Board of County Commissioners Approves Proposed Codes

On Tuesday, December 15th, 2015, the Washington County Commissioners voted to adopt the 2015 Maryland Building Performance Standards, the 2015 International Existing Building Code, trade codes, local amendments thereto, and related ordinance and resolution. A revision was made to Section 324 – Solar Energy Systems after public hearing and comment (click here for revision) The implementation date for these codes will be March 1, 2016.

The codes with local amendments being adopted are:

- An Ordinance to Adopt the 2015 Maryland Building Performance Standards as Adopted by the State of Maryland (COMAR 05.02.07), with Modifications, and Subject to Local Amendments for Washington County, Maryland
- An Ordinance to Adopt and Enact the International Existing Building Code, 2015 Edition
- An Ordinance to Repeal the 2011 National Electrical Code with Local Amendments and Enact the 2014 Edition of the National Electrical Code
- An Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance Entitled “An Ordinance to Adopt the 2006 ICC Electrical Code – Administrative Provisions, First Printing, With Local Amendments for Washington County, Maryland”
- An Ordinance to Adopt Fee Schedules Providing for the Collection of Fees for All Building/Trade Work Performed in Washington County, Maryland
- A Resolution Adopting Fee Schedule for Civil Citations and Repealing Resolution No. RS-2012-10.

Copies of the proposed local amendments and resolutions will be made available as soon as the necessary signatures have been obtained. They can be viewed and downloaded from the Departmental website, http://www.washco-md.net/permits/permits.shtm.

Please feel free to contact the Permitting Department, 240-313-2460, or visit the website http://www.washco-md.net/permits/permits/shtm, for more information regarding plan review and permitting services.

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