Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development)

Prepared by: Department of Legislative Reference Date: February 1, 2017

Referred to: JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS Committee

Also referred for recommendation and report to municipal agencies listed on reverse.

CITY COUNCIL 17- 0017

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning

Building, Fire, and Related Codes - International Residential Code - Corrections

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By adding

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ORDINANCE 7.008 Council Bill 17-0017

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Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2017

Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee

Committee Report: Favorable Council action: Adopted

Read second time: February 27, 2017

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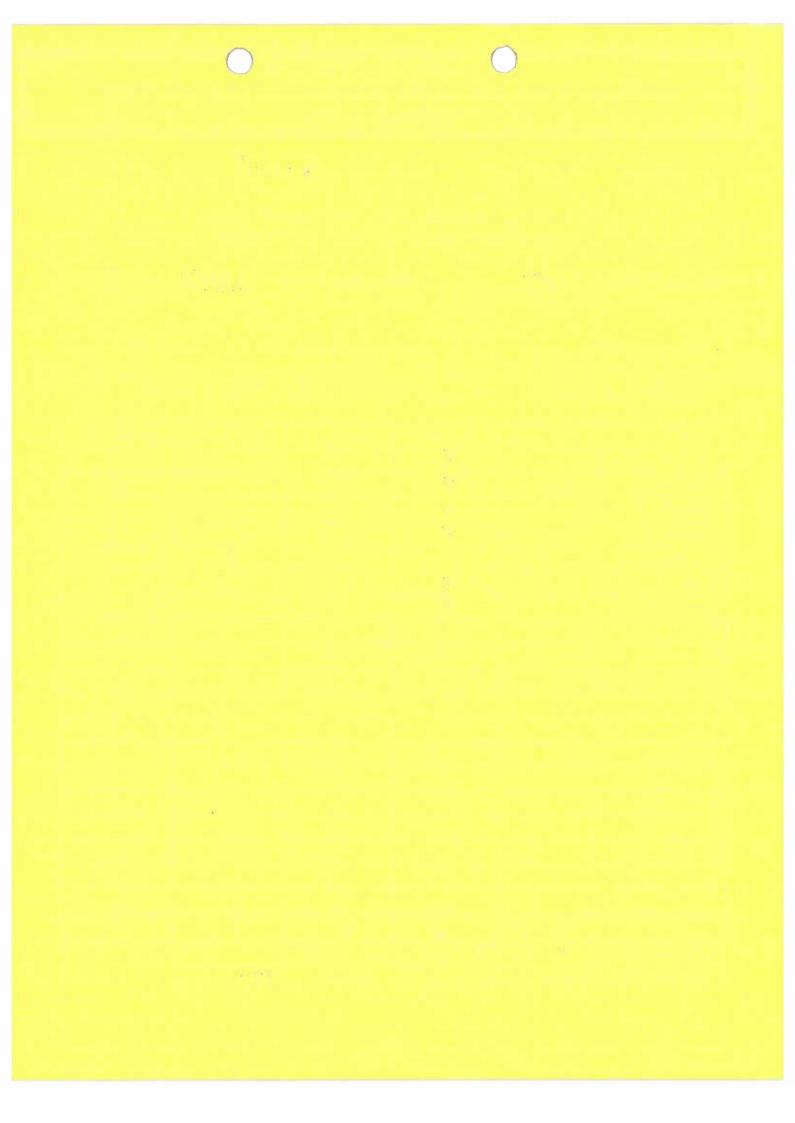
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BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE VOTING RECORD

| BILL#: <u>CC-17-00</u> | 17 DAT | E: <u>2</u> - | 21-17 | |
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| BILL TITLE: Building, Fire, And Related Codes – International Residential Code - Corrections | | | | |
| MOTION BY: SCOTT SECONDED BY: CLARKE | | | | |
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HEARING NOTES

Bill: 17-0017

| Building, Fi | re, And Related Codes - International Residential Code - Corrections |
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| | ary and Legislative Investigations ilmember Eric Costello |
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Major Speakers

(This is not an attendance record.)

- Ms. Sharon Duboin, Housing and Community Development
- Mr. Franc Udenta, Housing and Community Development

Major Issues Discussed

- 1. Chairman Costello introduced the proceedings and asked the agencies in attendance whether they stand by their reports. Each agency reported in the affirmative.
- 2. Ms. Sharon Duboin discussed the purpose of the Bill. She stated that the building code must be updated from time to time according to international standards. Ms. Duboin added that the current revision creates two changes affecting solar panels and certain rights-of-way.
- 3. Councilwoman Clarke asked what the meaning of photovoltaic systems is, and was told that it is a reference to solar panels. She then asked what the specific regulation would be as it pertains to solar panels. Mr. Franc Udenta informed the Councilwoman that it relates to fire safety, and requires a three foot right-of-way along two edges of a given roof for first responders.
- 4. Councilman Scott asked whether non-paved alleys, or "paper alleys," would be included in the regulations governing drainage. Mr. Udenta informed him that they likely would be because they are an area into which water drains and they are a "right-of-way" as described in the Bill.

