



# City of Grand Island

Tuesday, April 24, 2012

Council Session

## Item F2

**#9379 - Consideration of Amending Chapter 26 of the Grand Island City Code to Adopt the 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code**

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# Council Agenda Memo

**From:** Craig A. Lewis, Building Department Director

**Meeting:** April 24, 2012

**Subject:** Amending Chapter 26 of the Grand Island City Code to Adopt the 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code.

**Item #'s:** F-2

**Presenter(s):** Craig Lewis, Building Department Director

## Background

The Grand Island City has adopted and enforced plumbing regulations for several decades. Currently the 2006 edition of the Uniform Plumbing Code is adopted to provide minimum standards for the protection of the public health, safety, and welfare in regard to plumbing installations and facilities. This proposal is to amend the City code to adopt the latest edition of the Uniform Plumbing code, that being the 2009 edition.

## 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 plumbing code.

These modifications have been before the Grand Island Plumbing 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 2009 Uniform Plumbing Code and modify chapter 26 of the City Code.

## **Sample Motion**

Move to approve Ordinance #9379 to amend chapter 26 of the City Code.

ORDINANCE NO. 9379

An ordinance to revise Chapter 26 of the Grand Island City Code to bring it into conformity with the 2009 UPC Code Changes; 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 May 15, 2012.

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

SECTION 1. That Chapter 26, Sections 1, 2, 16, and 43 of the Grand Island City Code shall be modified to read as follows:

**§26-1. Uniform Plumbing Code Adopted**

The Uniform Plumbing Code, 2009~~6~~ 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 Plumbing Code, ~~2006-2009~~ 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 used with the Uniform Plumbing Code adopted by this section:

1. Appendix A – Recommended Rules for Sizing the Water Supply System.
2. Appendix B – Explanatory Notes on Combination Waste and Vent Systems.
3. Appendix D – Sizing Stormwater Drainage Systems.
4. Appendix L – Alternate Plumbing Systems.

Amended by Ordinance No. 9024, effective 03-01-2006  
Amended by Ordinance No. 9118, effective 05-15-2007

**§26-2. UPC - Certain Sections not Adopted**

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

1. Table 1-1 - Plumbing Permit Fees.
2. Chapter 13 – Health Care Facilities and Medical Gas and Vacuum Systems.
3. ~~Gray Water Systems~~ Chapter 16 Nonpotable Water Reuse Systems
4. Appendix E – Manufacture/Mobile Home Parks and Recreational Vehicle Parks.
5. Appendix F – ~~F~~irefighter Breathing Air Replenishment Systems
6. Appendix I – Installation Standards
7. Appendix K – Private Sewage Disposal Systems.

Amended by Ordinance No. 9024, effective 03-01-2006  
Amended by Ordinance No. 9118, effective 05-15-2007

**§26-16. UPC - ~~Amendment of Subsection 1216.4~~ Waste Discharge Requirements**

~~Subsection 1216.4 of the Uniform Plumbing Code is hereby amended to read as follows:~~

~~The size of the house supply piping, beginning at the gas meter and continuing to the first supply piping outlet shall not be less than one (1) inch.~~

ORDINANCE NO. 9379 (Cont.)

Subsection 1014.3.2.1 is hereby amended to read as follows.

Waste discharge in establishments from fixtures and equipment which contain grease, including but not limited to, scullery sinks, pot and pan sinks (3-compartment and 4-compartment sinks), dishwashers, soup kettles, and floor drains located in areas where grease-containing materials exist, shall be permitted to be drained into the sanitary waste through the interceptor when approved by the Authority Having Jurisdiction.

**§26-43. Examinations; Fee; Exemptions**

Any person desiring to be licensed as a master plumber or as a journeyman plumber pursuant to this chapter shall make written application for an examination to the Board. Examination fees shall be in accordance with the City of Grand Island Fee Schedule.

Examination fees shall accompany such application and shall be accounted for and turned over to the City Treasurer. Examination fees are not returned but shall be forfeited in the event the applicant fails the examination.

Any person validly registered or licensed as a master plumber or journeyman plumber or equivalent capacity by the ~~City of Hastings or the~~ City of Kearney shall be exempt from taking the foregoing examination, and provided the applicant is otherwise qualified pursuant to this code, shall be issued an equivalent license upon application and payment of fees.

Amended by Ordinance No. 9118, effective 05-15-2007

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 May 15, 2012.

Enacted: April 24, 2012.

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Jay Vavricek, Mayor

Attest:

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RaNae Edwards, City Clerk