

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-11-11

**An Ordinance of the City of Plano, Texas, repealing in its entirety City of Plano Ordinance No. 2016-3-10, codified as Division 2, Plumbing Code, of Article VIII, Plumbing and Mechanical Equipment, of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances; and adopting the 2018 Edition of the International Plumbing Code, with certain additions, deletions and amendments, as the Plumbing Code of the City of Plano; and providing a repealer clause, a severability clause, a savings clause, a penalty clause, a publication clause and an effective date.**

**WHEREAS**, on March 14, 2016, by Ordinance No. 2016-3-10, the City Council of the City of Plano amended Ordinance No. 2013-10-26 to reflect changes to the International Plumbing Code, and such were codified as Division 2, Plumbing Code, of Article VIII, Plumbing and Mechanical Equipment, of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano (“City”); and

**WHEREAS**, on October 16, 2018, the Building Standards Commission held a public hearing to discuss the adoption of the 2018 Edition of the International Plumbing Code, a publication of the International Code Council (I.C.C.), and to receive input from the general public and all persons who may be affected by the proposed adoption; and

**WHEREAS**, upon recommendation of the Building Standards Commission and upon full review and consideration of all matters attendant and related thereto, the City Council is of the opinion that the 2018 Edition of the International Plumbing Code, and the additions, deletions, and amendments thereto, should be approved and adopted as the Plumbing Code of the City.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PLANO, TEXAS, THAT:**

**Section I.** Ordinance No. 2016-3-10, duly passed and approved by the city Council of the City of Plano on March 14, 2016 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

**Section II.** A new Division 2, Plumbing Code, of Article VIII, Plumbing and Mechanical Equipment, of Chapter 6 of the Code of Ordinances is hereby adopted and shall read in its entirety as follows:

**“DIVISION 2. PLUMBING CODE**

**Section 6-236. Penalty.**

(a) Any violation of the provisions or terms of this ordinance by any person, firm or corporation shall be a misdemeanor offense and shall be subject to a fine in accordance with Section 1-4(a) of the City Code of Ordinances for each offense. Every day a violation continues shall constitute a separate offense.

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(b) Civil. The City may file a civil action for enforcement of this Division with civil penalties up to \$1,000.00 per day for each offense as authorized by Subchapter B of Chapter 54 of the Texas Local Government Code, as amended.

**Section 6-237. Adopted.**

The 2018 Edition of the International Plumbing Code a publication of the International Code Council (I.C.C.), is hereby adopted and designated as the Plumbing Code of the City, to the same extent as if such code were copied verbatim in this Section, subject to the deletions, additions and amendments prescribed in this Division. A copy of the 2018 Edition of the International Plumbing Code is on file in the office of the City Secretary.

**Section 6-238. Administrative authority.**

For purposes of this Division and interpreting the Code adopted in this Division, the term “Administrative Authority” shall mean the Building Official of the City, and his agents and employees who are hereby empowered with the authority to administer and enforce the provisions of this Division and the Plumbing Code.

**Section 6-239. Deletions, Additions, Amendments.**

The following deletions, additions, and amendments to the International Plumbing Code adopted in this Division are hereby approved and adopted:

**Table of Contents, Chapter 7, Section 713; change to read as follows:**

713 Engineered Drainage Design . . . . . 69

**Section 102.8; change to read as follows:**

**102.8 Referenced codes and standards.** The codes and standards referenced in this code shall be those that are listed in Chapter 15 and such codes, when specifically adopted, and standards shall be considered as part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference. Where the differences occur between provisions of this code and the referenced standards, the provisions of this code shall be the minimum requirements. Whenever amendments have been adopted to the referenced codes and standards, each reference to said code and standard shall be considered to reference the adopted amendments. Any reference to NFPA 70 shall mean the Electrical Code as adopted.

**Sections 106.6.2 and 106.6.3; change to read as follows:**

**106.6.2 Fee schedule.** The fees for all plumbing work shall be as adopted by resolution of the governing body of the jurisdiction.