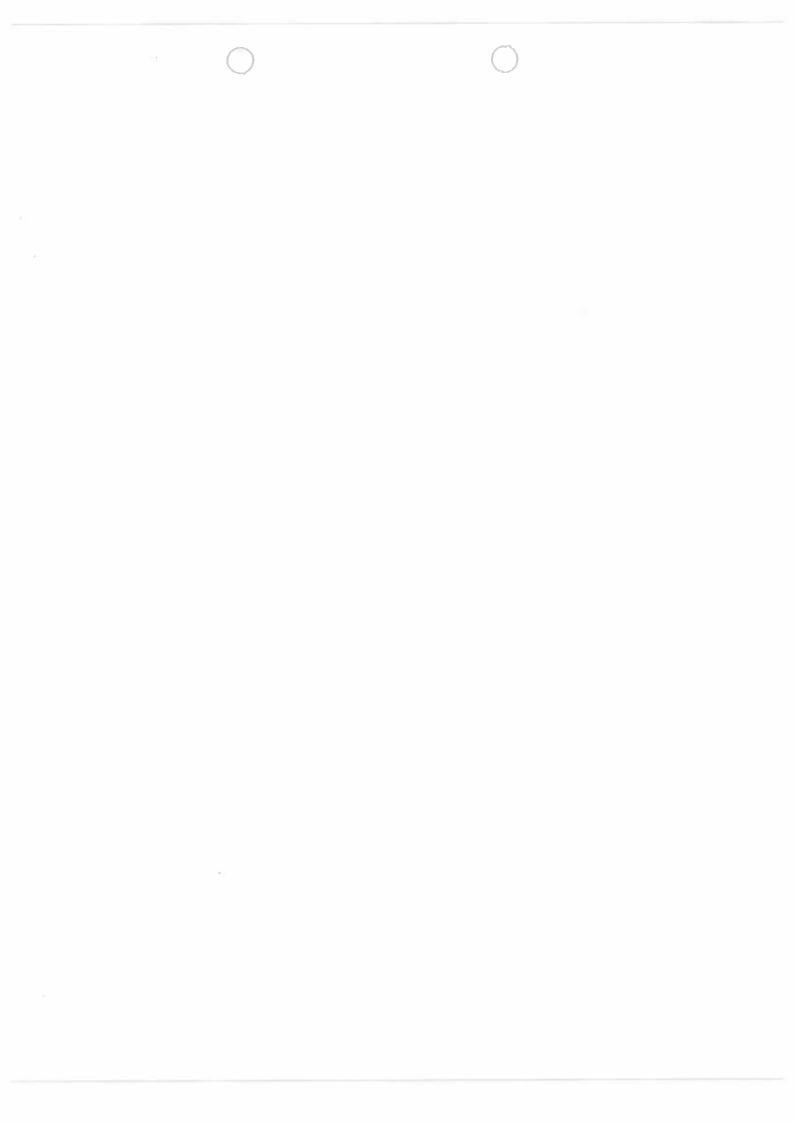
| Was further study requested? If yes, describe. Committee Vote: E. Costello: Yea M. Clarke: Yea J. Bullock: Yea L. Pinkett: Yea | Further Study | | | | | |
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| J. Bullock:Yea L. Pinkett:Yea | | | | | | |
| L. Pinkett:Yea | | | | | | |
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| E. Reisinger:Absent | | | | | | |
| B. Scott:Yea | | | | | | |
| R. Stokes: | | | | | | |

Date: February 22, 2017

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BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL JUDICIARY AND LEGISLATIVE INVESTIGATIONS COMMITTEE

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On behalf of the Citizens of Baltimore City, the mission of the Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee is to investigate and study the continuing operations, efficiency, and functions of Baltimore City government in accordance with the laws of Baltimore City, the State of Maryland, and the United States.

As a result of its investigations and studies, the Committee will recommend and oversee reforms to improve the operations of Baltimore City's government through legislative, administrative, and/or budgetary processes.

The Honorable Eric T. Costello Chairman

PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, February 21, 2017
10:05 AM
CLARENCE "DU" BURNS COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Council Bill 17-0017
Building, Fire, and Related Codes International Residential Code - Corrections

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ANALYSIS

Current Law

Council Bill 17-0017 amends the current building code, specifically City Code, Building, Fire, and Related Codes, § 8-102 (FC § 605.11.1.2).

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Council Bill 17-0017 revises the City's International Fire Code and International Residential Code with respect to solar photovoltaic systems, better known as solar energy panels. Specifically, it adopts new changes to the International Residential Code by the International Code Council, and repeals an unintentional exception for Group R-3 buildings regarding regulations that govern the use of solar panels. The Bill also amends the International Residential Code to improve consistency between the regulations concerning the driveways, paved surfaces, parking areas, and/or surface drainage of one- and two- family dwellings, and other residential units.

The Department of Law has approved the Bill for form and sufficiency. The Department of Housing and Community Development and the Department of Public Works offered favorable reports for 17-0014. The Department of Transportation also offered a favorable report, and noted that the language of the bill "clarifies the need for a permit from [DOT] when creating a driveway entrance on a public right-of-way."

