



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, May 13, 2014

Council Session

Item F-1

#9486 – Consideration of Amending Chapter 18 of the Grand Island City Code Relative to the Mechanical Codes

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Council Agenda Memo

From: Craig A. Lewis, Building Department Director

Meeting: May 13, 2014

Subject: Amending Chapters 18 & 26 of the Grand Island City Code, to Adopt the 2012 Editions of the Uniform Plumbing & Mechanical Codes

Item #'s: F-1 & F-2

Presenter(s): Craig Lewis, Building Department Director

Background

The City of Grand Island has adopted and enforced plumbing and mechanical regulations for several years. Currently the 2009 edition of the Uniform Plumbing and Mechanical Codes are adopted to provide minimum standards for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare in regard to plumbing and mechanical installations and facilities. This proposal is to amend the City Code to adopt the latest edition of the Uniform Plumbing and Uniform Mechanical Code, that being the 2012 editions.

Discussion

The City generally adopts published model codes on a three to six year cycle as model codes are published and revised every three years. This edition and adoption is intended to keep Grand Island current with the latest model codes.

These modifications have been before the Grand Island Plumbing Board and the Grand Island Mechanical Board and received their approval and endorsement.

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Approve the ordinance.
2. Disapprove or /Deny the ordinance.
3. Modify the ordinance to meet the wishes of the Council
4. Table the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the ordinance to adopt the 2012 Uniform Plumbing Code and the 2012 Uniform Mechanical Code and modify Chapters 18 and 26 of the City Code.

Sample Motion

Move to approve ordinance #9486 to amend Chapter 18 and Ordinance #9487 to amend Chapter 26 of the City Code.

ORDINANCE NO. 9486

An ordinance to revise Chapter 18 of the Grand Island City Code to adopt the 2012 Uniform Mechanical Code; and to repeal any ordinance or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and to provide for publication and the effective date of this ordinance, said effective date is June 15, 2014.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 18, Sections 5 and 6 of the Grand Island City Code shall be modified to read as follows:

18-5. Uniform Mechanical Code Adopted

The Uniform Mechanical Code, 2012~~09~~ Edition, published by the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, is hereby adopted, together with Appendices as set forth hereafter, and any amendments thereto as may be made from time to time, except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified, or amended by ordinance and set forth in this chapter of the Grand Island City Code. One copy of the Uniform Mechanical Code, 2012~~09~~ Edition, and all supplements or amendments thereto shall be filed in the office of the city clerk as provided by law.

The following appendices shall be adopted along with the Uniform Mechanical Code adopted by this section:

- 1. Appendix A- Uniform Mechanical Code Standard 6-2 Standard for Metal Ducts-
- ~~2. Appendix C- Installation and Testing of Oil (Liquid) Fuel-Fired Equipment.~~

Amended by Ordinance No. 9378, effective 05-15-2012

§18-6. UMC - Certain Sections not Adopted

It is especially provided that the following chapters, sections, and tables of the Uniform Mechanical Code are not adopted or approved, and the same shall be of no force and effect:

- 1. Table 1-1 Mechanical Permit Fees
- 2. Chapter 11- Refrigeration.
- 3. Chapter 14- Process Piping.
- 4. Chapter 16- Stationary Fuel Cell Power Plants.
- 5. Appendix B- Procedures to be followed to place gas equipment in operation.
- ~~6. Appendix C— Installation and Testing of oil (liquid) fuel fired equipment.~~
- ~~7. Appendix D- Unit Conversion Tables.~~

Approved as to Form	☐ _____
May 6, 2014	☐ City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. 9486 (Cont.)

§18-7. UMC - Public Copy

Not less than one copy of the Uniform Mechanical Code adopted pursuant to 18-5 shall be kept on file by the city clerk for inspection by and use of the public.

§18-8. UMC - Amendment of Section 101.0

Section 101.1 of the Uniform Mechanical Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

101.1. Title.

This document shall be known as the "Uniform Mechanical Code" together with Appendices and any amendments thereto, and shall be cited as such, and will be referred to when used herein or in Chapter 18 of the Grand Island City Code as "this Code".

§18-9. UMC - Amendment of Subsection 112.1

Subsection 112.1 of the Uniform Mechanical Code is hereby amended to include the following:

112.1. Permits Required.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to make any installation, alteration or repair any mechanical system regulated by this Code except as permitted in Subsections 112.2 of this section, or cause the same to be done without first obtaining a permit to do such work from the Grand Island Building Department.

(A) A permit is required for the installation or replacement of all fuel burning heating equipment, and water heaters together with all chimneys, vents and their connectors.

(B) A permit is required for the installation, repair, or alteration of all fuel gas piping in or in connection with any building or structure or within the property lines of any premises, other than service pipe.

A permit is required for the installation or replacement of all warm-air furnaces and heating systems including all chimneys, vents, and their connectors.

(C) No Commercial Hoods and Kitchen Ventilation equipment shall be installed without a permit.

(D) A separate permit shall be obtained for each building or structure.

No person shall allow any other person to do or cause to be done any work under a permit secured by a permittee except persons in his or her employ.

(E) A permit is required for the repair, replacement, or installation of a gas piping.

(F) No permit shall be issued to any person to do or cause to be done any work regulated by this Code, except to a person holding a valid unexpired and unrevoked mechanical license as required by this chapter, except when and as otherwise hereinafter provided in this section.

(G) Any permit by this code may be issued to do any work regulated by this code in a single family dwelling used exclusively for living purposes, including the usual accessory buildings and quarters in connection with such buildings in the event that such person is the bona fide owner of any such dwelling and accessory buildings and quarters, and that the same are currently occupied by said owner, provided, that said owner shall personally purchase all material and shall personally perform all labor in connection therein. This, however, shall exclude all gas piping and venting of fuel combustion appliances.

§18-10. UMC - Amendment of Subsection 115.2

Subsection 115.2 of the Uniform Mechanical Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

115.2 Permit Fees.

The fee for each permit identified in this chapter shall be set forth in accordance with the City of Grand Island Fee Schedule.

§18-11. Reserved

Deleted by Ordinance No. 9378, effective 05-15-2012

ORDINANCE NO. 9486 (Cont.)

SECTION 2. Any ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be, and hereby are, repealed.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be in force and take effect from and after its passage and publication, on June 15, 2014.

Enacted: May 13, 2014.

Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk