



LARAMIE COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Laramie County Board of Commissioners

FROM: Daniel Peters, Chief Building Official

DATE: October 7, 2025

TITLE: NOTICE OF INTENT to amend the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code Section R105.2 **work exempt from permit.**

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, the County initiated its own Building Division and began issuing and managing all building permits within the unincorporated boundary of the 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 standards or electrical safety standards which meet the requirements of § 35-9-121.

The purpose of this amendment is to change the current square foot exemption from 200 square feet to 400 square feet.

Per feedback from the open house held on August 20, 2025, the recommended changes will exempt shipping containers, sheds, and smaller carports from building permits.

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 amendment of rules.

The attached resolution shall serve as the public notice of Laramie County’s intent to amend the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code Section R105.2 **work exempt from permit**. Building: 1. To read “Other than storm shelters, one-story detached accessory structures, provided that the floor area does not exceed 400 square feet.

PROPOSED MOTION

I move to approve the resolution to provide the notice of intent, as required under Wyoming State Statute § 16-3-103, to amend the 2024 International Residential Code section 105.2, and set a public hearing date of December 2, 2025, to consider amendments of said code.

RESOLUTION # _____

**RESOLUTION GIVING PUBLIC NOTICE OF
LARAMIE COUNTY'S INTENT TO AMEND THE
2024 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE, SECTION R105.2**

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 adopted the 2024 International Residential Code on January 7, 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 amend the 2024 Edition of the International Residential Code Section R105.2 **work exempt from permit Building:1. to read** *“Other than storm shelters, one-story detached accessory structures, provided that the floor area does not exceed 400 square feet.”* All interested persons may submit written comments to the Laramie County Clerk, 309 West 20th Street, P.O. Box 608, Cheyenne, WY 82003, no later than 12:00 p.m. on November 24, 2025; that there shall be a public hearing at a regularly scheduled Laramie County Planning Commissioner's meeting on November 13, 2025, and a regularly scheduled Laramie County Commissioner's meeting on December 2, 2025. Both meetings will be held at 3:30 p.m. 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

Gunnar Malm, Chairman

ATTEST:

Debra K. Lee, Laramie County Clerk

Resolution reviewed and approved as to form:

Laramie County Attorney's Office