

RESOLUTION NO. 090217-08

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE RESIDENTIAL CODE REGULATIONS OF LARAMIE COUNTY BY ADOPTING THE 2006 EDITION OF THE INTERNATIONAL RESIDENTIAL CODE FOR ONE AND TWO FAMILY DWELLINGS WITH MODIFICATIONS.**

**WHEREAS**, Wyo. Stat. §18-5-201 and §18-5-301 authorize Laramie County, in promoting the public health, safety, morals and general welfare of the county, to regulate the subdivision, use, location, design of land and buildings in unincorporated Laramie County; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyo. Stat. § 35-9-121 authorizes Laramie County to adopt electrical, mechanical and building codes applicable in unincorporated Laramie County; and

**WHEREAS**, minimum regulations governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures is essential to ensure that property, buildings and structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use;

**WHEREAS**, Laramie County has been granted local enforcement authority by the Wyoming State Fire Marshall; and

**WHEREAS**, Laramie County adopted the 2003 edition of the International Residential Code for one and two family dwellings; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of Wyoming adopted the 2006 edition of the International Building Code and the 2006 edition of the International Fire Code; and

**WHEREAS**, Wyo. State § 35-9-121 (a) (ii) requires county's that have been granted local enforcement to adopt new standards within six months following the adoption of new standards by the State; and

**WHEREAS**, the State adopted new standards on February 1, 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, the Laramie County Board of County Commissioners wish to continue to act as the local authority under State Statute; and

**WHEREAS**, on July 1, 2008, Laramie County adopted the 2006 edition of the International Building Code under Wyoming State Statute § 16-3-103 ; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Laramie County Commissioners find remaining a local enforcement authority is important to the health, safety and welfare to citizens of the County.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING**, as follows:

**Section 1. Short Title.** The amendments adopted by this resolution shall be known as the "2006 Amendments to the Residential Code Regulations of Laramie County".

**Section 2. 2000 Code Repealed.** The 2003 Edition of the International Residential Code and amendments thereto, which were adopted and amended as the "Residential Code Regulations of Laramie County" are hereby repealed.

**Section 3. 2006 International Residential Code Adopted.** The Board of County Commissioners for Laramie County, Wyoming, for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing the design and construction of one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses and inspection thereof, adopts the International Residential Code, 2006 Edition, including Appendices "E", "G" and "H", save and except such portions as are herein deleted, added, modified, or amended as the Residential Code Regulations of Laramie County. A copy of the code has been filed in the office of the County Clerk, and the same is hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein and from the date of adoption. These provisions shall be controlling within the unincorporated areas of the County.

**Section 4. Amendments, Additions, and Deletions.** The following sections of the International Residential Code, 2006 Edition, including Appendices "E", "G" and "H", which is adopted herein, are modified and/or added to as follows:

A. **Section R101.1 Title** shall read as follows:

These provisions shall be known as the Residential Code Regulations of Laramie County, shall be applicable to all lands within unincorporated Laramie County, shall be cited as such and will be referred to herein as "this code."

B. **Section R103.1 Creation of Enforcement Agency** shall read as follows:

The department of building safety for purposes of these Residential Code Regulations shall be the Laramie County Planning and Development Department and the official in charge thereof shall be known as the Chief Building Official.

C. **Section R108.2 Schedule of fees** shall read as follows:

The schedule of fees is attached as Exhibit A and fully incorporated herein.

D. **Section R108.2.1 Re-inspections** shall be added and shall read as follows:

A reinspection fee may be assessed for each inspection or reinspection when such portion of the work for which inspection is called is not complete or when corrections called for are not made. This section is not to be interpreted as requiring reinspection fees the first time a job is rejected for failure to comply with the requirements of this code, but as controlling the practice of calling for inspections before the job is ready for such inspection or reinspection. Reinspection fees may be assessed when the inspection record card is not posted or otherwise available on the work site, the approved plans are not readily available to the inspector, for failure to provide access on the date for which

inspection is requested, or for deviating from plans requiring the approval of the building official. To obtain a reinspection, the applicant shall file an application therefore in writing on a form furnished for that purpose and pay the reinspection fee in accordance with Exhibit A, Laramie County Building Permit Fees. In instances where reinspection fees have been assessed, no additional inspection of the work will be performed until the required fees have been paid.

