

ORDINANCE NO. 5180-25

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER VI OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF NEWTON, KANSAS INCORPORATING INTERNATIONAL EXISTING BUILDING CODE (IEBC), THE DELETIONS AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF NEWTON, KANSAS:

SECTION 1. Chapter VI, Article 1E of the Code of the City of Newton, Kansas, is hereby created and reads as follows:

6-156. International Existing Building Code (IEBC) Incorporated.

There is hereby incorporated by reference for the purpose of providing minimum regulations for the construction, erection, remodeling, alteration, repair or expansion of any building or structure, the "International Existing Building Code," (IEBC) 2024 Edition, including all appendices, prepared and published in book form by the International Code Council, Inc., except such articles, sections, parts or portions as are hereinafter omitted, deleted, modified or changed. Any errata officially published by the International Code Council, Inc., shall become part of the IEBC when placed on file with the City Clerk by City Staff. If any conflict or discrepancy exists between this Article and the referenced IEBC, then the provisions of this Article shall rule. No fewer than two copies of the IEBC shall be marked or stamped "Official Copy as Incorporated by Reference by the Code of the City of Newton, Kansas," with all sections or portions thereof intended to be deleted, changed or amended clearly marked to show such deletion, change or amendment, and to which shall be attached a copy of this Ordinance and filed with the city clerk to be open to inspection and available to the public at all reasonable hours. All administrative departments of the City charged with the enforcement of the ordinance shall be supplied, at the cost of the City, such number of official copies of such IEBC similarly marked, deleted and changed as may be expedient.

6-157. Board of appeals created, duties.

See 6-102 of City Code

6-158. Deletions to the International Existing Building Code.

The following sections and all appendices thereto from the IEBC incorporated by section 6-156 of this Article are hereby deleted:

- 105.1.1 – Annual Permit;
- 105.1.2 – Annual Permit Records;
- 502.6 – Enhanced Classroom Acoustics;
- 503.18 – Enhanced Classroom Acoustics;
- 506.6 – Enhanced Classroom Acoustics;

- 708.1 – Minimum Requirements;
- 809.1 – Minimum Requirements;

6-159. Amendments to the International Existing Building Code.

The following amendments to the IEBC incorporated by section 6-156 of this Article are hereby adopted:

(a) [A] 101.4.2 Buildings previously occupied.

The legal occupancy of any building existing on the date of adoption of this code shall be permitted to continue without change, except as is specifically covered in this code, the International Fire Code, , or as is deemed necessary by the code official for the general safety and welfare of the occupants and the public.

(b) [A] 103.3 Deputies.

In accordance with the prescribed procedures of this jurisdiction and with the concurrence of the appointing authority, the code official shall have the authority to appoint other related technical officers, inspectors, plan examiner(s) and other employees having powers as delegated by the Building Official.

(c) [A] 105.2 Work exempt from permit.

Exemptions from permit requirements of this Code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this Code or any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction. Permits shall not be required for the following:

Building:

1. Sidewalks and driveways not more than 30 inches (762 mm) above grade and not over any basement or story below. This exemption does not include sidewalks in the city ROW.
2. Painting, papering, tiling, carpeting, cabinets, counter tops and similar finish work.
3. Temporary motion picture, television, and theater stage sets and scenery.
4. Fabric awnings supported by an exterior wall that do not project more than 36 inches (915 mm) from the exterior wall and do not require additional support. This exemption shall only apply to R and U occupancies.
5. Non-fixed and movable cases, counters and partitions not over 5 feet 9 inches (1753 mm) in height.

