



ORDER OF APPROVAL

TO: Robert W. Thompson, Director
Department of Development & Storm Water Management – Porter County, Indiana

FROM: Douglas J. Boyle, Director of the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission
Indiana Department of Homeland Security

DATE: Friday, January 5, 2018

RE: Order Approving Ordinance No. 2017-23 (Porter County, Indiana)

Pursuant to Indiana Code § 22-13-2-5.5, the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission, at its Wednesday, January 3, 2018 meeting, **APPROVED** the above listed ordinance. Enclosed is the original copy of the ordinance, endorsed by the Chairman of the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission.

EFFECTIVE DATE

Pursuant to Indiana Code § 4-21.5-3-5, this order is effective fifteen (15) days after it is served, unless a petition for review and a petition for stay of effectiveness of this order has been filed.

APPEAL RIGHTS

This order may be appealed in accordance with Indiana Code § 4-21.5-3-7. To qualify for administrative review of this order, you must submit, by U.S. Mail or personal service, a Petition for Review in writing that complies with all of the following requirements:

1. The Petition for Review must state facts demonstrating that you are:
 - a. a person to whom the order is specifically directed;
 - b. aggrieved or adversely affected by the order; or
 - c. entitled to review under any law.

2. The Petition for Review must be filed with the chairperson or secretary of the ultimate authority for the agency issuing the order. If filed by U.S. mail, as opposed to personal service, please address the mailing as follows:

Indiana Department of Homeland Security
Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission
c/o Secretary
302 W. Washington Street, Rm. E-208
Indianapolis, IN 46204

3. The Petition for Review must be filed within fifteen (15) days after you are given notice of this order. Timeliness is computed by the methods described in Indiana Code § 4-21.5-3-2. Generally, the following rules apply, but review I.C. § 4-21.5-3-2 to ensure timeliness for your specific situation.
 - a. If you are served by United States mail, you will have three (3) additional days to petition for review – extending the period to eighteen (18) days – this time period will be calculated from the date the order was deposited in the United States mail.
 - b. In calculating timeliness, the first day is **not** included, but the last day is.
 - c. If the deadline falls on a: (1) Saturday; (2) Sunday; (3) legal holiday under a state statute; or (4) other day that our office is closed, the deadline will be extended until the first day that does not fall on a: (1) Saturday; (2) Sunday; (3) legal holiday under a state statute; or (4) other day that our office is closed.
 - d. The Petition for Review is deemed filed on the date of the postmark on the envelope containing the Petition for Review or the date the Petition for Review is personally delivered to the above address, whichever occurs first.

Please be advised, if a petition for review is granted any person may obtain notices of prehearing conferences, preliminary hearings, hearings, stays, and any orders disposing of the proceedings by sending a request to receive such notices to the address listed in 2, above.

If you comply with these three requirements, your Petition for Review will be granted and will be assigned to an administrative law judge for review. If a Petition for Review is not timely filed, then this order will become final and you must comply with its requirements.

You may also request an opportunity to informally discuss this matter. However, a request to informally discuss, or actual informal discussion, does not extend the deadline for filing your Petition for Review and, consequently, any request should be made promptly, preferably by telephone, upon receipt of the Order. If you have any questions regarding this order, please contact our Legal Department by phone at (317) 234-9515 or by email at jguedel@dhs.in.gov.

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ORDINANCE NO. 17- 23

PORTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING REQUIREMENTS FOR CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTION



WHEREAS, the Porter County Board of Commissioners adopted the Porter County Municipal Code on December 2, 1997 pursuant to Ordinance No. 97-28; and

WHEREAS, the Porter County Board of Commissioners has deemed it necessary to pass a new ordinance to require carbon monoxide detectors in certain new residential construction; and

WHEREAS, the laws and rules of the State of Indiana and the unincorporated areas of Porter County regulate the use and installation of smoke detectors; and

WHEREAS, carbon monoxide poses a threat to the health and safety of citizens within the unincorporated area of Porter County; and

