

**RULE NO.: R161-15.06**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE**

**POSTING DATE: April 2, 2015**

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The Director of the Planning and Development Review Department proposes to adopt the following rule after May 4, 2015.

Comments on the proposed rule are requested from the public. Comments should be submitted to Robyn Diaz, 505 Barton Springs Road, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Austin, TX 78704; (512) 974-1638. To be considered, comments must be submitted before May 4th, the 32nd day after the date this notice is posted. A summary of the written comments received will be included in the notice of rule adoption that must be posted for the rule to become effective.

An affordability impact statement regarding the proposed rule has been obtained and is available for inspection or copying at the address noted in the preceding paragraph.

**EFFECTIVE DATE OF PROPOSED RULE**

A rule proposed in this notice may not become effective before the effective date established by a separate notice of rule adoption. A notice of rule adoption may not be posted before May 4<sup>th</sup> (the 32nd day after the date of this notice) or not after July 1, 2015 (the 90th day after the date of this notice).

If a proposed rule is not adopted on or before July 1, 2015, it is automatically withdrawn and cannot be adopted without first posting a new notice of a proposed rule.

**TEXT OF PROPOSED RULE**

A copy of the complete text of the proposed rule is available for public inspection and copying at the following locations. Copies may be purchased at the locations at a cost of ten cents per page:

Planning and Development Review Department, located at 505 Barton Springs Road, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Austin, Texas; and

Office of the City Clerk, City Hall, located at 301 West 2nd Street, Austin, Texas.

**BRIEF EXPLANATION OF PROPOSED RULE**

Rule R161-15.06 – Revisions to the Building Criteria Manual.  
The proposed rule renames Section 4 to “Residential Construction”, and moves all the Electrical sections from Section 4 to Section 5.

The proposed rule renames Section 5 to "Commercial Construction - Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing and other technical codes", adds the Electrical sections from Section 4, and deletes obsolete sections.

#### **AUTHORITY FOR ADOPTION OF PROPOSED RULE**

The authority and procedure for adoption of a rule to assist in the implementation, administration, or enforcement of a provision of the City Code is provided in Chapter 1-2 of the City Code. The authority to regulate construction requirements is established in Chapter 25-12 (Technical Codes) of the City Code.

**CERTIFICATION BY CITY ATTORNEY**

By signing this Notice of Proposed Rule (R161-15.06), the City Attorney certifies the City Attorney has reviewed the rule and finds that adoption of the rule is a valid exercise of the Director's administrative authority.

**REVIEW AND APPROVED**



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Greg Guernsey, Director  
Planning and Development Review Department

Date: 3/13/15



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Anne Morgan  
Interim City Attorney

Date: 3/29/15