**E. Section R108.5 Fee refunds shall read as follows:**

The building official may authorize refunding of any fee paid hereunder which was erroneously paid or collected. The building official may authorize refunding of not more than 80% of the permit fee paid when no work has been done under a permit issued in accordance with this code. The building official may authorize refunding of not more than 80% of the plan review fee paid when an application for a permit for which a plan review fee has been paid is withdrawn or canceled before any plan reviewing has been done. The building official shall not authorize refunding of any fee paid except on written application filed by the original permittee not later than 180 days after the date of fee payment.

**F. Section R112.1 Board of Appeals; General shall read as follows:**

The Board of Appeals for purposes of these residential regulations shall be the board of appeals created by the Laramie County Commissioners. A final decision by the board of appeals shall be final for purposes of the Wyoming Administrative Procedures Act.

**G. Section R113.4 Penalty Provision shall read as follows:**

Any person violating any provision of this Code shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. Each and every day or portion thereof during which a violation of any provision of such Code is committed, continued or permitted shall constitute a separate offense. Upon conviction, such person may be punished by a fine of not more than Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) for each offense. (Wyo. Stat. §§ 18-5-201 through 18-5-207).

**H. Section R301.2(1) and Table R301.2(1) Climactic and geographic design criteria shall read as follows:**

GROUND SNOW LOAD: 30# psf - WIND SPEED: 100 mph - SEISMIC DESIGN CATEGORY: B - WEATHERING: Severe - FROST LINE DEPTH: 36 inches (for footings and foundations) - TERMITE: Slight to Moderate -DECAY: None to S light - WINTER DESIGN TEMP: -1 Degree Fahrenheit - ICE SHIELD UNDER LAYMENT REQUIRED: No – FLOOD HAZARDS: Firm effective date, September 30, 1977; Map effective date March 2, 1994 – AIR FREEZING INDEX: > 0-1000 – MEAN ANNUAL TEMP: 45 degrees Fahrenheit.

- I. **Figure R301.2(4)** is hereby amended to show Laramie County as having a 100 miles per hour basic wind speed.
- J. **Part IV Energy Conservation, Chapter 11 Energy Efficiency** is hereby deleted in its entirety.
- K. **Section G2406.2, Exceptions 3 and 4**, are hereby deleted in their entirety and amended to read as follows:

Unvented fuel burning equipment shall not be installed, used, maintained, or permitted to exist in any building.

- L. **Sections G2445.1 through G2445.6.6** are hereby deleted in their entirety. **Section G2445.7** is renumbered to G2445.1.

- M. **Section M1601.3.5.1** is created to read as follows:

Flexible air ducts and connectors shall be limited in length to 10 feet.

- N. **Section P2503.7** is deleted in its entirety.
- O. **Section P2603.6.1** insert 36 inches for [NUMBER] in both locations.
- P. **Section P3103.1** insert 12 inches for [NUMBER] in both locations.
- Q. **Section P3008** is deleted in its entirety.

- R. **Chapter 44 Prefabricated Buildings** is created to read as follows:

**Section 4401 General.**

1. **Purpose.** The purpose of this chapter is to regulate materials and establish methods of safe construction where any structure or portion thereof is wholly or partially prefabricated.
2. **Scope.** Unless otherwise specifically stated in this chapter, all prefabricated construction and all materials used therein shall conform to all applicable requirements of the International Codes.

**Section 4402 Permit Required.** Prior to construction or installation of any prefabricated building or component, the applicant shall first obtain a building permit and pay the required fees as required by the International Codes. The following information and supporting documentation will be required:

1. Proof that a properly permitted foundation, in the case of a building or structure, has been installed, inspected and approved by the building official;

2. Compliance with applicable laws, ordinances, rules and regulations, which may include a site plan and approved zoning designation.

**Section 4403 Definitions.** The following definition shall apply in the interpretation and enforcement of this chapter:

1. "Prefabricated assembly" means a structural unit, the integral parts of which have been built up or assembled prior to incorporation in the building.
2. "Prefabricated building" means any off-site pre-manufactured structure that is designed and constructed in accordance with the International Codes, as amended, as set forth in this title.

**Section 4404 Testing, inspection, certification.** Testing, inspection and certification of all prefabricated construction or prefabricated items, to include residential, shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 17 of the International Building Code (IBC), as determined by the Building Official

**Section 4405 Inspections; certificate of occupancy - Required.**

Inspections of prefabricated items shall comply with the provisions of the International Codes. Prior to use or occupancy of a prefabricated structure, the owner shall obtain a final inspection and certificate of occupancy from the building official.

