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**CITY OF EL PASO, TEXAS
AGENDA ITEM
DEPARTMENT HEAD'S SUMMARY FORM**



DEPARTMENT: ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION
MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

AGENDA DATE: INTRODUCTION: OCT 4, 2011
PUBLIC HEARING: OCT 18, 2011

CONTACT PERSON NAME AND PHONE NUMBER: R. ALAN
SHUBERT, (915) 541-4428

DISTRICT(S) AFFECTED: ALL

SUBJECT:

An ordinance amending Title 18 (Building and Construction), Chapter 18.28 (Existing Building Code), of the El Paso City Code, by adding Section 18.28.060 (Plumbing Repairs) to help prevent pipes from freezing during severe weather, the penalty being as provided in Section 18.02.107 (Violation and Penalties) of the El Paso City Code.

BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:

Discussion and action on development of code amendments to the International Plumbing Code (IPC), International Residential Code (IRC) and International Existing Building Code (IEBC) to further protect plumbing systems from freezing temperatures.

PRIOR COUNCIL ACTION:

N/A

AMOUNT AND SOURCE OF FUNDING:

N/A

BOARD / COMMISSION ACTION:

LRC – Sept 15, 2011 approved to take to Council for action

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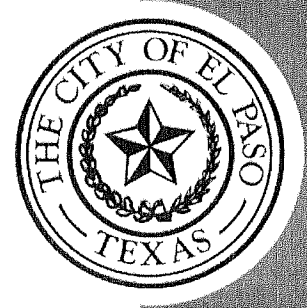
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*****REQUIRED AUTHORIZATION*****

DEPARTMENT HEAD:

[Signature]
(If Department Head Summary Form is initiated by Purchasing,
client department should sign also)

Information copy to appropriate Deputy City Manager

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 18 (BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION), CHAPTER 18.28 (EXISTING BUILDING CODE), OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE, BY ADDING SECTION 18.28.060 (PLUMBING REPAIRS) TO HELP PREVENT PIPES FROM FREEZING DURING SEVERE WEATHER, THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 18.02.107 (VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES) OF THE EL PASO CITY CODE.

WHEREAS, the 2009 edition of the International Existing Building Code has been published; and

WHEREAS, on September 21, 2010, the City Council for the City of El Paso through Ordinance No. 017420, adopted the 2009 International Existing Building Code together with the local amendments appropriate for the City of El Paso; and

WHEREAS, the City Council for the City of El Paso desires to further amend the 2009 International Plumbing Code by adding additional local amendments appropriate for the City of El Paso.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

Section 1. That Title 18 (Building and Construction), Chapter 18.28 (Existing Building Code), Section 18.28.060 (Section 509.1.1 Plumbing repairs) of the El Paso City Code, be added to read as follows:

18.28.060 Section 509.1.1 Plumbing repairs, added.

International Existing Building Code, 2009 Edition, Section 509.1.1 Plumbing repairs, is hereby added to read as follows:

509.1.1 Plumbing repairs.

Plumbing repairs include:

- a. Repairs to service entrance materials shall be made with cross linked polyethylene, also known as PEX, or approved equal, or
- b. Installation shall be within an approved, heated valve protective enclosure, also known as "hot box".
- c. Repairs to exterior plumbing will be required to adhere to the currently adopted Plumbing Code.

Section 2. The effective date of this ordinance shall be the date signed by the Mayor for the City of El Paso. This ordinance shall be applicable to all permit applications received on or after that date.

Section 3. Except as herein provided, Title 18 (Building and Construction) shall remain in full force and effect.

PASSED AND APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 2011.

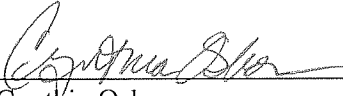
THE CITY OF EL PASO

ATTEST:

John F. Cook
Mayor


Richarda Duffy Momsen
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Cynthia Osborn
Assistant City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:



R. Alan Shubert, P.E.
City Engineer