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## LARAMIE COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Laramie County Board of Commissioners

**FROM:** Dan Peters, Building official Laramie County

**DATE:** February 18, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Notice of Intent to adopt the 2024 International Fire Code.

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#### Executive Summary

Laramie County has been the issuing authority for building permits since the County adopted the International Building Codes in 2003. From 2003 to 2008 the County contracted with the City of Cheyenne to provide permitting and inspection services. In 2008 Laramie County initiated its own Building Division and began issuing and managing all building permits within the unincorporated boundaries of Laramie County. The State of Wyoming, under State Statute§ 35- 9-121, has delegated authority to Laramie County to "enforce and interpret local or state fire, building, existing building and electrical safety standards which meet the requirements" of § 35-9-121.

The State of Wyoming Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety adopted the updated 2024 editions of the International Building Codes on July 1, 2024. Wyoming Statute§ 35-9-121(a)(ii) requires that municipalities or counties that have been granted local enforcement authority by the State of Wyoming Department of Fire Prevention and Electrical Safety shall within six (6) months adopt or maintain standards by ordinance or resolution that at least meet the adopted statewide standards. At this time, the Laramie County Building Department desires to adopt and enforce the 2024 International Fire Code.

Adoption, amendment, or repeal of any regulation must occur under the rule making requirements of Wyoming State Statute§ 16-3-103. A 45-day notice period and opportunity for public input is required prior to any adoption of rules.

The attached resolution shall serve as Laramie County Board of County Commissioners giving public notice of Laramie County's intent to adopt the 2024 International Fire Code, effective April 15, 2025.

**Proposed Motion**

**I move to approve the resolution to provide the notice of intent, as required under Wyoming State Statute § 16-3-103, to adopt the 2024 International Fire Code, and set a public hearing date of April 15, 2025, to consider amendments and adoption of said code.**

RESOLUTION # \_\_\_\_\_

**RESOLUTION GIVING PUBLIC NOTICE OF  
LARAMIE COUNTY'S INTENT TO ADOPT THE  
2024 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE**

**WHEREAS**, Wyoming State Statutes § 16-3-103; §18-5-201 to 18-5-208; §18-5-301 to 18-5-315 authorize Laramie County, in promoting the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the county, to regulate the use of land through zoning in unincorporated Laramie County; and

**WHEREAS**, WYO. STAT. ANN. § 35-9-121, requires for counties that have been granted local enforcement authority, that failure to adopt within six months following the adoption of new standards by the State Fire Marshall, will result in reversion of local enforcement authority to the State Fire Marshall's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, Laramie County desired to retain local control of enforcement in the issuance of building permits within unincorporated Laramie County and adopt the 2024 International Fire Code on April 15, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, WYO. STAT. ANN. § 16-3-103 (2017), requires 45 days public notice and a reasonable opportunity for public comment before Laramie County may adopt, amend, or repeal rules and regulations;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING**, that notice is hereby given to the public that Laramie County intends to adopt the 2024 Edition of the International Fire Code. All interested persons may submit written comments to the Laramie County Clerk, 309 West 20th Street, P.O. Box 608, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82003, no later than 12:00 p.m. on April 4, 2025; that there shall be a regularly scheduled Laramie County Planning Commissioner's meeting on April 10, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. and a regularly scheduled Laramie County Commissioner's meeting on April 15, 2025 at 3:30 p.m. Both meetings will be held in the Laramie County Commissioners meeting room on the third floor of the Historic County Courthouse, 310 West 19th Street, Cheyenne, Wyoming; and that this notice shall be published once in the Wyoming Tribune-Eagle as soon as practicably possible.

**PRESENTED, READ AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

LARAMIE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Gunnar Malm, Chairman

ATTEST:

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Debra K. Lee, Laramie County Clerk

Reviewed and approved as to form:

  
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Laramie County Attorney's Office