- S. **Chapter 45 Exceptions** is created to read as follows:

**Section 4501.** These Regulations shall not apply to any of the following:


1. Agricultural structures as defined by the International Building Code 2006 and modified by Laramie County;
2. Mines and their appurtenant facilities, oil field operations, petroleum refineries and liquefied petroleum gas facilities (excluding habitable structures);
3. Railway shops, railway buildings (except those used for public assembly, cafeterias, dormitories, etc), rolling stock and locomotive equipment;
4. Automotive equipment employed by a railway, gas, electric or communication utility in the exercise of its function as a public utility;

**Section 5. Repealer.**

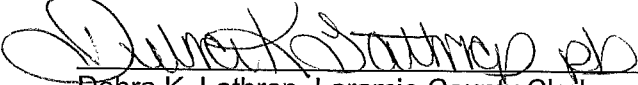
If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution is, for any reason, held to be invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution.

 PRESENTED, READ, PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

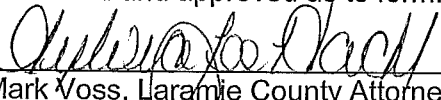
BOARD OF LARAMIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

  
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Jeff Ketcham, Chairman

ATTEST:

  
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Debra K. Lathrop, Laramie County Clerk

Reviewed and approved as to form:

  
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Mark Voss, Laramie County Attorney

# EXHIBIT A

## SCHEDULE OF FEES

# Laramie County Building Permits

## Building and Plan Review Fee Schedule

Valuation Low	to	Valuation High	Building Permit Fee	Plan Review Fee	Sum of Building & Review Fees
\$1	to	\$1,000	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$25.00
\$1,001	to	\$5,000	\$90.00	\$0.00	\$90.00
\$5,001	to	\$10,000	\$147.42	\$95.82	\$243.24
\$10,001	to	\$20,000	\$260.82	\$169.53	\$430.35
\$20,001	to	\$30,000	\$358.47	\$233.01	\$591.48
\$30,001	to	\$40,000	\$440.37	\$286.24	\$726.61
\$40,001	to	\$50,000	\$522.27	\$339.48	\$861.75
\$50,001	to	\$60,000	\$578.97	\$376.33	\$955.30
\$60,001	to	\$70,000	\$637.67	\$414.49	\$1,052.16
\$70,001	to	\$80,000	\$692.37	\$450.04	\$1,142.41
\$80,001	to	\$90,000	\$749.07	\$486.90	\$1,235.97
\$90,001	to	\$100,000	\$805.77	\$523.75	\$1,329.52

\$100,001	to	\$500,000	Building Permit Fee is \$805.77 for the first \$100,000 plus \$4.41 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof including \$500,000*		
\$500,001	to	\$1,000,000	Building Permit Fee is \$2,569.77 for the first \$500,000 plus \$3.78 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof including \$1,000,000*		
\$1,000,001	and up		Building Permit Fee is \$4,459.77 for the first \$1,000,000 plus \$2.52 for each additional \$1,000 or fraction thereof*		

**\* THE PLAN REVIEW FEE, IF REQUIRED, IS IN ADDITION TO THE PERMIT FEE  
AND IS EQUAL TO SIXTY-FIVE PERCENT OF THE PERMIT FEE**

**\* THE PERMIT VALUATION IS BASED ON ESTIMATED COST OF MATERIALS AND LABOR. FOR RESIDENTIAL PERMITS, ACTUAL LABOR COSTS MAY BE USED.**

Inspections outside of normal business hours (minimum charge - 2 hours)	\$35.00 per hour
Re-inspection fees	\$50.00 per hour
Inspections for which no fee is specifically indicated (minimum charge - 1/2 hour)	\$35.00 per hour
Additional plan review required by changes, additions or revisions (min charge - 1/2 hour)	\$35.00 per hour
Accessory Structures (excludes necessary electrical, plumbing or mechanical permits)	\$100
For use of outside consultants for plan checking and inspections, or both	Actual Costs
Large Wind Turbines	\$500.00 per tower

### Other Miscellaneous Fees

Public Works Construction Permit - driveway access on public right-of-ways	\$25.00
Inspections for childcare and fire or electrical safety	\$35.00