



## **REQUEST FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT**

### **PROPOSED 2012 UNIFORM MECHANICAL CODE HOUSTON AMENDMENTS**

Interested persons are invited to review, comment or submit code change proposals for consideration in the future adoption of the Construction Code.

The City of Houston currently enforces the 2006 version of most construction codes, but has begun the process of preparing local amendments to the 2012 codes. The Building Code Enforcement Branch is reviewing the 2012 series of model codes for possible amendment and adoption in the City of Houston Construction Code. The second draft has been developed for a package of proposed amendments to the 2012 Uniform Mechanical Code for adoption by the City of Houston. The rest will follow in sequence.

To review and comment, please follow the hyperlinks below:

- [2012 Uniform Mechanical Code \(UMC\) Proposed Amendments](#)
- [Mechanical Code Change Proposal Form](#)

The amendment package above does not contain the unamended portions in the model code. The model code can be purchased through the International Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials at [www.iapmo.org](http://www.iapmo.org) or other construction book stores.

The proposed amendments were developed by Building Code Enforcement staff with the goal of minimizing the number of amendments to maintain the code as close as possible to the nationally promulgated codes ensuring the City of Houston stays current with the codes adopted throughout the country. Each amendment was justified as to its impact and necessity. Historical amendments that were not necessary were removed, such as pointers, clarifications or reworded code language with the same intent.

Interested individuals are invited to submit proposals for code change amendments in writing. The code change proposal form is available by clicking on the Code Change Proposal Form above. Proposed amendments need to be justified with an explanation indicating whether it increases safety, maintains a reasonable level of safety in a cost effective manner, or addresses unique local conditions. The Mechanical Code Change Proposal forms must be submitted by **June 28, 2014** to be reviewed for inclusion in the updated code amendments.

For questions, please contact Sheila Blake by email at [Sheila.Blake@houstontx.gov](mailto:Sheila.Blake@houstontx.gov).

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#### **CODE ENFORCEMENT CONTACT INFORMATION**

##### **PLAN REVIEW**

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**One-Stop - (832) 394-8820 (*Commercial Remodels and Residential*)**

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