

Annual Internal Review

This report covers the time period of 7/1/2017 to 6/30/18

(This report is due in the first quarter of each fiscal year for the previous year.)

Mechanical & Plumbing Board

(Official Name of Board or Commission)

The Board/Commission mission statement (per the City Code) is:

City Code § 2-1-161 Mechanical & Plumbing BOARD.

The board shall hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions, or determinations made by the building official relating to the application and interpretation of Chapter 25-12, Article 5 (*Mechanical Code*), Chapter 25-12 and Article 6 (*Plumbing Code*).

- 1. Describe the board's actions supporting their mission during the previous calendar year. Address all elements of the board's mission statement as provided in the relevant sections of the City Code.
 - During 2017-18 this Board held 3 meetings. 12/12/2017, 4/30/2018, 5/22/2018
 - The Board elected Board Officers.
 - Approved the Annual Board Schedule.
 - The Board sided with the Building Official in denying the appeal of the use of injection of chemicals into a potable water treatment system. Plumbing code 602.2 Cross Contamination.
 - Board is currently in discussion with DSD staff on the interpretations on the language of the City of Austin Annual Permit Program. Board is requesting clarity of 'qualified tradesperson' from the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation.

2. Determine if the board's actions throughout the year comply with the mission statement.

This board does comply with the mission statement and reviews appeals and determinations related to the Plumbing Code, the Mechanical Code, and the Energy Code and applicable Criteria Manuals, which is what helps make Austin one of the most livable cities. The Board understands the importance of their recommendations to council and has been successful in fulfilling this obligation.

3. List the board's goals and objectives for the new calendar year.

This Board is expected to make recommendations for:

- Review draft rules for applicable Criteria Manuals.
- Review any ordinances related to plumbing, mechanical, auxiliary water, backflow and conservation.