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Memo

To: Sandy City Council

From: Robert DeKorver, Fire Marshal

CC: Bruce Cline, Fire Chief

Date: July 25, 2019

Re: Adoption of the 2018 International Fire Code to include Appendices B, C, D, N

As Fire Marshal I am desirous to have a work session to discuss the upcoming adoption of the 2018 International Fire Code to include Appendices B, C, D, and N.

July 1, 2019 saw the adoption of the 2018 International Fire Code by the Utah State Legislature, putting it into current law. With that adoption by the state I usually come before the city council to complete a local adoption, showing that we are also going to follow and support the 2018 International Fire Code. I also renew our local city ordinances that deal with fire sprinklers and hydrant placement.

This year there is not many changes from the 2015 code, and I have included the 14 page document that shows you the changes that took place from one code to the next. Also included in city ordinance is the adoption of appendix B and C. Appendix B is used to figure fire flow, and supports our amendment of the code to require sprinklers in some buildings. Appendix C gives direction on the number and spacing of hydrants beyond that of our city ordinance.

The biggest change with approval of the council for this year would be the adoption of Appendix D and Appendix N. Appendix D deals with fire department access, road widths, fire lanes and general access to the different locations in Sandy. I have taken appendix D to the planning commission and the development review team to get feedback on the document and received positive feedback from each of these groups. The adoption of Appendix D would mean some changes to the Land Development Code, but it would bring both the Fire Code and Land Development Code more in harmony with each other, which is best practice and good policy.

The next change from previous years would be the addition of Appendix N. Over the years it has been difficult to manage the different shows that go through the expo center with the Fire Code. I have often discussed with Rick Medina that it would be nice to have a portion of the code that was dedicated to just indoor exhibits and trade shows. Well this year the International Code Committee came out with Appendix N, which deals specifically with indoor exhibit and

trade shows. Like the other appendix adoption, I met personally with Rick Medina at the MACU Expo Center and received his approval of preceding forward with the adoption of appendix N.

All of the appendices that I am proposing that we adopt are adopted within other jurisdictions in Salt Lake County, like UFA, and Salt Lake City. Although more strict than the actual code, in areas, they help to bring the fire code more in line with the other codes that are used in the city. I look forward to our discussion on this proposed future adoption, and to be able to answer any questions associated with them.