

COUNCIL RESOLUTION No. 70-2019**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKIE, OREGON, TO SUPPORT CITIES CLIMATE, ENERGY AND FISCAL GOALS BY VOTING IN UNITY FOR A MORE EFFICIENT 2021 INTERNATIONAL ENERGY CONSERVATION CODE.**

WHEREAS, Milwaukie's residential, multi-family, and commercial buildings are our largest source of energy use and energy waste, and account for 64 percent of our community's carbon emissions; and

WHEREAS, because buildings can last a century or more, and are often too costly to retrofit, the best time to incorporate permanent efficiency measures is at initial construction; and

WHEREAS, building energy codes, by setting minimum building efficiency requirements at initial construction, provide measurable and permanent energy savings and emissions reductions over the century-long life spans of these buildings; and

WHEREAS, our city reaps long-lasting and widespread benefits from steady improvements to America's Model Energy Code (the International Energy Conservation Code or IECC), including greater building resiliency and fire worthiness; reduced energy bills for home and commercial building owners and tenants; fewer foreclosures from inability to pay energy bills; flatter peak-load energy demand and a more stable energy grid; and

WHEREAS, energy efficient housing is most beneficial to those with the lowest incomes as they save money on utility costs long after the cost of those energy improvements is paid for; and

WHEREAS, via our Climate Action Plan, our city has committed to being net zero on carbon emissions from building energy by 2040, and to becoming a carbon neutral city by 2050; and

WHEREAS, McKinsey & Co. has identified building energy efficiency as the most significant, impactful, and cost-effective step cities can take to meet United States Conference of Mayors (USCM) and Paris Accord emission targets; and

WHEREAS, our city has an opportunity to vote online in support of a 10% boost in the efficiency of the International Code Council's (ICC's) update of America's Model Energy Code this November.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved that:

1. Our jurisdiction should fully participate in this November's ICC online voting and support proposals that will boost the efficiency of this year's update of America's Model Energy Code, the 2021 IECC, by at least 10%; and

2. All of our jurisdiction's eligible ICC votes cast shall be consistent with our city's energy and climate policy and shall vote consistent with the USCM recognized IECC voting guide and fact sheets developed by the broad-based Energy Efficient Codes Coalition (EECC), which objectively identifies IECC proposals that employ existing technologies to improve new building efficiency, as well as those that would weaken or trade away efficiency.

Introduced and adopted by the City Council on **November 5, 2019**.

This resolution is effective immediately.



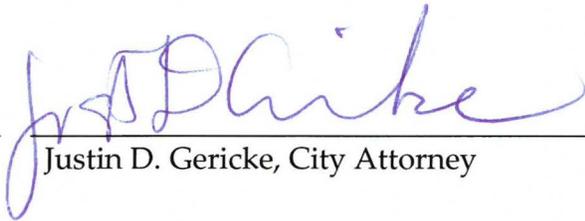
Mark F. Gamba, Mayor

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