



To: Mayor Keil and Council Members
City Manager Doug Faseler

From: Dale Skinner, Fire Chief

Date: December 4, 2015

Re: Adoption of 2015 International Fire Code

The Seguin Fire Department is proposing to adopt the 2015 International Fire Code. The City of Seguin is currently operating under the 2009 International Codes.

Staff is proposing an effective date of February 1, 2016. The fire department has prepared copies of the significant changes from the previous version which is available for contractors at Fire Administration.

Adoption of the 2015 codes is critical to ensure that the Insurance Standards Organization (ISO) rating for the City of Seguin is not negatively impacted due to outdated fire codes. Failure to adopt the new codes will negatively affect our upcoming ISO grading evaluation, which could increase insurance costs to both residential and commercial occupancies. Furthermore, adoption of these codes allows for consistency with the recently adopted Building Codes.

Attached please find a copy of the Ordinance amending Chapter 50, Article II of the Code of Ordinances, repealing the 2009 Codes and adopting the 2015 Codes with the included modifications.