



# 2021 FIRE CODE ADOPTION PROCESS

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# REQUEST DEFINED

- THE CITY OF BILLINGS ADOPTS AND ENFORCES THE INTERNATIONAL CODES (I-CODES)
- ALL I-CODE ARE CURRENTLY ADOPTED VIA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AND SIGNED BY THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR

## EXCEPT

- THE FIRE CODE IS ADOPTED VIA CITY ORDINANCE PENDING THE APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL

# CURRENT INTERNATIONAL CODES ADOPTED

ADOPTED VIA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER #150 ON SEPTEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2022, THE CITY OF BILLINGS IS CURRENTLY UTILIZING THE **2021 I-CODE** EDITIONS OF:

- INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE (IBC)
- INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE (IRC)
- MECHANICAL CODE
- FUEL GAS CODE
- SWIMMING POOL AND SPA CODE
- PLUMBING CODE
- ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE
- EXISTING BUILDING CODE

# CURRENT FIRE CODE ADOPTED

ADOPTED VIA CITY ORDINANCE ON DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2014, THE CITY OF BILLINGS IS CURRENTLY UTILIZING THE **2012 FIRE CODE**

# CONCERNS DEFINED

CROSS-REFERENCING CODE CYCLES CREATES TIME-CONSUMING COMPLICATIONS FOR FIRE PROTECTION SPECIALISTS, CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTORS, BUILDERS, PLAN REVIEWERS, AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF THESE CODES, AS EACH NEW CYCLE CREATES NEW REQUIREMENTS

## **FOR EXAMPLE:**

- FOOD TRUCKS HAVE DIFFERENT REQUIREMENTS IN BILLINGS THAN THEY CURRENT DO IN OTHER CITIES OR AREAS IN THE STATE
- FIRE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS ARE DIFFERENT IN 2021 IBC COMPARED TO 2012 IFC

**I AM REQUESTING THE FIRE CODE ADOPTION PROCESS BE CHANGED FROM CITY ORDINANCE TO ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER SO THAT THEY CAN ALL BE ADOPTED AT THE SAME TIME.**