

	<p><b>Agenda Item: Presentation</b></p> <p><b>Title: Presentation Related to Possible Building Code Updates</b></p>
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**Recommended Council MOTION:**

No action will be taken.

**Administrative or Policy Goal:**

To protect the health and safety of the public by regulating minimum requirements for new and existing buildings, facilities, storage and processes; and to regulate and govern the safeguarding of life and property from deficiencies in design, construction, and maintenance of buildings that are occupied or will be occupied in the future.

**Background:**

The amendments and updates being considered and discussed during this Work Session are related to the Building Code, which is adopted in its entirety within Municipal Code. The International Building Codes are a nationwide code adopted and used by most Cities, Towns and Counties across the country, and is considered the industry standard in building codes.

As the City continues to consider how these codes may affect our local community, we have heard that these codes cause difficulty in some areas of construction. Due to this concern, the City of Laramie Code Administration Division (Building Department) has tracked issues we have noted as staff over the last couple of years. Additionally, on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2026 the City held a “Contractors Meeting” to discuss possible changes that could be made that would help address issues experienced by the contracting community. This meeting was intended to give contractors a voice in how building codes affect the way they build and construct in our community.

This work session will be focused on reviewing suggested changes proposed by contractors at the Contractors Meeting, changes suggested through an online survey provided to every licensed contractor in the City and staffs recommended changes. The desire is to receive feedback from Council on suggested code changes so staff can begin drafting necessary language to be included in an ordinance that will be presented to the Planning Commission and City Council.

**Responsible Staff:**

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Attachments:

- None

Future dates are subject to change

Work Session	2/10/2026
PC Public Hearing Advertised	
Public Hearing Held	
CC Public Hearing Advertised	
Introduction/1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading/Public Hearing	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Reading	