



Legislation Details (With Text)

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**Title:** AN ORDINANCE relating to Seattle’s construction codes; adopting the Seattle Energy Code and chapters of the Washington Administrative Code by reference and amending certain chapters of the Code; amending Section 22.101.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code; repealing Title 22, Subtitle VII of the Seattle Municipal Code; and repealing Sections 2 through 10 of Ordinance 125159 and Section 5 of Ordinance 125410.

**Sponsors:** Dan Strauss

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Date	Ver.	Action By	Action	Result
2/9/2021	1	City Clerk	attested by City Clerk	
2/9/2021	1	Mayor	returned	
2/8/2021	1	Mayor	Signed	
2/5/2021	1	City Clerk	submitted for Mayor's signature	
2/1/2021	1	City Council	passed	Pass
1/27/2021	1	Land Use and Neighborhoods Committee	pass as amended	Pass
1/25/2021	1	City Council	referred	
1/21/2021	1	Council President's Office	sent for review	
1/12/2021	1	City Clerk	sent for review	
1/12/2021	1	Mayor	Mayor's leg transmitted to Council	

**CITY OF SEATTLE**

**ORDINANCE** \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL BILL \_\_\_\_\_

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**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:**

**ADOPTION OF NEW CODE**

Section 1. To the extent listed in Section 22.101.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code as amended by this ordinance, and with a copy on file with the City Clerk in the Clerk File listed in Section 22.101.010, the following code is adopted by reference, with additional amendments to that code in the listed attachment to this ordinance:

Code adopted by reference	Contained/amended in
Chapters 51-11C and 51-11R WAC (Washington State Energy Code)	Attachment A

Section 2. Section 22.101.010 of the Seattle Municipal Code, enacted by the ordinance introduced as Council Bill 119992, is amended as follows:

**22.101.010 List of construction codes**

Table A for 22.101.010 lists various adopted Seattle editions of construction codes. For each base code that has been adopted by reference, a copy is on file in the Clerk’s Office in the listed Clerk File. Each code consists of the listed portions of the base code, any additional chapters listed as adopted by ordinance, and amendments adopted by ordinance.

**Table A for 22.101.010  
Construction codes adopted by reference**

Name	Base code	Additional chapters	Clerk File
Seattle Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code	Attachment A to this ordinance		
Seattle Building Code	2018 International Building Code, Chapters 2 through 29 and 31 through 35	Chapters 1 and 30, in Attachment B to this ordinance	321854
Seattle Electrical Code	2020 National Electrical Code and selected portions of chapter 296-46B WAC	Article 80, in Attachment C to this ordinance	321855
Seattle Energy Code	2018 Washington State Energy Code		<u>321861</u>
Seattle Existing Building Code	2018 International Existing Building Code, Chapters 2 through 11, 13, 15, and 16 and Appendix A	Chapter 1, in Attachment D to this ordinance	321856

Seattle Fuel Gas Code	2018 International Fuel Gas Code, Chapters 2 through 8 and Appendices A through D	Chapter 1, in Attachment E to this ordinance	321857
Seattle Mechanical Code	2018 International Mechanical Code, Chapters 2 through 9 and 11 through 15 and Appendices A and B	Chapter 1, in Attachment F to this ordinance	321858
Seattle Residential Code	2018 International Residential Code, Chapters 2 through 10, 12 through 24, 29, and 44 and Appendices F, Q, and T	Chapter 1, in Attachment H to this ordinance	321860

**REPEAL OF OLD CODE AND TRANSITION PROVISIONS**

Section 3. The following sections of ordinances, either adopting or amending older editions of the Seattle Energy Code, are repealed: Sections 2 through 10 of Ordinance 125159 and Section 5 of Ordinance 125410.

Section 4. Beginning on the effective date of this ordinance and ending on March 15, 2021, permit applicants who submit a valid and fully complete building permit application during that period may elect to have the application reviewed under the provisions of one or more codes listed in Section 3 of this ordinance rather than the provisions of codes adopted in this ordinance.

**SEATTLE MUNICIPAL CODE CLEANUP AND CORRECTIONS**

Section 4. Title 22, Subtitle VII of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 125159, is repealed:

~~((Subtitle VII Energy Code~~

~~CHAPTER 22.700 ADMINISTRATION~~

~~22.700.010 Seattle Energy Code~~

~~The Seattle Energy Code consists of: 1) The first printing of Chapter 51-11C and the second printing of Chapter 51-11R of the Washington Administrative Code (WAC), effective July 1, 2016, which are adopted by reference; and 2) amendments and additions to Chapters 51-11C and 51-11R of the Washington Administrative Code adopted by the City Council by ordinance. One copy of the first printing of Chapter 51-11C and the second~~

~~printing of Chapter 51-11R of the Washington Administrative Code, effective July 1, 2016, is filed with the City Clerk in Clerk File 319948:))~~

**SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE CLAUSES**

Section 5. The provisions of this ordinance are declared to be separate and severable. The invalidity of any clause, sentence, paragraph, subdivision, section, or portion of this ordinance, or the invalidity of its application to any person or circumstance, does not affect the validity of the remainder of this ordinance or the validity of its application to other persons or circumstances.

Section 6. Section 3 of this ordinance shall take effect and be in force on March 15, 2021.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

Passed by the City Council the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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President \_\_\_\_\_ of the City Council

Approved / returned unsigned / vetoed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Jenny A. Durkan, Mayor

Filed by me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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**Attachments:**

Attachment A - Amendments to 2018 Washington State Energy Code