6. Accessory structure less than 200 Square Foot. All Structure larger than 100 Square Foot shall be tied down to earth using anchoring.
7. Playhouses or tree houses having single or multi-level floors with or without roofs. less than 200 Square Foot. Any playhouse larger than 100 square feet shall be tied down to the earth using anchoring.
8. Concrete or masonry fences not over 48 inches or 4 foot in height measured from the lowest point of the adjoining grade and other fences not over 6 feet (1524 mm) high, unless the fence encloses an outdoor seating area.
9. Oil derricks.
10. Retaining walls that are not over 48 inches (1219.2 mm) in height measured from the lowest point of the adjoining grade to the top of the wall, unless they support a surcharge or impounding Class I, II, or IIIA liquids.
11. Water tanks supported directly on grade if the capacity is not greater than 5,000 gallons (18,925 L) and the ratio of height to diameter or width is not greater than 2:1.
12. Prefabricated swimming pools that are less than 24 inches deep, are not greater than 5,000 gallons (18,925 L), and are installed entirely above ground.
13. Swings and other playground equipment.
14. Interior platforms not over 200 square feet (19 m²) in area, nor more than 30 inches (762 mm) above the adjacent floor, within Type III and V construction only.
15. Exterior decks, curb ramps [maximum 6 inches (153 mm) vertical rise], stoops and porches not more 30 inches (762 mm) above grade without overhead structures and not over any basement or story below.
16. Emergency board-up or securing of a building and installing temporary bracing after a fire, storm, vehicle damage or other disaster, which cause the building to be open or unsafe. The building owner or their agent may cause such work to be done provided the Building Official is notified on or before the following business day.
17. Repair or replacement of roofing or siding materials. Not exceeding 50% of a single plane of the structure.
18. Paving concrete in areas not used for the purpose of parking or storage.

19. Replacement of windows or doors or replacement of roof skylights or equipment with the same size or smaller unit(s) that does not involve the removal, cutting, alteration or replacement of any building structural member, including but not limited to studs, headers, girders, beams, joists, rafters, cripples, jacks or other supportive framing members. The framing used to infill existing openings for the purpose of installing smaller unit(s) shall be exempt from permit requirements. Placement of smaller windows or doors shall not reduce the minimum size requirements of escape and rescue openings, or egress door(s), or fire department access required by this Code. The replacement door or window shall not be of a lower fire rating than the original assembly, unless a lower fire rating is allowed by this Code.

Electrical:

1. Repairs and maintenance: Minor repair work, including the replacement of lamps or the connection of approved portable electrical equipment to approved permanently installed receptacles.
2. Radio and television transmitting stations: The provisions of this Code shall not apply to electrical equipment used for radio and television transmissions, but do apply to equipment and wiring for power supply, the installations of towers and antennas.
3. Temporary testing systems: A permit shall not be required for the installation of any temporary system required for the testing or servicing of electrical equipment or apparatus.

Gas:

1. Portable heating appliances.
2. Replacement of any minor part that does not alter approval of equipment or make such equipment unsafe.

Mechanical:

1. Portable heating appliances.
2. Portable ventilation equipment.
3. Portable cooling units.
4. Steam, hot or chilled water piping within any heating or cooling equipment regulated by this Code.

5. Replacement of any part that does not alter its approval or make it unsafe.
6. Portable evaporative coolers.
7. Self-contained refrigeration system containing 10 pounds (4.54 kg) or less of refrigerant and actuated by motors of 1 horsepower (746 W) or less.

Plumbing:

1. The stopping of leaks in drains, water, soil, waste or vent pipe; provided, however, that if any concealed trap, drainpipe, water, soil, waste or vent pipe becomes defective and it becomes necessary to remove and replace the same with new material, such work shall be considered as new work, and a permit shall be obtained and inspection made as provided in this Code.
2. The clearing of stoppages or the repairing of leaks in pipes, valves or fixtures, and the removal and reinstallation of water closets, provided that such repairs do not involve or require the replacement or rearrangement of valves, pipes or fixtures.

(d) [A] 105.2.1 Emergency repairs.

Where repairs must be performed in an emergency situation, the permit application shall be submitted within the next working business day to the Building Official.

(e) [A] 105.2.2 Repairs.

Application or notice to the Building Official is not required for repairs to structures and items listed in Section 105.2 provided that such repairs do not include any of the following:

1. The removal or cutting of any structural beam or load-bearing support.
2. The removal or change of any required means of egress or rearrangement of parts of a structure affecting the egress requirements.
3. Any addition to, alteration of, replacement or relocation of any standpipe, water supply, sewer, drainage, drain leader, gas, soil, waste, vent or similar piping, or electrical wiring.
4. Mechanical or other work affecting public health or general safety.