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**106.6.3 Fee Refunds.** The code official shall establish a policy for authorizing the refunding of fees. *{Delete balance of section}*

**Section 109;** *delete entire section and insert the following:*

**SECTION 109  
MEANS OF APPEAL**

**109.1 Application for appeal.** Any person shall have the right to appeal a decision of the code official to the board of appeals established by ordinance. The board shall be governed by the enabling ordinance.

**109.2 Membership of Board through 109.7 Court Review;** *are deleted in their entirety.*

**Section 305;** *change to read as follows:*

**305.1 Protection against contact.** Metallic piping, except for cast iron, ductile iron and galvanized steel, shall not be placed in direct contact with steel framing members, concrete or cinder walls and floors or other masonry. Metallic piping shall not be placed in direct contact with corrosive soil. Where sheathing is used to prevent direct contact, the sheathing shall have a thickness of not less than 0.008 inch (8 mil) (0.203 mm) and the sheathing shall be made of approved material. Where sheathing protects piping that penetrates concrete or masonry walls or floors, the sheathing shall be installed in a manner that allows movement of the piping within the sheathing.

**305.4.1 Sewer depth.** Building sewers shall be a minimum of 12 inches (304 mm) below grade.

**Section 305.7;** *change to read as follows:*

**305.7 Protection of components of plumbing system.** Components of a plumbing system installed within 3 feet along alleyways, driveways, parking garages or other locations in a manner in which they could be exposed to damage shall be recessed into the wall or otherwise protected in an *approved* manner.

**Section 306;** *change to read as follows:*

**306.2.4 Plastic sewer and DWV piping installation.** Plastic sewer and DWV piping installed underground shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturers' installation instructions. Trench width shall be controlled to not exceed the outside the pipe diameter plus 16 inches or in a trench which has a controlled width equal to the nominal diameter of the diameter of the piping multiplied by 1.25 plus 12 inches. The piping shall be bedded in 4 inches of granular fill and then backfilled compacting the side fill in 6-inch layers on each side of the piping. The

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compaction shall be to minimum of 85 percent standard proctor density and extend to a minimum of 6 inches above the top of the pipe.

**Section 314.2.1;** *change to read as follows:*

**314.2.1 Condensate disposal.** Condensate from all cooling coils and evaporators shall be conveyed from the drain pan outlet to an *approved* place of disposal. ... {text unchanged} ... Condensate shall not discharge into a street, alley, sidewalk, rooftop, or other areas so as to cause a nuisance.

**Table 403.1;** *add footnote g*

g. Drinking fountains are not required in M Occupancies with an occupant load of 100 or less, B Occupancies with an occupant load of 25 or less, and for dining and/or drinking establishments.

**Section 409.2;** *change to read as follows:*

**409.2 Water connection.** The water supply to a commercial dishwashing machine shall be protected against backflow by an air gap or backflow preventer in accordance with Section 608. (Remainder of section unchanged)

**Section 412.4;** *change to read as follows:*

**413.4 Required location for floor drains.** Floor drains shall be installed in the following areas:

1. In public laundries and in the central washing facilities of multiple family dwellings, the rooms containing automatic clothes washers shall be provided with floor drains located to readily drain the entire floor area. Such drains shall have a minimum outlet of not less than 3 inches (76 mm) in diameter.

2. Commercial kitchens. In lieu of floor drains in commercial kitchens, the Code Official may accept floor sinks.

3. Public restrooms.

**Section 502.3;** *change to read as follows:*

**502.3 Water heaters installed attics.** Attics containing a water heater shall be provided . . . {bulk of paragraph unchanged} . . . side of the water heater. The clear access opening dimensions shall be not less than 20 inches by 30 inches (508 mm by 762 mm) where such dimensions are large enough to allow removal of the water heater. As a minimum, for access to the attic space, provide one of the following:

1. A permanent stair.

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2. A pull-down stair with a minimum 300 lb (136 kg) capacity.
3. An access door from an upper floor level.
4. Access Panel may be used in lieu of items 1, 2, and 3 with prior approval of the Code Official due to building conditions.

### **Exceptions:**

1. The passageway and level service space are not required where the appliance is capable of being serviced and removed... {remainder of section unchanged}

**Section 502.6;** *add Section 502.6 to read as follows:*

**502.6 Water heaters above ground or floor.** When the attic, roof, mezzanine or platform in which a water heater is installed is more than eight (8) feet (2438 mm) above the ground or floor level, it shall be made accessible by a stairway or permanent ladder fastened to the building.

