

ORDINANCE 2021- 08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PRICEVILLE, ALABAMA, REPEALING ORDINANCE 1988-2 AND ORDINANCE 1996-07. AND TO ADOPT STANDARD CODES TO PROVIDE FOR THE INSPECTION, AND THE SAFE CONSTRUCTION, REPAIR, AND RESTORATION OF BUILDINGS.

WHEREAS, this Ordinance shall be known as the "City of Priceville Standard Code Ordinance".

WHEREAS, the City of Priceville finds that it is in the interest of the public health, safety, and welfare to ensure that buildings, swimming pools and spas within the City are inspected, and are constructed, repaired or restored safely and in accordance with appropriate standards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Priceville desires to provide fair and impartial standards for inspection, and for new construction, repair, restoration, or alteration of existing buildings and historical structures; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City to adopt the various standard codes relating to buildings, fire prevention, fuel gas, housing, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, and swimming pools and spas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PRICEVILLE, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.**    **Purpose.** The purpose of this Ordinance is to provide for the fair and impartial determination of the safety of building and structures within the City and the imposition of remedies therefor. It is the ultimate purpose of this Ordinance and express legislative intent of the Council to ensure the safety of all residential and non-residential buildings and structures, as well as swimming pools and spas in the City of Priceville, regardless of age.

**Section 2.**    **Repeal.** Ordinance 1988-3 and Ordinance 1996-07 are hereby repealed in their entirety.

**Section 3.**    **Building Codes.** The following codes are hereby adopted by reference and incorporated as if set out in length, and are declared to be law in Priceville:

A. The "2015 International Building Code", as published by the International Code Council, is and shall be controlling as to all buildings and structures not covered by the "2015 International Residential Building Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings", except as herein and hereinafter amended.

1. Amendments to the 2015 International Building Code:

a. Amend Section 113 to be entitled "Appeals".

b. Amend Section 113.1 to read: Administrative Review. Appeals from any decision of the administrative official made pursuant to this Code shall be governed by the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

c. Amend Section 113.2 to read: Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with such order forthwith. Any affected person may thereafter, upon petition to the Board of Adjustment, be afforded a hearing according to the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

d. Delete section 113.3 in its entirety.

B. The "2015 International Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings", as published by the International Code Council, is and shall be controlling as to detached one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses up to three stories, except as herein and hereinafter amended.

1. Amendments to the 2015 International Residential Building Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings:

a. Amend section R101.1 to read: These provisions shall be known as the Residential Code for One- and Two-Family Dwellings of the City of Priceville and shall be cited as such and will be referred to herein as "this code".

b. Amend Section R112 to be entitled "Appeals".

c. Amend Section R112.1 to read: Administrative Review. Appeals from any decision of the administrative official made pursuant to this Code shall be governed by the procedures

established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

- d. Amend Section R112.2 to read: Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with such order forthwith. Any affected person may thereafter, upon petition to the Board of Adjustment, be afforded a hearing according to the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.
  - e. Delete sections R112.3 and R112.4 in their entirety.
- C. The “**2015 International Fuel Gas Code**”, as published by the International Code Council, except as herein and hereinafter amended.
- 1. Amendments to the 2015 International Fuel Gas Code:
    - a. Amend Section 109.1 to read: Administrative Review. Appeals from any decision of the administrative official made pursuant to this Code shall be governed by the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.
    - b. Amend Section 109.2 to read: Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with such order forthwith. Any affected person may thereafter, upon petition to the Board of Adjustment, be afforded a hearing according to the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.
    - c. Delete Sections 109.3 through 109.7 in their entirety.
- D. The “**2015 International Mechanical Code**”, as published by the International Code Council, except as herein and hereinafter amended.

1. Amendments to the 2015 International Mechanical Code:

- a. Amend Section 109.1 to read: Administrative Review. Appeals from any decision of the administrative official made pursuant to this Code shall be governed by the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.
- b. Amend Section 109.2 to read: Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with such order forthwith. Any affected person may thereafter, upon petition to the Board of

Adjustment, be afforded a hearing according to the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

c. Delete Sections 109.3 through 109.7 in their entirety.

F. The "2015 International Plumbing Code", as published by the International Code Council, except as herein and hereinafter amended.

I. Amendments to the 2015 International Plumbing Code:

a. Amend Section 108.1 to read: Administrative Review. Appeals from any decision of the administrative official made pursuant to this Code shall be governed by the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

b. Amend Section 108.2 to read: Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with such order forthwith. Any affected person may thereafter, upon petition to the Board of Adjustment, be afforded a hearing according to the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

c. Delete Sections 108.3 through 108.7 in their entirety.

F. The "2015 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code", as published by the International Code Council, except as herein and hereinafter amended.

I. Amendments to the 2015 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code:

a. Amend Section 108.1 to read: Administrative Review. Appeals from any decision of the administrative official made pursuant to this Code shall be governed by the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

b. Amend Section 108.2 to read: Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with such order forthwith. Any affected person may thereafter, upon petition to the Board of Adjustment, be afforded a hearing according to the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

c. Delete Sections 108.3 through 108.7 in their entirety.

G. The “**2014 National Electrical Code**”, as published by the National Fire Protection Association, except as herein and hereinafter amended.

1. Amendments to the 2014 National Electrical Code:

a. Amend Article 100 to read:

**Scope.** This article contains only those definitions essential to the proper application of this Code. It is not intended to include commonly defined general terms or commonly de-fined technical terms from related codes and standards. In general, only those terms that are used in two or more articles are defined in Article 100. Other definitions are included in the article in which they are used but may be referenced in Article 100. Part I of this article contains definitions intended to apply wherever the terms are used throughout this Code. Part II contains definitions applicable only to the parts of articles specifically covering installations and equipment operating at over 600 volts, nominal.

