

Proposed Ordinance  
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**Amending Title 5, Chapter 87 of the Minneapolis Code of Ordinances relating to Building Code: Administration and Enforcement.**

The City Council of The City of Minneapolis do ordain as follows:

Section 1. That Section 87.300 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**87.300. Building code board of appeals created.** In order to provide a forum for determining the suitability of alternate materials and methods of construction, to provide for the final interpretation of the provisions of the state building code which is established pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 16B.59--16B.73, and to perform such other duties as may be assigned to it by the city council, a building code board of appeals is hereby created. The board shall consist of five (5) members, all of whom are to be appointed by the city council, and who shall serve for a term of three (3) years. However, all members shall continue in office until their successors are appointed. Appointments shall be made after solicitation of nominees from the following groups:

- (1) One member shall be a registered engineer;
- (2) One member shall be a registered architect;
- (3) One member shall be a contractor who is a member of the Association of General Contractors;
- (4) One member shall be a member of the community at large who possesses applicable experience and training;
- (5) One member shall be a building official from a neighboring community. The director of inspections or the director's designee will act as secretary to the board and serve in a nonvoting capacity. Board members shall be compensated fifty dollars (\$50.00) per meeting attended, not to exceed twelve (12) meetings per year. The board shall adopt its own rules for procedure which are not in conflict with applicable state statutes, and shall select officers as it deems necessary.

Section 2. That Section 87.310 of the above-entitled ordinance be amended to read as follows:

**87.310. Duties and responsibilities of the board.** The building code board of appeals shall hear and act upon all appeals as generally set forth in section 87.300 above. The board may modify, sustain, or quash all or any portion of any order, interpretation, requirement, decision, or other determination made by the director of inspections or the director's authorized representative in matters relative only to the suitability of alternate materials, methods of construction, and to the interpretation of the state building code. The board may not grant exceptions to the code or act on other unrelated appeals. The board shall hear appeals from rainleader disconnection time extension requests as specifically provided in Section 56.160 of this Code. The board shall hear appeals from rainleader disconnection time extension requests as specifically provided in section 56.160 of this Code.