Central Iowa Code Consortium - Code Proposal Form

Note - Each code section proposal must be submitted on a separate form

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Resource for code content - https://codes.iccsafe.org/public/collections/I-Codes

IRC - International Residential Codes

Code Section *

See example below. DO NOT INCLUDE ANY LEADING ALPHA CHARACTERS! Resource for code language - https://codes.iccsafe.org/public/collections/I-Codes

3704.7

Is this an Appendix Chapter? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If yes, which appendix?

Allowing Alpha Characters

Code Section Example

R101.1 Title.
These provisions shall be known as the *Residential Code for One- and Two-family Dwellings* of **[NAME OF JURISDICTION]**, and shall be cited as such and will be referred to herein as "this code."

R101.2 Scope.
The provisions of the *International Residential Code for One- and Two-family Dwellings* shall apply to the construction, *alteration*, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, *equipment*, use and occupancy, location, removal and demolition of detached one- and two-family dwellings and *townhouses* not more than three stories above *grade plane* in height with a separate means of egress and their *accessory structures* not more than three stories above *grade plane* in height.

Type of proposal *

Amend - Edit current section - change words | Delete - Remove section | Insert - Add text to existing section

- ○ Modification
- ○ Deletion
- ◉ Addition

Does this proposal impact other codes? *

- ◉ Yes
- ○ No

If yes, indicate which code and code section?

The same provision has been proposed to be added to the NEC

Does this proposal relate to a previously accepted CICC amendment? *

- ○ Yes
- ◉ No

If yes, which previously accepted CICC amendment?

Modification

Existing Text *

Full text as it is printed in the Code. Book Resource for code language - https://codes.iccsafe.org/public/collections/I-Codes

Proposed Text *

Deletion

This text is being proposed to be struck from the adopted code.

Existing Text to be struck *

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Addition

This text is being proposed to be added to the 2018 International Code for adoption by local municipalities.

Provide your new proposed code to be added to the existing code as cited above. *

3704.7 Prohibited Locations

3704.7.1 Feeders supplying a Townhome shall not extend through any Townhome unit other than the unit served. For the purposes of this provision, the term Townhome shall mean a single-family dwelling unit constructed in a group of two or more attached units in which each unit extends from foundation to roof and with a yard or public way on not less than two sides.

Justification for Proposal

Provide reason to support your proposal based on the safety impact, enfforceability, cost effectiveness, or unique location conditions

Justification *

Feeders run through someone else's property are subject to tampering and an easement agreement may be necessary to obtain access to such piping. Townhouses are separated by property lines and feeders should not cross property lines. If a townhouse unit burns down, any feeders that extended through it to serve adjacent units will be destroyed resulting in a loss of service to the adjacent units. If a failure of the feeder occurs necessitating replacement, it is not possible to replace it without significantly disturbing other units. The right of entry into adjacent units it not guaranteed as they are private property. The NEC already has provisions (230.3) which prohibiting the service conductors from passing through another unit. The International Fuel Gas Code prohibits gas lines from passing though adjacent townhouses (404.3) The reasoning given at the IFGC code hearings is similar to the reasoning being suggested here. The definition included on the proposed language seeks to clarify this is limited to residential units only, as does not apply to condo's or apartments which are typically built on a single lot. The Building Official always maintains the right to accept alternate means and methods such as a recorded easement agreement.

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