the *International Fuel Gas Code* shall mean the *2006 International Fuel Gas Code, Second Printing*, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 18, 2007, effective March 1, 2008, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

101.1.7 International Private Sewage Disposal Code. Any reference to the *International Private Sewage Disposal Code* shall mean the *2006 International Plumbing Code, Second Printing*, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland, adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 18, 2007, effective March 1, 2008, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

101.1.8 International Property Maintenance Code. Any reference to the *International Property Maintenance Code* shall mean the *Washington County Livability Code* adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on November 1, 1988, effective January 1, 1989, Revision 1 adopted and effective May 9, 2006, and as may be further amended or restated from time to time.

101.1.9 International Mechanical Code. Any reference to the *International Mechanical Code* shall mean the *2006 International Mechanical Code*, First Printing, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on December 18, 2007, effective March 1, 2008, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

(2) **CHAPTER 2, DEFINITIONS, is amended as follows:**

(a) **SECTION 202, GENERAL DEFINITIONS, is amended as follows:**

The following definition is amended and shall read as follows:

CODE OFFICIAL. The Director of the Washington County Department of Permits and Inspections shall be known as the Code Official and is hereby authorized and directed to administer and enforce all provisions of this code.

(3) **CHAPTER 3, ORGANIZATION AND ENFORCEMENT, is amended as follows:**

(a) **SECTION 301, DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL INSPECTION, is amended as follows:**

Section 301.1 is amended and shall read as follows:

301.1 Creation of enforcement agency. The Director of the Washington County Department of Permits and Inspections shall be known as the Code Official and is hereby authorized and directed to administer and enforce all provisions of this code.

SECTION 103, DEPARTMENT OF MECHANICAL INSPECTIONS, is amended as follows:

(4) **CHAPTER 4, PERMITS AND FEES, is amended as follows:**

(a) **SECTION 404, FEES, is amended as follows:**

Section 404.2 is amended and shall read as follows:

Section 404.2 Schedule of permit fees. The fees for all electrical work shall be paid as required in accordance with the schedule established by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland.

(5) **CHAPTER 10, VIOLATIONS, is amended as follows:**

(a) **SECTION 1003, PENALTIES, is amended as follows:**

Section 1003.1 is amended and shall read as follows:

1003.1 Criminal Penalties. Any person, firm, corporation or entity who violates a provision of this code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who erects, constructs, alters or repairs work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the Code Official, or of a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be

guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) or more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00), or by imprisonment not exceeding one (1) year, or both fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.

Section 1003.1.1 is added and shall read as follows:

1003.1.1 Civil Penalties. Any person, firm, corporation or entity who violates a provision of this code or fails to comply with any of the requirements thereof or who erects, constructs, alters, or repairs work in violation of the approved construction documents or directive of the Code Official, or of a permit or certificate issued under the provisions of this code, shall be guilty of a civil offense which shall be prosecuted in accordance with Article 23A, § 3(b) of the Annotated Code of Maryland. The fine for a civil offense shall be established by resolution by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland. Each day that a violation continues after due notice has been served shall be deemed a separate offense.

(6) **CHAPTER 11, MEANS OF APPEAL, is deleted in its entirety and the following shall be inserted in its place:**

CHAPTER 11, MEANS OF APPEAL

SECTION 1101, GENERAL

1101.1 Appeals. Any appeal of orders, decisions or determinations made by the Code Official relative to the application and interpretation of this code shall be made to the Board of Examiners and Supervisors established by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland pursuant to Title 8 of the Code of the Public Local Laws of Washington County, Maryland, 2007 Edition, as may be amended or restated from time to time, and pursuant to any rules or regulations adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland.


(7) **CHAPTER 12, ELECTRICAL PROVISIONS, is hereby deleted in its entirety.**

NOTE: The subject matter of this chapter is not within the scope of this code. For the applicable electrical provisions, refer to the *2005 National Electrical Code*, with local amendments for Washington County, Maryland adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Maryland on July 26, 2005, effective September 1, 2005, as may be amended or restated from time to time.

(8) **APPENDICES A-D are deleted in their entirety.**

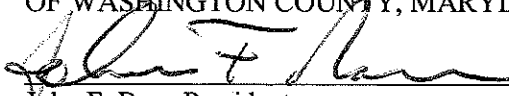
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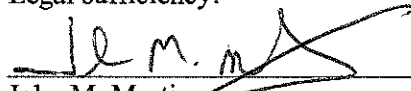
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