(f) [A] 105.3.2 Time limitation of application.

An application for a permit for any proposed work shall be deemed to have been abandoned when the Code used for the project design is no longer in effect,, unless such application has been pursued in good faith or a permit has been issued; except that the Building Official is authorized to grant a permit one time for additional periods not exceeding 180 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

(g) [A] 105.5 Expiration.

Every permit issued shall become expired unless the work on the site authorized by such permit commences within 180 days after its issuance, or if the work authorized on the site by such permit is suspended or abandoned for a period of 180 days after the time the work is commenced. Work shall be considered to have been suspended or abandoned if it has been more than 180 days since the last requested inspection. Before work can be recommended, the permit must be reinstated. The fee for the reinstatement shall be one-half the amount required for a new permit for such work provided that no changes have been made or will be made to the original plans and specifications for such work, and that such suspension or abandonment has not exceeded one year. In order to resume work after suspension or abandonment for a period of one year, a new permit shall be required.

The Building Official is authorized to grant one or more extensions of time for periods not more than 180 days each. The extension shall be requested in writing and justifiable cause demonstrated.

(h) [A] 105.7 Placement of permit.

Work requiring a permit shall not be commenced until the permit holder or an agent of the permit holder has posted or has made available on inspection record card such as to allow the Building Official to conveniently make the required entries thereon regarding inspection of the work. This card shall be maintained and made available by the permit holder until final approval has been granted by the Building Official.

(i) [A] 108.2 Schedule of permit fees.

Where a permit is required, a fee for each permit shall be paid as required, in accordance with the schedule as established by Chapter VI Building and Construction Code of the City of Newton, Kansas.

(j) [A] 108.6 Refunds.

The Building Official may authorize a refund of any fee paid hereunder, which was erroneously paid or collected.

(k) [A] **110.2 Certificate issued.**

After the Building Official inspects the structure and does not find violations of the provisions of this Code or other laws that are enforced by the department, the Building Official shall issue a certificate of occupancy that contains the following:

1. The permit number.
2. The address of the structure
3. Zoning.
4. Code Cycle
5. Use
6. Building area affected
7. Property owner

(l) **202 General Definitions.**

[A] CODE OFFICIAL. The officer or other designated authority charged with the administration and enforcement of this code, referred to in the Newton City Code as Building Official, Fire Code Official, or their designated agents or representatives.

(m) **303.2 Addition to a Group E occupancy.**

Where an addition is added to an existing Group E occupancy located in an area where the shelter design wind speed for tornados is 250 mph (402.3 km/h) in accordance with Figure 304.2(1) of ICC 500 and the occupant load in the addition is 50 or more, the addition shall have a storm shelter constructed in accordance with ICC 500.

Exceptions:

1. Group E day care facilities.
2. Group E occupancies accessory to places of religious worship.
3. Additions meeting the requirements for shelter design in ICC 500.

4. Existing buildings or storm shelters meeting the structural requirements of Chapter 3 of the 2008 ICC NSSA Standard for the Design and Construction of Storm Shelters (ICC 500). The above shall be verified by a registered design professional (structural engineer) licensed in the State of Kansas.

(n) **[BS] 304.2 Snow loads on adjacent buildings.**

Where an alteration or addition changes the potential snow drift effects on an adjacent building, Section 7.12 of ASCE 7 shall apply.

(o) **306.3 Design.**

Buildings and facilities shall be designed and constructed and constructed to be accessible in accordance with this Code and the alteration and existing building provisions in the current guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) and/or ICC A117.1 as well as any applicable code requirements of the International Building Code or International Residential Code.