Additional Information

Fiscal Note: Not Available

information Source(s): Department of Housing and Community Development; Department of

Law; Department of Transportation; Department of Public Works

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Agency Reports:

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 - o Favorable
- Department of Housing and Community Development
 - o Favorable
- Department of Transportation
 - o Favorable
- Department of Public Works
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CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

101 City Hall Baltimore, Maryland 21202

February 16, 2017

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 17-0017 - Building, Fire, and Related Codes - International Residential Code - Corrections

Dear President and City Council Members:

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Sincerely,

Victor K. Tervala Chief Solicitor

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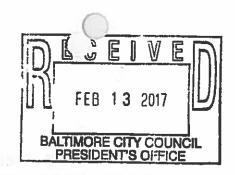


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MICHAEL BRAVERMAN Acting Executive Director, HABC

Acting Commissioner, HCD



MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Acting Commissioner

Date: February 8, 2017

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The Department of Housing and Community Development encourages the passage of City Council Bill 17-0017.

MB:sd

cc: Ms. Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office of Government Relations Mr. Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office of Government Relations

| | NAME & TITLE | Frank J. Murphy, Acting Director | CITY of | |
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| R | AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS | Department of Transportation (DOT) 417 East Fayette Street, Room 527 | BALTIMORE | |
| () \1 | SUBJECT | City Council Bill 17-0017 | мемо | CHT |

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Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

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Frank J. Murphy Acting Director

FJM/PAF

Cc: Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office

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| T O ⊠ | NAME & TITLE Rudolph S. Chow, P.E., Director | | CITY of BALTIMORE | (6) PA |
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| | AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS | Department of Public Works 600 Abel Wolman Municipal Building | | A CLUT |
| | SUBJECT | CITY COUNCIL BILL 17-0017 | MEMO | |
| DATE: February 1 | | | DATE: February 13, 2017 | |

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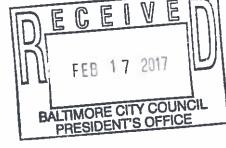
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SUBJECT

Rudolph S. Chow, P.E., Director

Department of Public Works 600 Abel Wolman Municipal Building CITY of BALTIMOI

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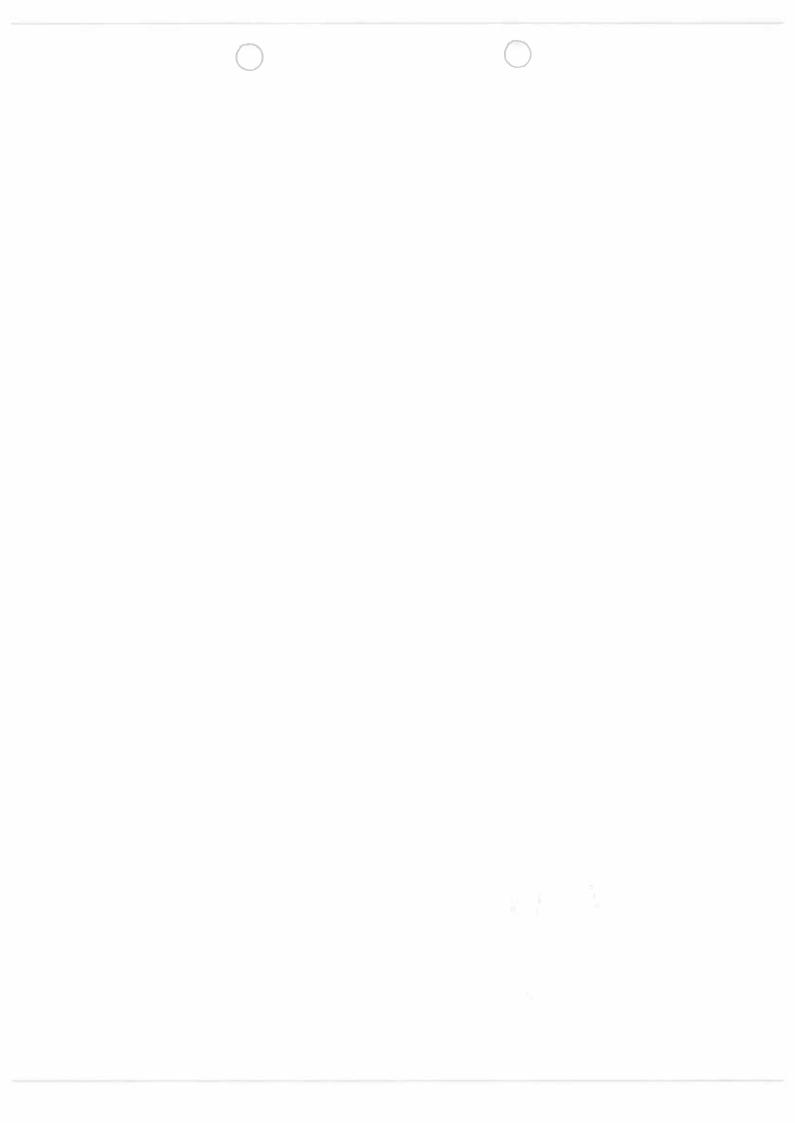
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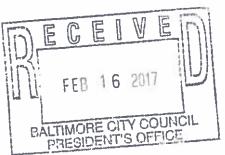
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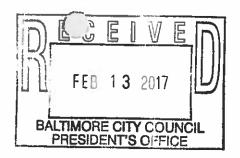