**Administrative Review.** Appeals from any decision of the administrative official made pursuant to this Code shall be governed by the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

Any person ordered to take emergency measures shall comply with such order forthwith. Any affected person may thereafter, upon petition to the Board of Adjustment, be afforded a hearing according to the procedures established for Administrative Review in Section 6.30 of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Priceville, Alabama.

2. Section 210-12 of the 2014 National Electric Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**210.12 Arc-Fault Circuit-Interrupter Protection.** Arc-fault circuit-interrupter protection shall be installed in a readily accessible location, as required in Subsections (A), below.

(A) **Dwelling Units.** All 120-volt, single-phase, 15- and 20-ampere branch circuits supplying outlets or devices shall be installed in every bedroom and in any room designed or intended for use as sleeping quarters.

(1) A listed AFCI shall be installed at the first outlet box on the branch circuit.

(2) The first outlet box in the branch circuit shall be marked to indicate that it is the first outlet of the circuit.

(3) The maximum length of the branch-circuit wiring from the branch-circuit overcurrent device to the first outlet shall not exceed 15.2 m (50 ft) for a 14 AWG conductor or 21.3 m (70 ft) for a 12 AWG conductor.

(4) If RMC, IMC, EMT, Type MC, or steel-armored Type AC cables meeting the requirements of 250.118, metal wireways, metal auxiliary gutters, and metal outlet and junction boxes are installed for the portion of the branch circuit between the branch-circuit and the first outlet, it shall be permitted to install a listed outlet branch-circuit type AFCI at the first outlet to provide protection for the remaining portion of the branch circuit.

(5) Where a listed metal or nonmetallic conduit or tubing or Type MC cable is encased in not less than 50 mm (2 in.) of concrete for the portion of the branch circuit between the branch-circuit and the first outlet, it shall be permitted to install a listed outlet branch-circuit type AFCI at the first outlet to provide protection for the remaining portion of the branch circuit.

(6) Branch circuits supplying receptacles or lighting in residential or commercial applications shall be serviced by no less than #14 or #12 AWG wire size. All other wire sizes shall be computed by determining the load ampere rating of the equipment or appliance.

(7) No more than seven (7) outlets per #14 AWG and ten (10) outlets per #12 AWG shall be allowed per residential or commercial branch circuit unless said branch circuit is designed and sealed by a qualified electrical engineer.

\* Exception: Where an individual branch circuit to a fire alarm system installed in accordance with 760.41(B) or 760.121(B) is installed in RMC, IMC, EMT or steel-sheathed cable, Type AC or Type MC, meeting the requirements of 250.118, with metal outlet and junction boxes, AFCI protection shall be permitted to be omitted.

Informational Note No. 1: For information on combination-type and branch-feeder-type arc-fault circuit interrupters, see UL 1699-2011, *Standard for Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupters*. For information on outlet branch-circuit type arc-fault circuit interrupters, see UL Subject I 699A,

*Outline of Investigation for Outlet Branch Circuit Arc-Fault Circuit-Interrupters.* For information on system combination AFC's, see UL Subject 1699C, *Outline of Investigation for System Combination Arc-Fault Circuit Interrupters.*

Informational Note No. 2: See 29.6.3(5) of NEPA 72-2013, *National Fire Alarm and Signaling Code*, for information related to secondary power-supply requirements for smoke alarms installed in dwelling units.

Informational Note No. 3: See 760.41(B) and 760.121(B) for power-supply requirements for fire alarm systems.

**(B) Branch Circuit Extensions or Modifications - Dwelling Units.** In any of the areas specified in 210.12(A), where branch-circuit wiring is modified, replaced, or extended, the branch circuit shall be protected by one of the following:

- (1) A listed AFCI located at the origin of the branch circuit.
- (2) A listed outlet branch-circuit type AFCI located at the first receptacle outlet of the existing branch circuit.

*\*Exception: AFCI protection shall not be required where the extension of the existing conductors is not more than 1.8 m (6 ft) and does not include any additional outlets or devices.*

**(C) Dormitory Units.** All 120-volt, single-phase, 15- and 90-ampere branch circuits supplying outlets installed in dormitory unit bedrooms, living rooms, hallways, closets, and similar rooms shall be protected by a listed arc-fault circuit interrupter meeting the requirements of 210.12(A)(1) through (6) as appropriate.

**Section 4. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 5. Enforcement and Penalties.** The administration and enforcement of this Ordinance shall be performed by the Administrative Official, who shall be a person designated by the Mayor. All enforcement powers granted by the codes adopted herein are declared expressly to apply in the City of Priceville. It is further declared that violations of this Ordinance, including violations of any provision of codes adopted herein shall be punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00 and imprisonment of up to six months.

**Section 6. Severability.** If any provision of this Ordinance or the codes adopted herein is invalidated by the judgment of a court of competent jurisdiction, it is the express legislative intent of the Council that such invalidation shall not be construed to invalidate any other provision, clause, sentence, or paragraph thereof.

**Section 7. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall become effective upon its posting in three (3) public places in the City of Priceville.

READ, APPROVED, and ADOPTED this 24 day of May, 2021.

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Mayor and Presiding Officer  
of the City Council of the  
City of Priceville, Alabama

ATTEST:

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Shannon Woodward  
City Clerk, City of Priceville, Alabama