

Annual Internal Review

This report covers the time period of 7/1/2022 to 6/30/2023

Mechanical and Plumbing Board

(Official Name of Board or Commission)

The Board/Commission mission statement (per the City Code) is:

City Code § 2-1-161 Mechanical & Plumbing Board.

The board shall hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions, or determinations made by the building official relating to the application and interpretation of Chapter 25-12, Article 5 (*Mechanical Code*), Chapter 25-12 and Article 6 (*Plumbing Code*).

1. Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.

During the 2022-2023 year, the board met on June 27, 2023

- Approved the Board's calendar for 2023.
- Discussion on adoption of ASHRAE 188 that describes the timing of disinfection and flushing prior to use in the 2024 UPC for prevention of Legionella.
- Discussion on adoption of 2024 Plumbing and Mechanical Codes and reduction of local ordinance language with the goal of utilizing more published code language and less local ordinance language.
- Interpretation of Cubic Feet per Minute for exhaust fans.

2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

This board does comply with the mission statement and reviews appeals and determinations related to the Plumbing Code, the Mechanical Code and the Energy Code and the applicable Criteria Manuals, which is what helps make Austin one of the most

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livable cities. The Board understands the importance of their recommendations to council and has been successful in fulfilling this obligation.

3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

- Continue to assist Mayor and Council with plumbing and mechanical recommendations to keep the Citizens of Austin Healthy and Safe and ensure the codes adopted give them a long lasting plumbing and mechanical systems in homes and businesses with minimal maintenance requirements.
- Continue to be a resource to Mayor and Council and the Citizens of Austin to help make it the most livable City in America.