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CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 17-0017 (First Reader)

Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development)

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2017

Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee
REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Transportation, Department of Public Works

A BILL ENTITLED

| 1 | AN ORDINANCE concerning |
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| 2 | Building, Fire, and Related Codes - International Residential Code - Corrections |
| 3 | FOR the purpose of expressly continuing the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for |
| 4 5 | all 1- and 2-family dwellings; and expressly reinstating the application of certain regulations governing driveways and other paved surfaces for all 1- and 2-family dwellings. |
| 6 | By repealing and reordaining, with amendments |
| 7 | Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes |
| 8 | Section 8-102 (FC § 605.11.1.2) |
| 9 | Baltimore City Revised Code |
| 10 | (2015 Edition) |
| 11 | By adding |
| 12 | Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes |
| 13 | Section 10-102 (RC § 327) |
| 14 | Baltimore City Revised Code |
| 15 | (2015 Edition) |
| 16 | SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That th |
| 17 | Laws of Baltimore City read as follows: |
| 18 | Baltimore City Revised Code |
| 19 | Article – Building, Fire, and Related Codes |
| 20 | Part VIII. International Fire Code |
| 21 | § 8-102. City modifications. |
| 22 | The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as |
| 23 | follows: |

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| 3 | SECTION 605 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, WIRING AND HAZARDS |
| 4 | 605.1 TO 605.10 {AS IN IFC} |
| 5 | 605.11 SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SYSTEMS. {AS IN IFC} |
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| 3 | 327.1 DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES. ALL DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES LOCATED ON A PUBLIC RIGHT- |
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| 4 | OF-WAY MUST BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES, REGULATIONS, AND |
| 5 | PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. |
| 6 | 327.2 SURFACE PAVING. PARKING PADS, DRIVEWAYS, AND PRIVATE ROADS MUST BE PAVED |
| 7 | WITH ASPHALT, BRICK, CONCRETE, MACADAM, OR STONE BLOCK. PERMEABLE PAVING |
| 8 | SYSTEMS MAY BE UTILIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE |
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| 9 | DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. ALL PAVING MUST BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THE DESIGN |
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| 1 | 327.3 PARKING AREAS. THE SIZE, LAYOUT, AND ARRANGEMENT OF PARKING AREAS MUST COMPLY WITH: |
| 3 | 1. THE BALTIMORE CITY ZONING CODE, AND |
| 4 | 2. THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION. |
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| 6 | PROPERLY CONVEYED TO PAVED ALLEYS, PAVED STREETS, OR OTHER APPROVED WATER |
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| 20 | DRIVEWAY WITH A DEPRESSED CURB, OR |
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| 36 | Ordinance. |
| 37 | SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day |
| 38 | after the date it is enacted. |



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Catherine E. Pugh Mayor



Room 250, City Hall Baltimore, MD 21202

January 31, 2017

TO:

Avery Aisenstark, Director, Department of Legislative Reference

FROM:

Angela C. Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison to the City Council

SUBJECT:

Bill Introduction for the Administration:

An Ordinance Concerning:

Building, Fire, and Related Codes - International Residential

Code - Corrections

Please prepare the attached for introduction at the City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, February 6, 2017 This bill is introduced at the request of the Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development). Please return legislation to this office when completed.

If you have any questions regarding this legislation, please contact Sharon Daboin at 410.361.9015.

Thank you

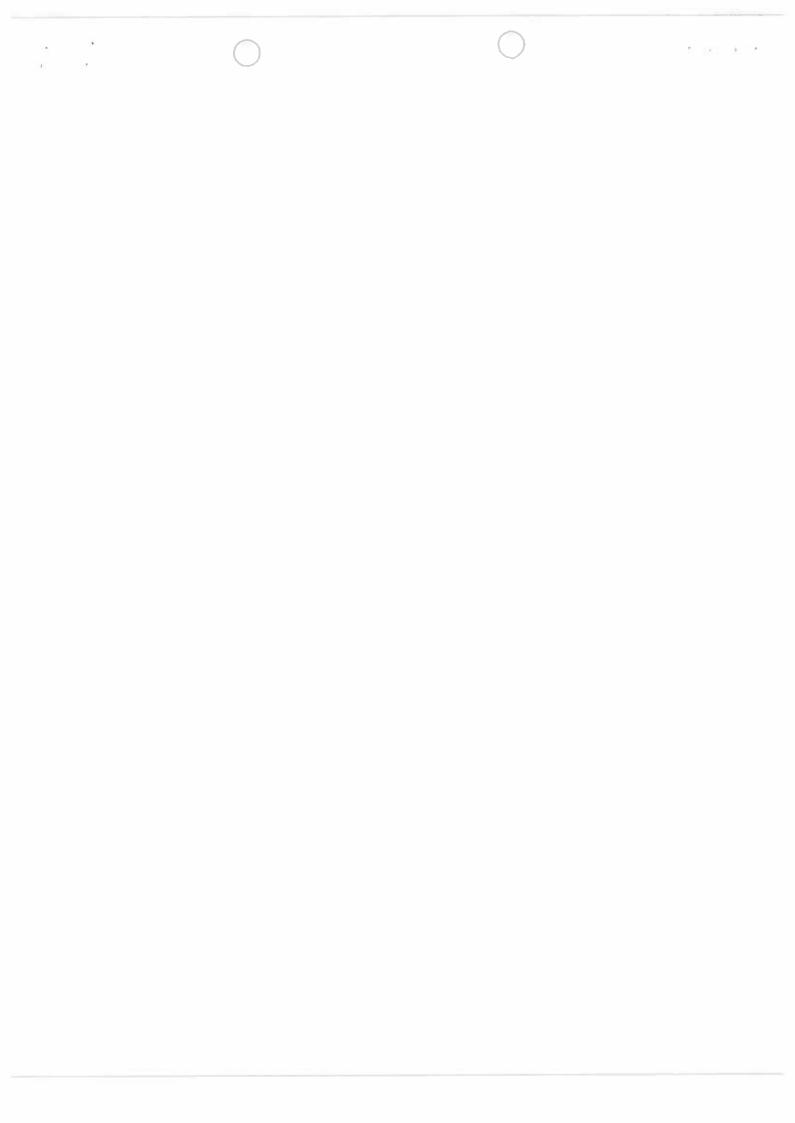
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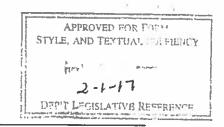
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INTRODUCTORY*

