## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Board of Building Appeals (BOBA) Members

FROM:

Perry Johnson, Fire Marshal

DATE:

August 5, 2020

SUBJECT: TEXT AMENDMENT TO TITLE XV, 150.103; ADOPTION OF THE NATIONAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION (NFPA) LIFE SAFETY CODE, 101 2015 EDITION BY REFERENCE

## **RECOMENDATION**

The Office of the State Fire Marshal has recently updated the adopted life safety code from the NFPA 101, Life Safety Code (2000 Edition) to the NFPA 101, Life Safety Code (2015 Edition), effective on **January 1, 2020**. Non-home rule municipalities are mandated to enforce fire prevention and life safety standards that are equal to or greater than the OSFM-adopted life safety code.

Fire Department staff is recommending adopting by reference the most current Life Safety Code, NFPA 101 adopted by the State of Illinois. The Life Safety Code addresses, the construction, protection, and occupancy features necessary to minimize danger to lifer and property from the effects of fire or other emergency requiring evacuation of **existing** buildings and structure within out community.

## **ARTICLE XV. - NFPA 101 LIFE SAFETY CODE**

§ 150.102 - Title; scope.

This subchapter shall be known as the Life Safety Code and shall apply to the function, design, operation, and maintenance of all existing buildings and structures for safety to life from fire and similar emergencies.

§ 150.103 - Adoption by reference.

- (A) The village hereby adopts the 2009 the most current version of the "The Life Safety Code", NFPA 101 adopted by the State of Illinois as published by the National Fire Protection Association for the purpose of regulating and governing the safeguarding of life and property from fires and explosion hazards arising from the storage, handling, and use of hazardous substances, materials, and devices, and from conditions hazardous to life or property in the occupancy of buildings and premises. The terms and conditions of the 2009 State of Illinois's edition are hereby to be in full force and effect as adopted by the village and subject to any amendments made thereto.
- (B) Not less than three copies of the code hereby adopted in subsection (A) above, in book form, have been filed in the office of the Village Clerk for use and examination by the public at least 30 days prior to the adoption of this Chapter, and that not less than three copies of said code are now filed in the office of the Village Clerk.
- (C) Where differences occur between the provisions of this Code, the International Fire Code and the referenced standards, the most restrictive shall apply.

Section 1.3.1 Change to read as follows: Existing Buildings and Structures. The code shall apply to existing buildings and structures.

(Ord. 2709, passed 4/19/12; Ord. No. 7061, Exh. A, passed 4-2-15)