

CITY OF THE COLONY, TEXAS
ORDINANCE NO. 2021 - 2423

2018 INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE
WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE COLONY, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 6, ARTICLE I OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF THE COLONY, TEXAS, BY RENUMBERING SECTION 6-7, ENTITLED "SCHEDULE OF FEES" AS SECTION 6-16, ENTITLED "SCHEDULE OF FEES"; REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY SECTION 6-5.3, ENTITLED "INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE ADOPTED" AND REPLACING IT WITH A NEW SECTION 6-7, ENTITLED "INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE ADOPTED" BY ADOPTING THE 2018 EDITION OF THE *INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE*, AND LOCAL AMENDMENTS TO *THE INTERNATIONAL FUEL GAS CODE*; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A REPEALER CLAUSE; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of The Colony, Texas, is of the opinion that the 2018 Edition of the *International Fuel Gas Code*, along with local amendments hereto, should be adopted as the Fuel Gas Code for the City of The Colony.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE COLONY, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. That the findings set forth above are incorporated into the body of this Ordinance as if fully set forth herein.

SECTION 2. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of The Colony, Texas, be, and the same is, hereby amended by amending Chapter 6, Article I, by renumbering current Section 6-7, entitled "Schedule of fees" as Section 6-16, entitled "Schedule of fees."

SECTION 3. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of The Colony, Texas, be, and the same is, hereby amended by amending Chapter 6, Article I, by repealing in its entirety Section 6-5.3, entitled "International Fuel Gas Code Adopted" and replacing it with a new Section 6-7, entitled "International Fuel Gas Code Adopted" which shall read as follows:

"Sec. 6-7. International Fuel Gas Code Adopted.

- (a) *Adoption.* The *International Fuel Gas Code* with Appendices A through D, 2018 edition, is hereby adopted and designated as the Fuel Gas Code for the City of The Colony, Texas. A copy of the 2018 Edition of the *International Fuel Gas Code* is on file in the office of the City Secretary.
- (b) *Local Amendments.* The following provisions are local amendments to the 2018 Edition of the *International Fuel Gas Code*. Each provision is a substitute for the identically numbered provision contained in the 2018 Edition of the *International Fuel Gas Code* or

is a provision added to the 2018 Edition of the *International Fuel Gas Code*.

Section 101.1 Title; change to read as follows:

These regulations shall be known as the *Fuel Gas Code* of the city of The Colony, herein referred to as “this code.”

Section 306.3; change to read as follows:

[M] 306.3 Appliances in attics. Attics containing appliances shall be provided . . . *{bulk of paragraph unchanged}* . . . side of the *appliance*. The clear *access* opening dimensions shall be a minimum of 20 inches by 30 inches (508 mm by 762 mm), and large enough to allow removal of the largest *appliance*. As a minimum, for *access* to the attic space, provide one of the following:

1. A permanent stair.
2. A pull down stair with a minimum 300 lb (136 kg) capacity.
3. An *access* door from an upper floor level.
4. *Access* Panel may be used in lieu of items 1, 2, and 3 with prior approval of the code official due to building conditions.

Exceptions:

1. The passageway and level service space are not required where the *appliance* is capable of being serviced and removed through the required opening.
2. Where the passageway is not less than . . . *{bulk of section to read the same}*.

Section 401.5; add a second paragraph to read as follows:

Both ends of each section of medium/high pressure gas piping shall identify its operating gas pressure with an *approved* tag. The tags are to be composed of aluminum or stainless steel and the following wording shall be stamped into the tag:

WARNING
½ to 5 psi gas pressure
Do Not Remove

Section 404.12; change to read as follows:

404.12 Minimum burial depth. Underground piping systems shall be installed a minimum depth of 18 inches (457 mm) measured from top of pipe to adjacent grade.

404.12.1 Delete in its entirety

Section 406.4; change to read as follows:

406.4 Test pressure measurement. Test pressure shall be measured with a monometer or with a diaphragm gauge. The source of pressure shall be isolated before the pressure tests are made. Diaphragm gauges shall have a range such that the highest end of the scale is no greater than five times the test pressure.”

SECTION 4. If any section, article paragraph, sentence, clause, phrase or word in this Ordinance, or application thereto any persons or circumstances is held invalid or unconstitutional

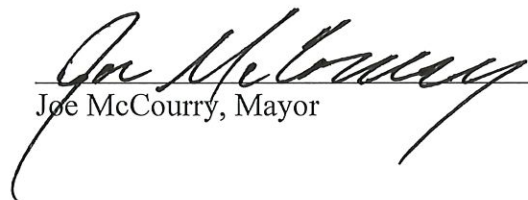
by a Court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance; and the City Council hereby declares it would have passed such remaining portions of this Ordinance despite such invalidity, which remaining portions shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 5. That all provisions of the Ordinances of the City of The Colony, Texas, in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance be, and the same are hereby amended, repealed, and all other provisions of the Ordinances of the City not in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. Any person, firm, or corporation violating any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction in the municipal court of the City of The Colony, Texas, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) for each offense. Every day a violation occurs shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 7. This Ordinance shall become effective from and after its date of passage in accordance with law.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THE COLONY, TEXAS, THIS 5TH day of JANUARY 2021.



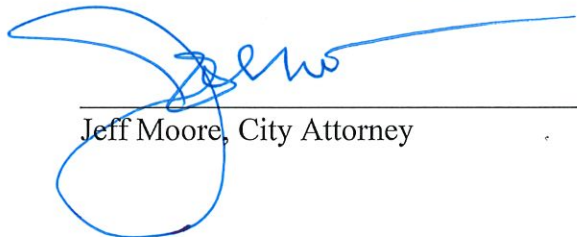
Joe McCourry, Mayor

ATTEST:



Tina Stewart, TRMC, CMC City Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Jeff Moore, City Attorney