**Exception:** A max 10-gallon water heater (or larger with approval) is capable of being accessed through a lay-in ceiling and a water heater is installed is not more than ten (10) feet (3048 mm) above the ground or floor level and may be reached with a portable ladder.

**Section 504.6;** *change to read as follows:*

**504.6 Requirements for discharge piping.** The discharge piping serving a pressure relief valve, temperature relief valve or combination thereof shall:

1. Not be directly connected to the drainage system.
2. Discharge through an air gap.
3. Not be smaller than the diameter of the outlet of the valve served and shall discharge full size to the air gap.
4. Serve a single relief device and shall not connect to piping serving any other relief device or equipment.

**Exception:** Multiple relief devices may be installed to a single T & P discharge piping system when *approved* by the administrative authority and permitted by the manufactures installation instructions and installed with those instructions.

5. Discharge to an approved location or to the outdoors.

*[Existing Text to Remain]*

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**Section 504.7.1;** *change to read as follows:*

**Section 504.7.1 Pan size and drain to read as follows:** The pan shall be not less than 11/2 inches (38 mm) in depth and shall be of sufficient size and shape to receive all dripping or condensate from the tank or water heater. The pan shall be drained by an indirect waste pipe having a diameter of not less than 3/4 inch (19 mm). Piping for safety pan drains shall be of those materials listed in Table 605.4. Multiple pan drains may terminate to a single discharge piping system when *approved* by the administrative authority and permitted by the manufactures installation instructions and installed with those instructions.

**Table 605.3;** *delete PVC from table 605.3.*

**Section 606.2 Location of shutoff valves;** *change to read as follows:*

**606.2 Location of shutoff valves.** Shutoff valves shall be installed in the following locations:

1. On the fixture supply to each plumbing fixture other than bathtubs and showers in one and two family residential occupancies, and other than in individual sleeping units that are provided with unit shutoff valves in hotels, motels, boarding houses and similar occupancies.
2. On the water supply pipe to each appliance or mechanical equipment.

**Section 608.1;** *change to read as follows:*

**608.1 General.** A potable water supply system shall be designed, installed and maintained in such a manner so as to prevent contamination from non-potable liquids, solids or gases being introduced into the potable water supply through cross-connections or any other piping connections to the system. Backflow preventer applications shall conform to applicable local regulations, Table 608.1, and as specifically stated in Sections 608.2 through 608.16.10.

**Section 608.17.5;** *change to read as follows:*

**608.17.5 Connections to lawn irrigation systems.**

The potable water supply to lawn irrigation systems shall be protected against backflow by an atmospheric-type vacuum breaker, a pressure-type vacuum breaker, a double-check assembly or a reduced pressure principle backflow preventer. A valve shall not be installed downstream from an atmospheric vacuum breaker. Where chemicals are introduced into the system, the potable water supply shall be protected against backflow by a reduced pressure principle backflow preventer.

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**Section 608.18;** *change to read as follows:*

**608.18 Protection of individual water supplies.** An individual water supply shall be located and constructed so as to be safeguarded against contamination in accordance with applicable local regulations. Installation shall be in accordance with Sections 608.17.1 through 608.17.8.

**Section 703.6 Combined Sanitary and Storm Public Sewer;** *Delete*

**Section 704.5;** *added to read as follows:*

**704.5 Single stack fittings.** Single stack fittings with internal baffle, PVC schedule 40 or cast iron single stack shall be designed by a registered engineer and comply to a national recognized standard.

**Section 712.5;** *add Section 712.5 to read as follows:*

**712.5 Dual Pump System.** All sumps shall be automatically discharged and, when in any “public use” occupancy where the sump serves more than 10 fixture units, shall be provided with dual pumps or ejectors arranged to function independently in case of overload or mechanical failure. For storm drainage sumps and pumping systems, see Section 1113.

**Section 713, 713.1;** *change to read as follows:*

### **SECTION 713 ENGINEERED DRAINAGE DESIGN**

**713.1 Design of drainage system.** The sizing, design and layout of the drainage system shall be designed by a registered engineer using *approved* design methods.

