#### Ordinance No. 2397

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SALISBURY AMENDING SECTIONS 8.11.020 OF CHAPTER 8.11 THE FIRE PREVENTION CODE; 15.04.010 OF CHAPTER 15.04 BUILDING CODE, 15.12.020 OF CHAPTER 15.12 ELECTRICAL STANDARDS; 15.24.040 OF CHAPTER 15.24 HOUSING STANDARDS.

WHEREAS, the ongoing application, administration and enforcement of Title 8, Health and Safety, and Title 15, Buildings and Construction, of the Salisbury Municipal Code, demonstrates a need for its periodic review, evaluation and amendment to keep them current; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council may amend Chapter 15.04, Building Code, pursuant to the authority granted in SC 2-15 of the Salisbury City Charter and § 12-501, et seq. of the Public Safety Article, Maryland Annotated Code and related COMAR regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council have requested that the Department of Building, Permits and Inspections periodically review the Code in light of existing building trends and practices and code updates; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Building, Permits and Inspections does recommend approval of the proposed code changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it enacted and ordained by the Council of the City of Salisbury, Maryland, that Sections 8.11.020 of Chapter 8.11 the Fire Prevention Code; 15.04.010 and 15.04.020 of Chapter 15.04 Building Code, 15.12.020 of Chapter 15.12 Electrical Standards; 15.24.040 of Chapter 15.24 Housing Standards be amended as follows:

Chapter 8.11 - The Fire Prevention Code

8.11.020 - Amendments to the State Fire Prevention Code.

- A. The NFPA 101 Life Safety Code (2009 2015 Edition) is incorporated by reference, and is adopted with state amendments with the exception of COMAR 20.06.04 Fees for Fire Prevention Services.
- B. The NFPA 1 Fire Code (2009 2015 Edition) is incorporated by reference, and is adopted with state and local amendments. The local amendments are:
  - 1. The Board of Appeals shall be the Building Board of Adjustments & Appeals.
  - 2. Any person who fails to comply with the provisions of the Code or who fails to carry out an order made pursuant to this Code or violates any condition attached to a permit, approval, or certificate may be subject to a municipal infraction not to exceed \$500.00 each day the violation continues.
  - 3. Failure to comply with the time limits of an abatement notice or other corrective notice issued by the authority having jurisdiction may result in municipal

- infractions not to exceed \$500.00 each day the violation/s continues and the jurisdiction shall have authority as provided by law to evacuate, vacate and order such building or structure to be closed to the public.
- 4. Amend Section 10.11 Open Flame, Candles, Open Fires and Incinerators, to read: Open burning is prohibited within the City.
- C. The International Building Code (2009 2015 Edition) is incorporated by reference, and is adopted with state and local amendments.

## Chapter 15.04 - BUILDING CODE

15.04.010 - Adoption of standard codes.

The City of Salisbury adopts the following Standard Codes:

- A. International Building Code (2015) (IBC);
- B. International Residential Code (2015) (IRC);
- C. International Energy Conservation Code (2015 edition)(IECC);
- D. International Mechanical Code (2015)(IMC);
- E. International Plumbing Code (2015)(IPC);
- F. International Fuel Gas Code (2015)(IFGC); and
- G. International Existing Building Code (2015); and
- H. Maryland Accessibility Code.

### Chapter 15.12 - Electrical Standards

#### 15.12.020 - Adoption of standards by reference.

Except as may be provided otherwise in this chapter, the current requirements of the National Electrical Code (2014 EDITION), as revised from time to time, being the regulations of the National Board of Fire Underwriters for electric wiring and apparatus, shall be deemed to be the requirements imposed by this chapter, such National Electrical Code, as revised from time to time, being hereby adopted by reference as the electrical code of the city and being herein incorporated in its entirety by reference.

#### Chapter 15.24 - Housing Standards

#### 15.24.040 - Referenced standards.

- A. Where the following codes are referenced within this code, they shall be considered part of the requirements of this code to the prescribed extent of each such reference:
  - 1. International Building Code (2015) (IBC).
  - 2. International Residential Code (2015)(IRC);
  - 3. International Energy Conservation Code (2015)(IECC);
  - 4. International Mechanical Code (2015)(IMC);
  - 5. International Plumbing Code (2015)(IPC);
  - 6. International Fuel Gas Code (2015)(IFGC);
  - 7. International Existing Building Code (2015(IEBC)):
  - 8. Maryland Accessibility Code; and
  - 9. National Electrical Code (2014).
- B. Where differences occur between provisions of this code and referenced standards, this code shall apply. Additionally, nothing herein shall be construed to repeal, modify or set aside any provisions of the city's zoning code.

THIS ORDINANCE was introduced and read at a meeting of the Council of the City of Salisbury held on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2016 and thereafter, a statement of the substance of the ordinance having been published as required by law, in the meantime, was finally passed by the Council on the 22 day of August, 2016.

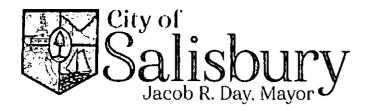
ATTEST:

Kimberly R. Nichols, City Clerk

John R. Heath, City Council President

Approved by me, this 21" day of AUGUST, 2016.

Jacob R. Day, Mayor



# Memorandum

To: Tom Stevenson, City Administrator

CC: Julia Glanz, Asst. City Administrator

From: William T. Holland

Date: July 20, 2016

Ref: Code Updates - City Council Work Session August 1

Attached is an Ordinance amending the Fire Prevention Code reflecting the most current edition as adopted by the state of Maryland, adding language to the adopted standard codes by including the Maryland Accessibility Code, amending the electrical standards reflecting the most current edition, and amending Property Maintenance Code to reference the 2015 International Codes.

These are all minor changes, never-the-less; let me know if you have any questions.