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Baltimore City Revised Code

Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes

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THE OFFICIAL COPY CONSIDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL IS THE FIRST READER COPY.

Chapter 6. Building Services and Systems

[Sections 605 to 608 {As in IFC}]

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Chapter 3. Building Planning

SECTION 327 DRIVEWAYS AND OTHER PAVED SURFACES

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- 1. THE BALTIMORE CITY ZONING CODE, AND
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| AGENCY NAME & Department of Transportation (DOT) ADDRESS 417 East Fayette Street, Room 527 BALTI | MORE |
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TO The Honorable President and
Members of the City Council
c/o Natawna Austin
Room 400 City Hall

February 16, 2017

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 17-0017 for the purpose of expressly continuing the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for all 1- and 2-family dwellings; and expressly reinstating the application of certain regulations governing driveways and other paved surfaces for all 1- and 2-family dwellings.

As drafted this bill would modify two sections of the City's 2015 Edition of the Building, Fire and Related Codes (BFR). The first change would be to accommodate recent changes to the International Code Council (ICC) governing solar photovoltaic power systems that need to be incorporated into the local code. The second change is to add provisions in the local code that guide the development of parking lots, driveway and other paved surfaces.

Recently, it was discovered that the local building codes provisions for Parking Lots, Driveways, and Other Paved Surfaces, applicable to 1- and 2-family dwellings, was mistakenly omitted. This bill corrects that oversight by expressly incorporating those relevant portions into the appropriate sections of the BFR codes. The new language clarifies the need for a permit from the Department of Transportation (DOT) when creating a driveway entrance on a public right-of-way.

DOT supports this bill.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment.

Respectfully,

Frank J. Murphy Acting Director

FJM/PAF

Cc:

Karen Stokes, Mayor's Office Kyron Banks, Mayor's Office







| 5 | NAME & TITLE | Rudolph S. Chow, P.E., Director |
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| RO | AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS | Department of Public Works 600 Abel Wolman Municipal Building |
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CITY of BALTIMORE

DATE:

MEMO

February 13, 2017



TO

The Honorable President and Members
of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin Room 400 – City Hall

I am herein reporting on City Council Bill 17-0017 introduced by the Council President at the request of the Administration (DHCD).

The purpose of this Bill is to expressly continue the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for all 1- and 2-family dwellings; and expressly reinstating the application of certain regulations governing driveways and other paved surfaces for all 1- and 2-family dwellings.

The City's 2015 Edition of the Building, Fire and Related Codes (BFR) is in part comprised of the International Building Code (IBC), International Fire Code (IFC), and International Residential Code (IRC), among various other International Codes published by the International Code Council (ICC). City Council Bill 17-0017, if adopted, would amend two sections of the City's BFR Codes.

The first proposed change would accommodate recent changes made by the ICC to the IRC on solar photovoltaic power systems. The current version of the City's Code incorporates both the IRC § 324.7 and the IFC § 605.11, which each describe the same requirements for solar photovoltaic power systems. Recently, the ICC posted an "Errata" that, among other things, "deleted" IRC § 324.7, in its entirety, from the ICC's 2015 Edition of the IRC, in order to avoid the redundancy with the IFC. However, the change did not repeal the language that exempts Group R-3 buildings that are designed and constructed in accordance with the IRC, thereby inadvertently removing the requirement for R-3 buildings to abide to the IFC. City Council Bill 17-0017 would repeal the exception language, ensuring that the requirements of the IFC regarding photovoltaic power systems also apply to all Group R-3 buildings.

Various local building code provisions not addressed by the IRC but applicable to 1- and 2-family dwellings are included in the City's BFR Codes. The second change proposed by City Council Bill 17-0017 would correct an oversight that had omitted the local building code provisions for parking lots, driveways, and other paved surfaces, applicable to 1- and 2-family dwellings. The legislation would expressly incorporate those relevant portions regarding driveway entrances, surface paving, parking areas, and surface drainage into the BFR Codes.