**Section 803.3;** *added to read as follows:*

**803.3 Special waste pipe, fittings, and components.** Pipes, fittings, and components receiving or intended to receive the discharge of any fixture into which acid or corrosive chemicals are placed shall be constructed of CPVC, high silicone iron, PP, PVDF, chemical resistant glass, or glazed ceramic materials.

**Section 903.1;** *change to read as follows:*

**903.1 Roof extension.** Open vent pipes that extend through a roof shall terminate not less than six (6) inches (152 mm) above the roof. Where a roof is to be used for assembly or as a promenade, observation deck, sunbathing deck or similar purposes, open vent pipes shall terminate not less than 7 feet (2134 mm) above the roof.

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**Section 918;** *changed to read as follows:*

**918.8 Where permitted.** Individual, branch and circuit vents shall be permitted to terminate with a connection to an individual or branch-type air admittance valve in accordance with Section 918.3.1. Stack vents and vent stacks shall be permitted to terminate to stack-type air admittance valves in accordance with Section 918.3.2. Air admittance valves shall only be installed with the prior approval of the building official.

**Section 1106.1;** *change to read as follows:*

**1106.1 General.** The size of the vertical conductors and leaders, building storm drains, building storm sewers, and any horizontal branches of such drains or sewers shall be based on six (6) inches per hour rainfall rate.

**Section 1108.3;** *change to read as follows:*

**1108.3 Sizing of secondary drains.** Secondary (emergency) roof drain systems shall be sized in accordance with Section 1106. Scuppers shall be sized to prevent the depth of ponding water from exceeding that for which the roof was designed as determined by Section 1101.7. Scuppers shall not have an opening dimension of less than 4 inches (102 mm). The flow through the primary system shall not be considered when sizing the secondary roof drain system.

**Section 1109 COMBINED SANITARY AND STORM PUBLIC SEWER;** *delete this section.*

**Section 1202.1 Nonflammable medical gases;** *delete Exceptions 1 and 2.”*

**Section III.** All provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed, and all other provisions of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Plano, not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance, shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section IV.** It is the intention of the City Council that this Ordinance, and every provision thereof, shall be considered severable, and the invalidity or unconstitutionality of any section, clause, provision or portion of this Ordinance shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other portion of this Ordinance.

**Section V.** The repeal of any Ordinance or part of Ordinances effectuated by the enactment of this Ordinance shall not be construed as abandoning any action now pending under or by virtue of such Ordinance or as discontinuing, abating, modifying or altering any penalty accruing or to accrue, or as affecting any rights of the municipality under any section or provisions of any Ordinances at the time of passage of this Ordinance.

**Section VI.** Any violation of the provisions or terms of this ordinance by any person, firm or corporation shall be a misdemeanor offense and shall be subject to a fine in accordance

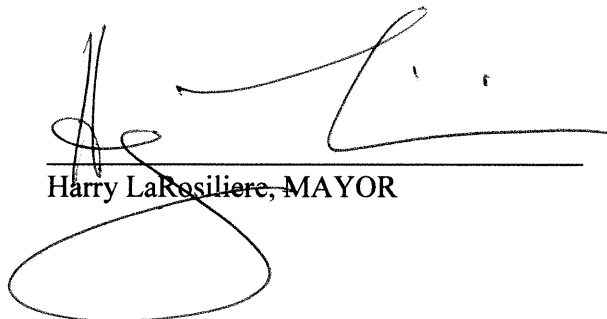


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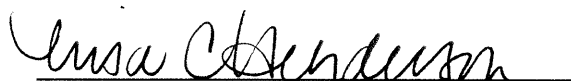
**Section VII.** This Ordinance shall become effective January 2, 2019 and after its passage and publication as required by law.

**DULY PASSED AND APPROVED** this, the 26th day of November, 2018.



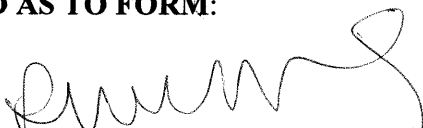
Harry LaRosiliere, MAYOR

**ATTEST:**



Lisa C. Henderson, CITY SECRETARY

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**



Paige Mims, CITY ATTORNEY