(p) **306.7 Alterations.**

A facility that is altered shall comply with the applicable provisions the current guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) and/or ICC A117.1 as well as any applicable code requirements if the International Building Code or International Residential Code. and the provisions of Sections 306.7.1 through 306.7.18, unless technically infeasible. Where compliance with this section is technically infeasible, the alteration shall provide access to the maximum extent technically feasible.

(q) **306.7.1 Alterations affecting an area containing a primary function.**

Where an alteration affects the accessibility to, or contains an area of primary function, the route to the primary function area shall be accessible. Toilet facilities and drinking fountains serving the area of primary function, including the route from the area of primary function to these facilities, shall be accessible. Priority shall be given to the improvements affecting the accessible route to the primary function area.

Exceptions:

1. The cumulative costs of providing the accessible route, toilet facilities, and drinking fountains are not required to exceed 20 percent of the costs of the alternations affecting the area of primary function.
2. This provision does not apply to alternations limited solely to windows, hardware, operating controls, electrical outlets and signs.

3. This provision does not apply to alterations limited solely to mechanical systems, electrical systems, installation or alteration of fire protection systems and abatement of hazardous materials.
4. This provision does not apply to alterations undertaken for the primary purpose of increasing the accessibility of a facility.

(r) **306.7.5 Entrances.**

Where an alteration includes alterations to an entrance that is not accessible, and the facility has an accessible entrance, the altered entrance is not required to be accessible unless required by Section 306.7.1. Signs complying with the current guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) and/or ICC A117.1 as well as any applicable code requirements of the International Building Code (e.g. IBC 1112) or International Residential Code.

(s) **306.7.10 Stairways and escalators in existing buildings.**

Where an escalator or stairway is added where none existed previously and major structural modifications are necessary for installation, an accessible route complying current guidelines of the Americans with Disabilities Act (“ADA”) and/or ICC A117.1 as well as any applicable code requirements if the International Building Code or International Residential Code is required between levels served by such escalator or stairways.

(t) **[BS] 405.1.2 Repairs for substantial structural damage.**

Repairs for substantial structural damage that is caused by a load not defined or required by Chapter 16 of the International Building Code (such as fire, explosion, deterioration, impact, debris, etc.), loads applied to a structure that exceed 150 percent of the code defined design load, or combination thereof may be repaired as less than substantial structural damage per Section 405.2.3 provided all of the following occur:

1. The damaged area is less than 75 percent of the roof or any floor’s occupied area, the lateral system of the building in any one direction is damaged less than 75 percent, and the damage to the overall structure is less than 50 percent of the composite building.
2. The damaged area has not caused deflection in floor or roof framing that, if repaired to its pre-damage state, will exceed the serviceability requirements noted in Section 1604.3 of the International Building Code.
3. A registered design professional shall establish that the damaged construction, if repaired to its pre- damage state, along with existing construction to remain is not determined as to be an unsafe condition.

(u) **[BE] 504.1.3 New fire escapes.**

New fire escapes for existing buildings shall be permitted only where exterior stairways cannot be utilized because of lot lines limiting stairway size or because of sidewalks, alleys or roads at grade level. New fire escapes shall not incorporate ladders or access by windows. Occupants shall have unobstructed access to the fire escape without having to pass through a room subject to locking.

(v) **[BE] 504.3 Construction.**

The fire escape shall be designed to support a live load of 100 pounds per square foot (4788 Pa) and shall be constructed of steel or other approved noncombustible materials. Fire escapes constructed of wood not less than nominal 2 inches (51 mm) thick are permitted on buildings of Type V construction. Walkways and railings located over or supported by combustible roofs in buildings of Type III and IV construction are permitted to be of wood not less than nominal 2 inches (51 mm) thick. Fire escapes shall extend to the roof or provide an approved gooseneck ladder between top floor landing and the roof in buildings four or more stories in height having roofs with a slope not exceeding 4 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (33.3 percent slope). Such ladders shall be designed and connected to the building to withstand a horizontal force of 100 pounds per lineal foot (141459 N/m). Each rung shall support a concentrated load of 500 pounds (2224 N) placed anywhere on the rung to produce the maximum stress conditions. All ladders shall be at least 15 inches (381 mm) in clear width, be located within 12 inches (305 mm) of the building and shall be placed flatwise to the face of the building. Ladder rungs shall be at least ¾-inch (19 mm) in diameter and shall be located 10 inches to 12 inches (254 mm to 305 mm) on center. Openings for roof access ladders through cornices and similar projects shall have minimum dimensions of 30 inches by 33 inches (762 mm by 838 mm). The fire escape shall have clearance from electrical service conductors as required by the National Electrical Code.