Based on these findings, the Department of Public Works supports the passage of City Council Bill 17-0017.

FEB 16 2017

BALTIMORE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT COUNCIL

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Sincerely,

Rudolph S. Chow, P.E.

Director



CITY OF BALTIMORE

CATHERINE E. PUGH, Mayor



DEPARTMENT OF LAW

101 City Hall Baltimore, Maryland 21202

February 16, 2017

The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council
Attn: Natawna B. Austin, Executive Secretary Room 409, City Hall
100 N. Holliday Street
Baltimore, Maryland 21202

Re: City Council Bill 17-0017 - Building, Fire, and Related Codes - International Residential Code - Corrections

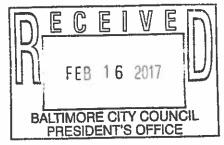
Dear President and City Council Members:

The Law Department has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0017 and approves it for form and legal sufficiency. The bill expressly continues the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for all 1- and 2-family dwellings and reinstates the application of certain regulations governing driveways and other paved surfaces for all 1- and 2-family dwellings.

Sincefely,

Victor K. Tervala Chief Solicitor

cc: David Ralph, Acting City Solicitor
Karen Stokes, Director, Mayor's Office of Government Relations
Angela Gibson, Mayor's Legislative Liaison
Kyron Banks, Mayor's Legislative Liaison
Elena DiPietro, Chief Solicitor, General Counsel Division
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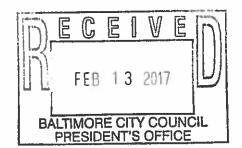






MICHAEL BRAVERMAN
Acting Executive Director, HABC

Acting Commissioner, HCD



MEMORANDUM

To: The Honorable President and Members of the Baltimore City Council

c/o Natawna Austin, Executive Secretary

From: Michael Braverman, Acting Commissioner

Date: February 8, 2017

Re: City Council Bill 17-0017 – Building, Fire, And Related Codes –

international Residential Code - Corrections

The Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has reviewed City Council Bill 17-0017 for the purpose of expressly continuing the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for all 1- and 2-family dwellings; and expressly reinstating the application of certain regulations governing driveways and other paved surfaces for all 1- and 2-family dwellings.

If enacted, this bill would modify two sections of the City's 2015 Edition of the Building, Fire and Related Codes (BFR). The first change would be to accommodate recent changes to the International Code Council (ICC) governing solar photovoltaic power systems that need to be incorporated into the local code. The second change is to add provisions in the local code that guide the development of parking lots, driveway and other paved surfaces.

The current version of the City's BFR Codes incorporates, by reference, the requirements of the International Residential Codes (ICC) §324.7 for Solar photovoltaic power systems. Recently, the ICC posted an "Errata" that, among other things, "deleted" IRC § 324.7 in its entirely, except for a section that refers to Group R-3 buildings, which states, "These requirements shall not apply to structures designed and constructed in accordance with the IRC". The deletion was to avoid redundancy with like requirements in IFC § 605.11.1.2 but the failure to remove the language pertaining to R-3 building inadvertently removed the requirements of IRC from pertaining to Group R-3 Buildings. The proposed legislation repeals that language, thereby continuing the requirements – and their consequent protections – for all Group R-3 building, including those structures governed by the IRC.

The City first adopted the IRC in its 2007 Edition of the City's BFR Codes. Various local building code provisions not addressed by the IRC, but applicable





CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 17-0017 (First Reader)

Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development)

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2017

Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee
REFERRED TO THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES: City Solicitor, Department of Housing and Community Development, Department of Transportation, Department of Public Works

A BILL ENTITLED

| 1 | AN ORDINANCE concerning |
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| 2 | Building, Fire, and Related Codes - International Residential Code - Corrections |
| 3 4 | FOR the purpose of expressly continuing the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for all 1- and 2-family dwellings; and expressly reinstating the application of certain regulations |
| 5 | governing driveways and other paved surfaces for all 1- and 2-family dwellings. |
| 6 | By repealing and reordaining, with amendments |
| 7 | Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes |
| 8 | Section 8-102 (FC § 605.11.1.2) |
| 9 | Baltimore City Revised Code |
| 0 | (2015 Edition) |
| 1 | By adding |
| 12 | Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes |
| 13 | Section 10-102 (RC § 327) |
| 14 | Baltimore City Revised Code |
| 15 | (2015 Edition) |
| 16 | SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the |
| 17 | Laws of Baltimore City read as follows: |
| 18 | Baltimore City Revised Code |
| 19 | Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes |
| 20 | Part VIII. International Fire Code |
| 21 | § 8-102. City modifications. |
| 22 23 | The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as follows: |
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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS indicate matter added to existing law. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

