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MEMORANDUM

To: Safety and Licensing Committee
From: B/C Joseph Strauss
Date: 06/26/2018
Re: Revision of AMC 6-56(b) to adopt the 2015 version of the International Fire Code (IFC)

On May 1, 2018, the State of Wisconsin adopted the 2015 edition of the International Building Code (IBC), the 2015 edition of the International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), the 2015 edition of the International Existing Building Code (IEBC), the 2015 International Fuel Gas Code (IFGC), and the 2015 International Mechanical Code (IMC) as the model codes. As a result, the City of Appleton Department of Public Works - Building Inspections Division, which had been operating under the 2009 edition of the IBC, transitioned to the 2015 edition of the IBC.

To be consistent in education and enforcement, the Appleton Fire Department has traditionally adopted and enforced the applicable International Fire Code (IFC) under the same year edition as the IBC enforced by the Building Inspections Division. As a result of the change to the adopted 2015 edition of the IBC, it is our desire to transition to the 2015 edition of the IFC and therefore, we recommend amending AMC 6-56(b) to reflect the change from the 2009 edition to the 2015 edition of the IFC.

Currently AMC 6-56(b) states:

The International Fire Code 2009 Edition, hereinafter "IFC" is hereby adopted as though fully set forth herein, with the following exceptions:

- (1) Chapter 1 of the IFC is not included as part of the adoption of the IFC, nor is Chapter 34.
- (2) The Appendices A is not included as part of the adoption of the IFC.

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We would recommend AMC 6-56(b) state:

The International Fire Code 2015 Edition, hereinafter "IFC" is hereby adopted as though fully set forth herein, with the following exceptions:

- (1) Chapter 1 and Chapter 57 are not included in the adoption of the 2015 edition of the IFC.
- (2) Appendices A, J, K, L, and M are not included in the adoption of the 2015 edition of the IFC.

Based on the above, the Fire Department recommends that AMC 6-56(b) be amended to reflect the change from the 2009 edition to the 2015 edition of the IFC with the stated exceptions.