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Subject: Upcoming Review of Proposed Code Updates

The reason for this e-mail is to make sure that our utilities are aware of changes being proposed to our building related codes as some of these items may directly affect your departments. As you may recall from our discussions during our development review meetings or in the update emails, the City is in the process of proposing various updates/additions to our building related codes. These include the City's building, fire, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, fuel gas codes, liquefied petroleum gas codes and energy conservation codes. In doing this, we have reviewed the recommendations of the Central Iowa Code Consortium, who has been focused on local government collaboration with communities in the Des Moines metro area. Additionally, we are also looking at recommending adoption of property maintenance codes. More information on the Central Iowa Code Consortium, including their recommendations, can be found here: <https://www.capitalcrossroadsvision.com/lgc/cicc/>.

As part of this process, over the next week or so we are going to be kicking off a public review portion of the code updates and additions that will go through January 27. The website that we will ask the public to review to provide feedback on the updates/additions can be found here: <https://www.indianolaiowa.gov/841/Code-Updates>. As mentioned on that site, all current and proposed code books are on file and may be viewed in the Community Development Department.

As part of this process, and similar to what we did last year, we will be hosting a Contractors/Developers breakfast on Thursday, January 16 at 7:00 AM at the Activity Center, and you are all invited. After that, our goal is to present the proposed Code updates/additions to the City Council at its Study Session on January 21 (Tuesday due to MLK Holiday). If we continue to keep on the proposed schedule from there, Council would review this with three (3) readings, and would have their final reading on March 2, and we would propose an effective date of March 30 for the new codes.

If you could please review the proposed updates and provide any feedback you have, it would be appreciated. If you have any questions on these items, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thanks!

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