

O-2026-15

AN ORDINANCE

AMENDING LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 14.01
TO INCORPORATE CHAPTER 14.31 OF THE LAKEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE
INTO THE “LAKEWOOD BUILDING CODE”

WHEREAS, the City of Lakewood, Colorado, the “City,” previously adopted Chapter 14.01 of the Lakewood Municipal Code (L.M.C.) relating to administrative provisions for Title 14 of the L.M.C.;

WHEREAS, L.M.C. section 14.01.010 identifies which Chapters of Title 14 of the L.M.C. may be cited as the “Lakewood Building Code” or the “Building Code;”

WHEREAS, the Lakewood City Council has adopted Chapter 14.31 of the L.M.C. as the City of Lakewood Wildfire Resiliency Code;

WHEREAS, L.M.C. section 14.10.010 does not include L.M.C. Chapter 14.31 as one of the Chapters that may be cited as the “Lakewood Building Code” or the “Building Code;”

WHEREAS, City staff desires to amend L.M.C. section 14.01.010 to include L.M.C. Chapter 14.31 as one of the Chapters to be cited as the “Lakewood Building Code” or the “Building Code.”

WHEREAS, the Board of Appeals was established by L.M.C. section 12.12.010 and is charged with reviewing proposed additions, changes, or amendments to the City’s building codes and with making recommendations to the City Council with respect to the adoption thereof;

WHEREAS, the Board of Appeals has reviewed, considered, and recommended for adoption, amendments to Chapter 14.01 of the Lakewood Municipal Code to include Chapter 14.01 as one of the Chapters that may be cited as the “Lakewood Building Code” or the “Building Code;”

WHEREAS, approval of this ordinance on first reading is intended only to confirm that the City Council desires to comply with the City’s Charter by setting a public hearing to provide City staff and the public the opportunity to present evidence and testimony regarding the proposal; and

WHEREAS, approval of this ordinance on first reading does not constitute a representation that the City Council, or any member of the City Council, supports, approves, rejects or denies the proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Lakewood, Colorado, that:

SECTION 1. Chapter 14.01.010 of the Lakewood Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows:

14.01.010 Citation.

This Title 14, Chapters 14.01 through 14.12, 14.24, and 14.31, including all codes herein adopted, as amended or modified, may be cited as the “Lakewood Building Code” or the “Building Code.”

SECTION 2. This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after final publication.

SECTION 3. If any provision of this Ordinance is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the remaining portions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid portion, provided that such remaining portions or application of this Ordinance are not determined by the court to be inoperable.

I hereby attest and certify that the within and foregoing ordinance was introduced and read on first reading at a hybrid regular meeting of the Lakewood City Council on the 13th day of April 2026; published by title in the Denver Post and in full on the City of Lakewood’s website at www.lakewood.org on the 16th day of April, 2026; set for public hearing to be held on the 27th day of April, 2026; read, finally passed and adopted by the City Council on the 27th day of April, 2026; and signed by the Mayor on the ___ day of April, 2026.

Wendi Strom, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jay Robb, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Alison McKenney Brown, City Attorney