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International Code Council goes virtual for the 2021 Committee Action Hearings Upcoming spring code hearings will be conducted virtually for first time in organization's history

Washington, D.C. – The International Code Council has begun its 2024 code development process and confirmed its Committee Action Hearings will leverage a virtual model for participants. Taking place April 11 through May 5, 2021, all interested parties are encouraged to participate as modern and innovative building codes and standards affect the safety and sustainability of all our buildings and communities.

"As we continue to navigate the pandemic and adhere to COVID-19 regulations, the safety of hearing participants is our number one priority," said Dominic Sims, CBO, Chief Executive Officer of the Code Council. "Following the success of our recent virtual appeals, we've incorporated key lessons learned and are well-positioned to leverage a virtual framework for our upcoming Committee Action Hearings."

Due to the hearings being a highly collaborative process, staff, moderators and committee members will have the option to gather in a central location for the duration of the process, while adhering to social distancing guidelines. Speaking participants and those interested in listening to the proceedings will be able to join virtually. As done in previous years, the hearings will be available to view for free through a livestream.

Committee member selection is underway, and submissions for code change proposals are currently open. The Code Council will be accepting code change proposals through **January 11, 2021**. Anyone can submit a proposal via the Code Council's cloud-based program, cdpACCESS, at www.cdpaccess.com.

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About the International Code Council

The <u>International Code Council</u> is the leading global source of model codes and standards and building safety solutions. Code Council codes, standards and solutions are used to ensure safe, affordable and sustainable communities and buildings worldwide.