(w) **[BE] 504.4 Dimensions**

Stairways shall be not less than 22 inches (559 mm) wide with risers not more than, and treads not less than, 8 inches (203 mm) and landings at the foot of stairways not less than 40 inches (1016 mm) wide by 36 inches (914 mm) long, located not more than 8 inches (203 mm) below the door.

Exception: Any modifications to an existing guard on a stairway or landing of an existing fire escape shall be approved by the Building Official or a duly authorized representative.

(x) **601.2 Work area.**

The work area, as defined in Chapter 2, shall be identified in the construction documents. The architect of record shall specify the percentage of area, by floor, that constitutes work area. Reconfiguration of floor area shall be the removal, relocation or construction of new walls or building elements within a tenant area of building. Work area calculations shall include the rooms or spaces and areas directly adjacent to where reconfiguration is planned.

Exception: The area of the entire room or space does not need to be included within the work area calculation where the following conditions are met:

1. The area within 10 feet (3049 mm) of the reconfiguration (perimeter calculation) is less than 25 percent of the room or space, and
2. The occupancy of the area has not changed, and
3. The reconfiguration does not affect the existing exits from the room or space.

(y) **702.7 Materials and methods.**

New work shall comply with the materials and methods requirements in the International Building Code , International Energy Conservation Code, International Mechanical Code and International Plumbing Code, as applicable, that specify material standards, detail of installation and connection, joints, penetrations and continuity of any element, component or system in the building.

Exception: Where building separation is required by the adopted electrical code to allow for multiple electrical services, a fire wall may be constructed in accordance with the provisions of a two-hour fire barrier per the International Building Code. If the fire wall coincides with that of a required fire barrier, then the most restrictive requirement shall apply. For allowable area purposes, the building is considered as one structure with no benefit derived from the fire wall.

(z) **804.5.1.2.2 Construction**

The fire escape shall be designed to support a live load of 100 pounds per square foot (4788 Pa) and shall be constructed of steel or other approved noncombustible materials. Fire escapes constructed of wood not less than nominal 2 inches (51 mm) thick are permitted on buildings of Type V construction. Walkways and railings located over or supported by combustible roofs in buildings of Type III and IV construction are permitted to be of wood not less than nominal 2 inches (51 mm) thick. Fire escapes shall extend to the roof or provide an approved gooseneck ladder between top floor landing and the roof in buildings four or more stories in height having roofs with a slope not exceeding 4 units vertical in 12 units horizontal (33.3 percent slope). Such ladders shall be designed and connected to the building to withstand a horizontal force of 100 pounds per lineal foot (141459 N/m). Each rung shall support a concentrated load of 500 pounds (2224 N) placed anywhere on the

rung to produce the maximum stress conditions. All ladders shall be at least 15 inches (381 mm) in clear width, be located within 12 inches (305 mm) of the building and shall be placed flatwise to the face of the building. Ladder rungs shall be at least ¾-inch (19 mm) in diameter and shall be located 10 inches to 12 inches (254 mm to 305 mm) on center. Openings for roof access ladders through cornices and similar projects shall have minimum dimensions of 30 inches by 33 inches (762 mm by 838 mm). The fire escape shall have a clearance from electrical service conductors as required by the National Electrical Code.

(aa) **804.5.1.2.3 Dimensions.**

Stairways shall be not less than 22 inches (559 mm) wide with risers not more than, and treads not less than, 8 inches (203 mm). Landings at the foot of stairways shall be not less than 40 inches (1016 mm) wide by 36 inches (914 mm) long and located not more than 8 inches (203 mm) below the door.