WHEREAS, smoke detectors do not always provide ample warning of the presence of carbon monoxide; and

WHEREAS, It is in the interests of the public health and safety of the residents within the unincorporated area of Porter County to require the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in certain new construction;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED THAT:

1. TITLE 15, Buildings and Construction in the Porter County Municipal Code is hereby amended through the addition of Chapter 15.34 entitled, Ordinance Establishing the Requirements for Carbon Monoxide Detection.
2. That Section 15.34.010 is added to the Porter County Municipal Code to read as follows:

15.34.010 Definition

Carbon Monoxide Detector shall be defined as a device that detects the presence of carbon monoxide (CO) gas and emits an audible alarm of at least eighty-five (85) decibels at ten (10) feet, and such alarm shall be capable of persisting for at least four (4) minutes, and conform to the NFPA 720 Standard for the Installation of Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detection and Warning Equipment.

3. That Section 15.34.020 is added to the Porter County Municipal Code to read as follows:

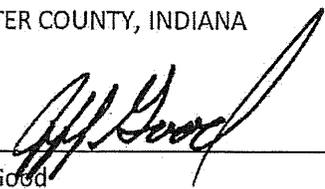
15.34.020 Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirement

Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirement – For all buildings of a Class 2 structure (as defined by I.C. 22-12-1-5, or any subsequent statute) designed for residential use and having a fireplace, attached garage, or fossil fuel burning appliance, and for which a building permit is issued for new construction after the date that this ordinance is in full effect, shall have at least one (1) operational carbon monoxide detector per residential unit. Installation of the carbon monoxide detector shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and recommendations.

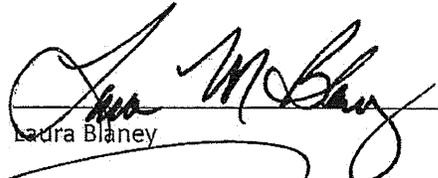
This Ordinance shall be in full effect from and after its adoption, approval by the State Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission, and publication by law.

This Ordinance passed and adopted this 14 day of November, 2017.

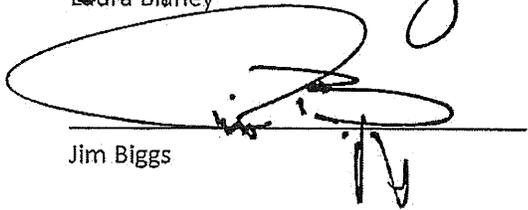
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PORTER COUNTY, INDIANA



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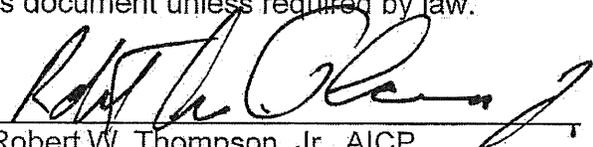
Laura Blaney



Jim Biggs

Attest: Vicki Urbanik
Vicki Urbanik, Auditor

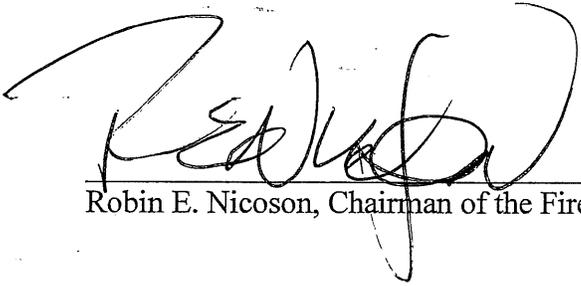
I affirm under the penalties for perjury that I have taken reasonable care to redact each social security number in this document unless required by law.



Robert W. Thompson, Jr., AICP
Director

Department of Development & Storm Water Management

Approved this day, the 3rd of January, 2018, by the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission of the State of Indiana.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Robin E. Nicoson', written over a horizontal line.

Robin E. Nicoson, Chairman of the Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission