ORDINANCE NO. 20100624-144

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 25-12-241 TO REPEAL SECTION R106 AND PART IV OF THE RESIDENTIAL CODE RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND AMENDING CITY CODE SECTION 25-12-243 TO REPEAL RESIDENTIAL CODE SECTION R105.3.2, AMENDING RESIDENTIAL CODE SECTION R105.5, AND ADDING NEW SECTION R106.4 RELATING TO PERMIT APPLICATION AND EXPIRATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUSTIN:

PART 1. Subsection (B) of City Code Section 25-12-241 (Residential Code) is amended to add Section R106 and Part IV as deleted provisions from the 2006 International Residential Code.

PART 2. City Code Section 25-12-243 (Local Amendments to the Residential Code) is amended to repeal Section R105.3.2 (Time limitation of application) and amend Section R105.5 (Expiration) to read as follows:

R105.5 Time Limitation on Application; Permit Expiration and Reactivation. Time limits on permit applications and requirements for permit expiration and reactivation, including a review fee for expired permits, are set forth in Chapter 25-12, Article 13 (Administration of Technical Codes). Every permit issued shall become invalid unless the work authorized by such permit is commenced within 180 days after its issuance, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days after the time the work is commenced. The building official is authorized to grant, in writing, one extension of time, for a period of not more than 180 days. The extension shall be requested in writing before the permit expires and justifiable cause demonstrated.

PART 3. City Code Section 25-12-243 (Local Amendments to the Residential Code) is amended to add a new Section R106.4 to read as follows:

R106.4 Amended construction documents. Work shall be installed in accordance with the approved construction documents, and any changes made during construction that are not in compliance with the approved construction documents shall be resubmitted for approval as an amended set of construction documents. Construction documents may not be amended to add additional square footage unless the applicant obtains approval of a new permit from the building official.
PART 4. This ordinance takes effect on October 1, 2010.

PASSED AND APPROVED

June 24, 2010

Lee Leffingwell
Mayor

APPROVED: Karen M. Kennard
Acting City Attorney

ATTEST: Shirley A. Gentry
City Clerk