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Fire service veteran to serve on ICC Board

The International Code Council Board of Directors named 17-year fire service veteran Adolf A. Zubia as a director.

The ICC, a 50,000-member association dedicated to building safety, develops the codes used to construct residential and commercial buildings, including homes and schools. The majority of U.S. cities, counties and states that adopt codes choose building safety and fire prevention codes developed by the ICC.

Zubia, Chief of the Las Cruces Fire Department since 2001, is responsible for management and administration of the city's fire and emergency services, including the Fire Marshal's offices.

He began his fire service career in 1986 with the Las Cruces Fire Department. He was promoted to Fire Marshal in 1992, responsible for managing and administering Fire Prevention Programs and Code Enforcement, personnel, plan review, building inspections and fire investigations. As a fire investigator, he was the first fire service member in his community to be certified as a police officer.

In 1998, Zubia became Fire Marshal for Dona Ana County. He had oversight of the Fire Prevention Service and administrative responsibility for more than 16 independent fire districts with more than 350 volunteer firefighters.

He was instrumental in creating the New Mexico Fire Marshals Association as an International Fire Code Institute Chapter, now an ICC chapter. He served as NMFMA president for five years. He is a former instructor and current member of the Las Cruces Community College Fire Science Advisory Committee and has taught for IFCI nationally.

Zubia has a bachelor's degree from New Mexico State University and is working on a master's in public administration. He is a graduate of the National Fire Academy Executive Fire Officer Program and was recently selected as one of eight fire service members to attend Harvard's annual program for Senior Executive in State and Local Government. He has been active in code development and is a certified fire code inspector.