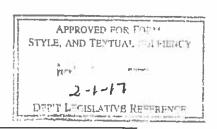
| 1 | Chapter 6. Building Services and Systems |
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| 2 | [Sections 605 to 608 {As in IFC}] |
| 3 | SECTION 605 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, WIRING AND HAZARDS |
| 4 | 605.1 TO 605.10 {AS IN IFC} |
| 5 | 605.11 SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SYSTEMS. {AS IN IFC} |
| 6 | 605.11.1 ACCESS AND PATHWAYS. {AS IN IFC} |
| 7 | 605.11.1.1 ROOF ACCESS POINTS. {AS IN IFC} |
| 8 9 10 | 605.11.1.2 SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC SYSTEMS FOR GROUP R-3 BUILDINGS. Solar photovoltaic systems for Group R-3 buildings shall comply with [Sections] §§ 605.11.1.2.1 through 605.11.1.2.5. |
| 11 12 13 | EXCEPTION: [These requirements shall not apply to structures designed and constructed in accordance with the International Residential Code.] <i>{NOT ADOPTED}</i> |
| 14 | 605.11.1.2.1 TO 605.1.2.5 {AS IN IFC} |
| 15 | 605.11.1.2 GROUND-MOUNTED PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAYS. {AS IN IFC} |
| 16 | 605.12 ABANDONED WIRING IN PLENUMS. {AS IN IFC} |
| 17 | SECTIONS 606 TO 608 {AS IN IFC} |
| 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 | Comment: For several years, IRC § 324.7 parroted requirements also covered by IFC § 605.11 {"Solar photovoltaic power systems"}. Both of these sections have been incorporated by reference, without modification, into the City's BFR Codes, including the current 2015 Edition. Recently, however, the ICC posted an "Errata" that, among other things, "deleted" IRC § 324.7, in its entirety, from the ICC's 2015 Edition of the IRC. Presumably, it did this in reliance on – and to avoid undue redundancy with –- the like requirements already imposed by IFC § 605.11. Unfortunately, the persons responsible for this "Errata" seem to have overlooked the Exception to IFC § 605.11.1.2, which (as shown above) provides that the section's requirements governing solar photovoltaic systems for Group R-3 buildings "shall not apply to structures designed and constructed in accordance with the International Residential Code". This correction repeals that exception, thereby continuing the requirements – and their consequent protections – for all Group R-3 buildings, including those structures governed by the IRC. |
| 31 | Part X. International Residential Code |
| 32 33 | § 10-102. City modifications. |
| 34 35 | The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as follows: |

| 1 | Chapter 3. Building Planning |
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| 2 | SECTION 327 DRIVEWAYS AND OTHER PAVED SURFACES |
| 3 4 5 | 327.1 DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES. ALL DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES LOCATED ON A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY MUST BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. |
| 6 7 8 9 | 327.2 Surface paving. Parking pads, driveways, and private roads must be paved with asphalt, brick, concrete, macadam, or stone block. Permeable paving systems may be utilized in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Department of Public Works. All paving must be able to support the design loads for the proposed vehicular traffic. |
| 11 12 | 327.3 PARKING AREAS. THE SIZE, LAYOUT, AND ARRANGEMENT OF PARKING AREAS MUST COMPLY WITH: |
| 13 | 1. THE BALTIMORE CITY ZONING CODE, AND |
| 14 | 2. THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION. |
| 15 16 17 | 327.4 SURFACE DRAINAGE. STORM DRAINAGE OFF PAVED SURFACE AREAS MUST BE PROPERLY CONVEYED TO PAVED ALLEYS, PAVED STREETS, OR OTHER APPROVED WATER COURSES. |
| 18 | 3112.6.1 LIMITATIONS. NO DRAINAGE MAY BE DISCHARGED: |
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| 37 38 | SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30 th day after the date it is enacted. |



INTRODUCTORY*

CITY OF BALTIMORE COUNCIL BILL 17-0617



Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development)

A BILL ENTITLED

AN ORDINANCE concerning

Building, Fire, and Related Codes – International Residential Code – Corrections

FOR the purpose of expressly continuing the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for all 1- and 2-family dwellings; and expressly reinstating the application of certain regulations governing driveways and other paved surfaces for all 1- and 2-family dwellings.

By repealing and reordaining, with amendments Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes Section 8-102 (FC § 605.11.1.2) Baltimore City Revised Code (2015 Edition)

By adding

Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes Section 10-102 (RC § 327) Baltimore City Revised Code (2015 Edition)

SECTION 1. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF BALTIMORE, That the Laws of Baltimore City read as follows:

Baltimore City Revised Code

Article - Building, Fire, and Related Codes

Part VIII. International Fire Code

§ 8-102. City modifications.

The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as follows:

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Chapter 6. Building Services and Systems

[Sections 605 to 608 {As in IFC}]

SECTION 605 ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT, WIRING AND HAZARDS

605.1 TO 605.10 {AS IN IFC}

605.11 SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC POWER SYSTEMS. {AS IN IFC}

605.11.1 ACCESS AND PATHWAYS. [AS IN IFC]

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EXCEPTION: [These requirements shall not apply to structures designed and constructed in accordance with the International Residential Code.] *{NOT ADOPTED}*

605.11.1.2.1 TO 605.1.2.5 {AS IN IFC}

605.11.1.2 GROUND-MOUNTED PHOTOVOLTAIC ARRAYS. [AS IN IFC]

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Part X. International Residential Code

§ 10-102. City modifications.

