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Submitted by:

Chair of the Assembly  
at the request of the Mayor

Prepared by:

Development Services

For reading:

September 10, 2002

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

AO NO. 2002-133

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING THE 1997 UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, 1997 CODE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS, 1997 UNIFORM PLUMBING CODE, AND THE 1999 NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE AND THEIR RESPECTIVE LOCAL AMENDMENTS, AND AMENDING TITLE 23 OF THE ANCHORAGE MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADOPT AND AMEND THE 2000 EDITIONS OF THE FOLLOWING CODES, IN ADDITION TO THE CODES ALREADY IN PLACE: ADMINISTRATIVE, BUILDING, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, FIRE, EXISTING BUILDINGS, RESIDENTIAL, 2002 ELECTRICAL, GRADING, FILL AND EXCAVATION, AND FUEL GAS CODE

## THE ANCHORAGE ASSEMBLY ORDAINS

**Section 1.** That Anchorage Municipal Code Chapters 23.10 Uniform Administrative Code, 1997 Edition and 23.65 Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, 1997 Edition, are hereby repealed.

**Section 2.** That the Table of Contents for Anchorage Municipal Code Title 23 is hereby amended to read:

### TITLE 23 BUILDING CODES

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- 23.05 Building Regulations
- I-23.1 Anchorage Administrative Code, 2000 Edition
- 23.15 Uniform Building Code, Vol. 1, Vol. 2 and 3 1997 Edition, including appendices Chapters 3, 15, 16, 18, 19, 31, 33 and 34, except for UBC Chapter 1, 29 and 30
- I-23.15 International Building Code, 2000 Edition, except Chapters 1 and 34, including appendices A-C, G and H.
- 23.20 Uniform Mechanical Code, 1997 Edition, including appendices thereto. Delete Chapter 1, except Sections 101, 102, 103.4, 103.5, 103.6, 103.7, 113.3.2
- I-23.20 International Mechanical Code, 2000 Edition, except Chapter 1
- 23.25 Uniform Plumbing Code, 2000 Edition, except Chapters 1, 12 and 15, including appendices A, B, D, I, and L.
- 23.30 National Electrical Code, 2002 Edition, including the appendices thereto
- 23.35 Uniform Solar Energy Code, 1997 Edition
- 23.40 Uniform Sign Code, 1997 Edition
- 23.45 Uniform Fire Code, 1997 Edition, including appendices thereto, except appendix III-D and VI-C

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**Summary of Economic Effects -- General Government**

AO Number: 2002- 133

Title: A.M.C. Title 23 New Building Codes 2000 Edition

Sponsor:

Preparing Agency: DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Others Impacted: SAME

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**CHANGES IN EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES:**

(In Thousands of Dollars)

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	<u>FY02</u>	FY03	FY04	<u>FY05</u>	FY06
<b>Operating Expenditures</b>					
1000 Personal Services					
2000 Non-Labor					
3900 Contributions					
4000 Debt Service					
<b>TOTAL DIRECT COSTS:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
Add: 6000 Charges from Others					
Less: 7000 Charges to Others					
<b>FUNCTION COST:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>REVENUES:</b>					
<b>CAPITAL:</b>					
<b>POSITIONS: FT/PT and Temp</b>					

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**PUBLIC SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

This ordinance does not have an economic impact on the public sector except for the regulatory requirements for public agencies to obtain permits and inspections as required by the codes.

**PRIVATE SECTOR ECONOMIC EFFECTS:**

The adoption of the new editions of building codes does not have an economic impact on the private sector except for the requirements to obtain permits and inspections as required by the codes and local amendments.

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Validated by OMB: 

Date: 8-26-02

Approved by: 

Date: 7/11/02

Concurred by: 

Date: 7/11/02

Approved by: 

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Municipality of Anchorage  
ASSEMBLY MEMORANDUM

No. AM 753-2002

Meeting Date: September 10, 2002

**FROM:** Mayor George Wuerch

**SUBJECT:** AO 2002 - 133 Repeal the 1997 Uniform Administrative Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, 1999 National Electrical Code, and 1997 Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, and Reenactment of AMC Title 23 to Adopt the 2000 Versions of the Building Codes in Conjunction with the Remaining 1997 Building Codes Currently in Place

The attached ordinance adopts new codes and revised local amendments. The new codes and proposed amendments have been reviewed and recommended by the Anchorage Building Board after 11 subcommittees comprised of over 200 private sector and MOA professionals reviewed the national codes and made recommendations to the Building Board. This process took approximately one and a half years to complete. All meetings were open to the public and posted on the web. The Building Board held several public hearings on the new codes and proposed local amendments. These hearings produced input from the public and resulted in some further changes and updates, which have been incorporated into this package. This package has been finalized and recommended by the Anchorage Building Board. The administration is forwarding the enclosed document for Assembly approval.

These proposed changes repeal the existing Uniform Administrative Code, Uniform Plumbing Code, National Electrical Code and local amendments, and the 1997 Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, and adopt the new codes, with local amendments, in conjunction with the remaining 1997 Uniform family of codes. Adopting both the Uniform family and International family of codes will give Anchorage builders more design options. National codes are changed on a three-year cycle. Staff worked in conjunction with the Anchorage Building Board and the Legal Department to insure the easiest and most understandable way to present the new codes and amendments. It was determined that bracketing material to be deleted and underlining changes and new material would be too confusing, as the 2000 codes are entirely new codes, with the noted exceptions. Experience has proven this is the least confusing way to adopt the technical building codes.

The technical provisions found throughout the codes and local amendments should not be controversial because every reasonable attempt has been made to resolve technical issues during committee meetings and public hearings.

The administration recommends these documents be approved by the Assembly. All issues contained in the technical building codes portion of this document have been addressed in detail by committees established by the Building Board, through advertised and posted public hearings before the separate committees, and by the Building Board as a whole.

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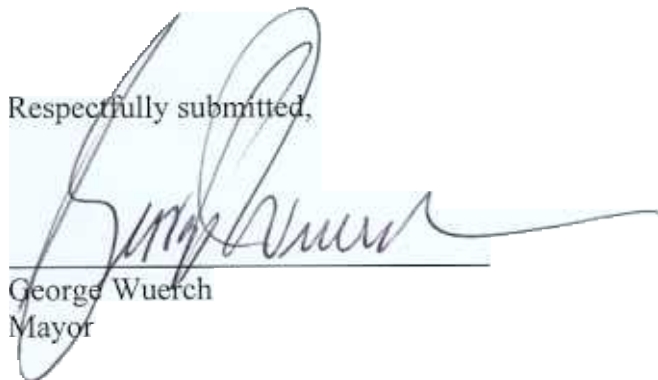


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Respectfully submitted,



George Wuerch  
Mayor

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CAN BE OBTAINED AT

CLERK'S OFFICE.