

**ORDINANCE NO. 1131-07-17**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, ADOPTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE; 2015 INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE; ADOPTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE AND PROVIDING FOR THE ADOPTION OF LOCAL AMENDMENTS THERETO; ADOPTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE; ADOPTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL PLUMBING CODE; ADOPTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL MECHANICAL CODE; ADOPTING THE 2015 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE; ADOPTING THE 2017 NFPA NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE; ADOPTING THE PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE; ADOPTING THE 2015 INTERNATIONAL PRIVATE SEWAGE DISPOSAL CODE; ADOPTING THE 2015 NFPA 101 LIFE SAFETY CODE; ADOPTING THE 2016 NFPA 72 NATIONAL FIRE ALARM AND SIGNALING CODE; PROVIDING FOR PERMITS AND INSPECTION; PROVIDING FOR REGISTRATION AND LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR PLUMBING, MECHANICAL, AND ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY PROVISION; PROVIDING THAT THIS ORDINANCE IS CUMULATIVE OF ALL ORDINANCES; AMENDING THE CITY ORDINANCE AND THE CODE OF ORDINANCES; REPEALING ALL PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING SEVERABILITY AND OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSES; AND PUBLICATION.**

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Hondo wishes to update the rules and regulations it enforces for all construction activity that is to occur in the corporate city limits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Hondo wishes to repeal all previous conflicting ordinances regarding which International Codes and References it is adopting; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of Hondo wishes to implement the various Codes for enforcement within the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the public health, safety and welfare, require the adoption and enforcement of codes governing the issuance of permits for inspection and completion of construction, plumbing, electrical and buildings within the City of Hondo, Texas; and

**WHEREAS**, the public health, safety and welfare will be served by updating certain codes heretofore adopted by the City;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS:**

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Chapter 3, "Building Regulations" Article 3.04 "Technical and Construction Code and Standards" of the Municipal Code of Ordinances of the City of Hondo is amended so that it shall read as follows:

**Sec. 3.04.051 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Building Code and the 2015 International Existing Building Code are hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 3.04.101 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Residential Code is hereby adopted, except as provided for in section 3.04.102 herein, by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 3.04.102 Amendments**

(a) International Residential Code R313.1 entitled, "Townhouse automatic fire sprinkler systems" is amended to read: An automatic residential fire sprinkler system may be installed in townhouses.

(b) International Residential Code R313.2 entitled, "One- and two-family dwellings automatic fire systems" is amended to read: An automatic residential fire sprinkler system may be installed in one- and two-family dwellings.

**Sec. 3.04.151 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 3.04.251 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Plumbing Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 3.04.451 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Mechanical Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 3.04.551 Adopted**

The 2017 edition of the National Electrical Code of the National Fire Protection Association is hereby adopted. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 3.04.651 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Property Maintenance Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 3.04.701 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Private Sewage Disposal Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Chapter 5, “Fire Prevention and Protection” Articles 5.03 “Fire Code” and 5.04 “Life Safety Code” of the Municipal Code of Ordinances of the City of Hondo is amended so that it shall read as follows:

**Sec. 5.03.001 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the International Fire Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**Sec. 5.04.001 Adopted**

The 2015 edition of the National Fire Protection Association 101 Life Safety Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Chapter 5, “Fire Prevention and Protection” shall add new Article 5.05 “National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code” of the Municipal Code of Ordinances of the City of Hondo is amended so that it shall read as follows:

**ARTICLE 5.05 NATIONAL FIRE ALARM AND SIGNALING CODE**

**Sec. 5.05.001 Adopted**

The 2016 edition of the National Fire Protection National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code is hereby adopted by reference as though copied fully in this section. One (1) copy of the code shall at all times remain in the office of code compliance and be open to inspection.

**SECTION 4. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.**

It shall be unlawful and an offense hereof for any person or entity to violate or fail to comply with any provision of this Ordinance (and including, without limitation, any portion or provision of the Codes adopted hereby and listed in Section 1), and any person or entity violating or failing to comply with any provision of this Ordinance shall be fined, upon conviction, in an amount not to exceed \$500.00 for each such offense, except, however, where a different penalty has been established by State law for such offense, the penalty shall be that fixed by State law. For any such offense which is a violation of any provision of law that governs fire safety, zoning, or public health and sanitation, including dumping of refuse, the penalty shall be a fine not to exceed \$2,000.00 for each such offense, and a separate offense shall be deemed committed each day during or on which a violation or failure to comply occurs or continues.

**SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY**

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or illegal, such decision shall not effect the validity of the remaining sections of this ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared void.



**SECTION 6. SAVINGS CLAUSE**

All ordinances or parts of ordinances, in conflict herewith are to the extent of such conflict hereby repealed. The balance of such ordinance is hereby saved from repeal.

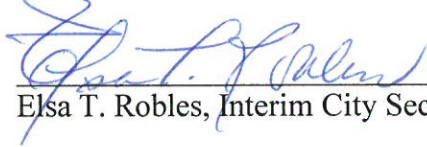
**SECTION 7. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This ordinance shall become effective upon the adoption of this ordinance.

**PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HONDO, TEXAS, THIS 10<sup>th</sup> DAY OF JULY 2017.**



JAMES W. DANNER, SR., MAYOR

ATTEST:



Elsa T. Robles, Interim City Secretary