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Chapter 3. Building Planning

SECTION 327 DRIVEWAYS AND OTHER PAVED SURFACES

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CITY OF BALTIMORE ORDINANCE Council Bill 17-0017

Introduced by: The Council President

At the request of: The Administration (Department of Housing and Community Development)

Introduced and read first time: February 6, 2017

Assigned to: Judiciary and Legislative Investigations Committee Committee Report: Favorable

Council action: Adopted

Read second time: February 27, 2017

AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING

| 1 | Building, Fire, and Related Codes – International Residential Code – Corrections |
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| 2 | FOR the purpose of expressly continuing the regulation of solar photovoltaic power systems for |
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| 16 | 605.12 ABANDONED WIRING IN PLENUMS. {AS IN IFC} |
| 17 | SECTIONS 606 TO 608 {AS IN IFC} |
| 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 | COMMENT: For several years, IRC § 324.7 parroted requirements also covered by IFC § 605.11 {"Solar photovoltaic power systems"}. Both of these sections have been incorporated by reference, without modification, into the City's BFR Codes, including the current 2015 Edition. Recently, however, the ICC posted an "Errata" that, among other things, "deleted" IRC § 324.7, in its entirety, from the ICC's 2015 Edition of the IRC. Presumably, it did this in reliance on – and to avoid undue redundancy with — the like requirements already imposed by IFC § 605.11. Unfortunately, the persons responsible for this "Errata" seem to have overlooked the Exception to IFC § 605.11.1.2, which (as shown above) provides that the section's requirements governing solar photovoltaic systems for Group R-3 buildings "shall not apply to structures designed and constructed in accordance with the International Residential Code". This correction repeals that exception, thereby continuing the requirements – and their consequent protections – for all Group R-3 buildings, including those structures governed by the IRC. |
| 31 | Part X. International Residential Code |
| 32 33 34 | § 10-102. City modifications. The additions, deletions, amendments, and other modifications adopted by the City are as |
| 35 | follows: |

| 1 | Chapter 3. Building Planning |
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| 2 | SECTION 327 DRIVEWAYS AND OTHER PAVED SURFACES |
| 3 | 327.1 DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES. ALL DRIVEWAY ENTRANCES LOCATED ON A PUBLIC RIGHT- |
| 4 5 | OF-WAY MUST BE CONSTRUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. |
| 6 | 327.2 SURFACE PAVING. PARKING PADS, DRIVEWAYS, AND PRIVATE ROADS MUST BE PAVED |
| 7 8 | WITH ASPHALT, BRICK, CONCRETE, MACADAM, OR STONE BLOCK. PERMEABLE PAVING |
| 9 | SYSTEMS MAY BE UTILIZED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. ALL PAVING MUST BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THE DESIGN |
| 10 | LOADS FOR THE PROPOSED VEHICULAR TRAFFIC. |
| 11 12 | 327.3 PARKING AREAS. THE SIZE, LAYOUT, AND ARRANGEMENT OF PARKING AREAS MUST COMPLY WITH: |
| 13 | 1. THE BALTIMORE CITY ZONING CODE, AND |
| 14 | 2. THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION. |
| 15 | 327.4 SURFACE DRAINAGE. STORM DRAINAGE OFF PAVED SURFACE AREAS MUST BE |
| 16 | PROPERLY CONVEYED TO PAVED ALLEYS, PAVED STREETS, OR OTHER APPROVED WATER |
| 17 | COURSES. |
| 18 | 3112.6.1 LIMITATIONS. NO DRAINAGE MAY BE DISCHARGED: |
| 19 | 1. SO AS TO RUN OR FLOW OVER ANY SIDEWALK OR FOOTWAY, EXCEPT AT A |
| 20 | DRIVEWAY WITH A DEPRESSED CURB, OR |
| 21 | 2. ACROSS ANY ADJOINING PROPERTY. |
| 22 | COMMENT: The City first adopted the IRC in its 2007 Edition of the City's BFR Codes. |
| 23 24 | Until then, the IBC generally applied to all structures, including 1- and 2-family dwellings. In 2007, contemporaneous with the adoption of the IRC, the IBC was |
| 25 | amended to exclude from its scope those 1- and 2-family dwellings newly governed by |
| 26 27 | the IRC. See BC § 101.2 (Exception 1). Instead, various uniquely local BC provisions |
| 28 | not otherwise addressed by the IRC, but long applicable to 1- and 2-family dwellings, were amended into the local RC by reference. Cf., e.g., RC § 404.6 ("Underpinning"); |
| 29 | RC § 910.1 ("Rooftop Structures"). More recently, it was discovered that one set of |
| 30 31 | local BC provisions (BC § 3112 ("Parking Lots, Driveways, and Other Paved Surfaces"), |
| 32 | relevant portions of which have also been long applicable to 1- and 2-family dwellings, was inadvertently overlooked. This section corrects that oversight by expressly |
| 33 | incorporating those relevant portions into the RC |
| 34 | SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the catchlines contained in this Ordinance |
| 35 | are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as a part of this or any prior |
| 36 | Ordinance. |
| 37 | SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That this Ordinance takes effect on the 30th day |
| 38 | after the date it is enacted. |

| Certified as duly passed this | _ day of | , 20 |
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| | | President, Baltimore City Council |
| Certified as duly delivered to Her | Honor, the Mayor, | |
| this day of | _, 20 | |
| | | Chief Clerk |
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| Approved this day of | , 20 | |
| | | Mayor Baltimore City |