Exception: Any modifications to an existing guard on a stairway or landing of an existing fire escape shall be approved by the Building Official or a duly authorized representative.

(bb) **804.6.4 Panic and fire exit hardware.**

In any work area, and in the egress path from any work area to the exit discharge, in buildings or portions thereof of Group A assembly occupancies with an occupant load greater than 49, all required exit doors equipped with latching devices shall be equipped with approved panic or fire exit hardware in accordance with Section 1010.2.9 of the International Building Code.

(cc) **804.11 Stairways.**

Stairways shall comply with all the following requirements:

1. Newly constructed stairways shall comply with the requirements of Section 1011 of the International Building Code.
2. Existing winding or spiral stairways in any work area may serve as part of the means of egress from a building, including single exit buildings complying with 804.5.1.1, for a maximum occupant load of 10, provided that a complying handrail is located at the stairways outside perimeter. A winding or spiral stairway may not be the principal means of egress when used in conjunction with a fire escape as second means of egress. Means of egress width shall comply with Section 1011 of the International Building Code. Circular stairways complying with Section 1011 of the International Building Code shall be acceptable as a means of egress.

3. An alteration or the replacement of an existing stairway shall not be required to comply with the requirements of a new stairway as outlined in Section 1011 of the International Building Code where the existing space and construction will not allow a reduction in pitch or slope.
4. The largest tread run within any flight of stairway shall not exceed the smallest by more than 3/8-inch (9.5 mm), nor be less than 10 inches (254 mm) in width. The greatest riser height within any flight of stairway shall not exceed the smallest by more than 3/8-inch (9.5 mm), nor be less than 4 inches (102 mm) in height. The maximum riser height shall not exceed 7 ½ inches (191 mm) in height.

Exceptions:

1. In Group R-3 occupancies, stairways may have a minimum tread run of 9 inches (229 mm) and a maximum riser of 8 inches (203 mm) in height.
2. Existing stairways serving an occupant load of 10 or less may have a minimum tread run of 9 inches (229 mm) in width and a maximum riser of 8 inches (203 mm) in height.
3. Existing stairways serving an occupant load of 10 or less may have a minimum width of 30 inches (763 mm). Stairways serving an occupant load of 11 or more, but not more than 50, may be 36 inches (915 mm) in width. Stairways serving occupant loads of over 50 shall comply with Section 1011 of the International Building Code.

(dd) **806.4.1 Enclosed areas.**

Enclosed areas, other than closets, kitchens, basements, garages, hallways, laundry areas, utility areas, storage areas and bathrooms shall have not fewer than two duplex receptacle outlets and one ceiling or wall-type lighting outlet.

(ee) **903.2.1 Separation required.**

Where the work area is in any attached dwelling unit in Group R-3 or any multiple single-family dwelling (townhouse), walls separating the dwelling units that are not continuous from the foundation to the underside of the roof sheathing shall be constructed to provide a continuous fire separation using construction materials consistent with the existing wall or complying with the requirements for new structures. Work shall be performed on the side of the dwelling unit wall that is part of the work area.

Exception: Where alterations or repairs do not result in the removal of wall or ceiling finishes exposing the structure, walls are not required to be continuous through concealed floor spaces.

Where the work area is adjacent to a different occupancy group, then separation of the occupancy groups by means of an approved fire barrier shall be in accordance with the International Building Code.

Exceptions:

1. The required separation between a Group R-3 and an accessory garage for the storage of private or pleasure-type motor vehicles where no repair work is done or fuel dispensed may be built in conformance Sections 406.3.2.1 and 406.3.2.2 of the International Building Code.
2. The required separation between a Group R-3 and a Group B, M or S-2 parking garage of 5,000 square feet (464 m²) or less shall be protected with a fire barrier of not less than one-hour fire-resistant construction.

(ff) 1102.2 Area limitations.

An addition shall not increase the area of an existing building beyond that permitted under the applicable provisions of Chapter 5 of the International Building Code for new buildings unless fire separation as required by the International Building Code is provided.

