



MECHANICAL PLUMBING & SOLAR BOARD RECOMMENDATION 2016-03-01

3b and 3c is the agenda item number

Date: March 1, 2016

Subject: Board recommends adoption of the "Uniform" Code for Plumbing and Mechanical Codes for Residential and Commercial construction in Austin.

Recommendation(s)

3b) The Board recommends the City Council approve the adoption of the 2015 Uniform Plumbing Code for "residential" plumbing, rather than adopting the Plumbing Code section from the 2015 International Residential Code (IRC) when the IRC is adopted residential construction.

Motioned By: Vice Chair Stephen Cox

Seconded By: Board Member Joseph Cooper

3c) The Board recommends the City Council approve the adoption of the 2015 Uniform Plumbing Code and 2015 Uniform Mechanical Code for "commercial" plumbing and mechanical construction, rather than adopting the 2015 International Plumbing and Mechanical Code's.

Motioned By: Board Member Jerry Garza

Seconded By: Board Member Joseph Bowie

Description of Recommendation to Council

The Board supports the continued adoption of the Uniform Code, which has been adopted in Austin for decades. Most structures are installed under the Uniform Code. Staff has chosen to adopt the 2015 International Residential Code (IRC) including the plumbing chapter in the IRC for all residential construction.

Rationale:

The Board consists of stakeholders and business owners in the community and prefer the prescriptive standards in the Uniform Code Book.

Vote 3b

For: Board Chair Robert Thornton, Vice Chair Stephen Cox, Board Members Joseph Bowie, Joseph Cooper, David Dixon, Jerry Garza, William Harris, Michael Lumbley.

Against: N/A

Abstain: N/A

Absent: N/A

Vote 3c

For: Board Chair Robert Thornton, Vice Chair Stephen Cox, Board Members Joseph Bowie, Joseph Cooper, David Dixon, Jerry Garza, William Harris, Michael Lumbley.

Against: N/A

Abstain: N/A

Absent: N/A

Attest:


Julie Kirby, Board Liaison