Exceptions:

1. In-filling of floor openings and non-occupiable appendages such as elevator and exit stairway shafts shall be permitted beyond that permitted by the International Building Code.
2. Allowable area expansion rights up to and including an additional 10 percent area increase which would have been allowed under the code when the building was constructed, will be permissible without approval from the Building Official, subject to the fire area limitations of Section 1102.3 of this Code.

(gg) 1401.2 Conformance

The building shall be safe for human occupancy as determined by the International Fire Code, International Property Maintenance Code, International Building Code, and International Residential Code. Any repair, alteration or change of occupancy undertaken within the moved structure shall comply with the requirements of this Code applicable to the work being performed. Any field-fabricated elements shall comply with the requirements of the International Building Code or the International Residential Code as applicable.

(hh) 1504.1.1 Walkways

A walkway shall be provided for pedestrian travel in front of every construction and demolition site unless the applicable governing authority authorizes the sidewalk to be fenced or closed. A walkway shall be provided for pedestrian travel that leads from a building entrance or exit of an occupied structure to a public way. Walkways shall be of sufficient width to accommodate the pedestrian traffic, but shall be not less than 4 feet (1219 mm) in width. Walkways shall be provided with a durable walking surface and shall be accessible in accordance with Chapter 11 of the International Building Code. Walkways shall be designed to support all imposed loads and the design live load shall be not less than 150 pounds per square foot (psf) (7.2 kN/m²).

Exception: The walkway is not required when there is not an existing sidewalk or one planned for that location.

6-160. Additional amendments International Existing Building Code.

The IEBC is further hereby amended such that any references therein to the International Electrical Code and the International Plumbing Code are hereby amended to refer instead, respectively, to the National Electrical Code incorporated by Section 6-202 of this Chapter and to the International Plumbing Code incorporated by Section 6-301 to this Chapter, respectively. If any such references to the International Electrical Code or to the International Plumbing Code are to specific sections thereof, the building official shall determine what the appropriate corresponding reference is to the provisions of the National Electrical Code of the International Plumbing Code.

6-161. Building permits required.

See 6-113 of the City Code.

6-162. Application for permit.

See 6-114 of the City Code.

6-163. Same; alternate procedure.

See 6-114a of the City Code.

6-164. Same; phase I, site work.

See 6-114a1 of the City Code.

6-165. Same; phase II, footing, foundation, structural frame and bearing walls.

See 6-114a2 of the City Code.

6-166. Same; phase III, completion of project.

See 6-114a3 of the City Code.

6-167. Plot diagram.

See 6-115 of the City Code.

6-168. Fee and violation schedule.

See 6-116 of the City Code.

6-169. Same; new construction, additions to existing buildings and building repairs and alterations.

See 6-116.1 of the City Code.

6-170. Same; wrecking permits.

See 6-116.2 of the City Code.

6-171. Same; mechanical equipment.

See 6-116.3 of the City Code.

6-172. Substantiation of valuation; exemption.

See 6-117 of the City Code.

6-173. Contractor defined.

See 6-118 of the City Code.

6-174. Responsibility.

See 6-119 of the City Code.

6-175. License required.

See 6-120 of the City Code.

6-176. Licensing renewal.

See 6-121 of the City Code.

6-177. Class A license.

See 6-122 of the City Code.

6-178. Class B license.

See 6-123 of the City Code.

6-179. Class C license.

See 6-124 of the City Code.

6-180. Class D license.

See 6-125 of the City Code.

6-181. Wrecking contractor's license.

See 6-126 of the City Code.

6-182. Insurance required.

See 6-126a of the City Code.

6-183. Examination of contractors.

See 6-128 of the City Code.

6-184. License approval and issuance.

See 6-129 of the City Code.

6-185. Revocation of license.

See 6-130 of the City Code.

6-186. Exemptions.

See 6-132 of the City Code.

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in THE NEWTON KANSAN, the official newspaper of said City.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of August 2025.



Rich Stinnett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Denise R. Duerksen, City Clerk