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To whom it may concern,

The lack of new home permit approvals YTD 2024, and since October 1, 2024, as absurd. The problem revolves around new 2021 codes and the challenges of understanding it. Many alternatives have been presented to The City Planning Department and there seems to be no interest in working with builders and developers to adjust the current method of approval. I am an insulation sub-contractor happy to testify that the new codes are counter productive to Affordable Housing. Although acceptable to the wealthier households, the mid and lower income households can't afford these changes. What is appalling to me is that there is an easy fix if the department would just allow some alternates that will achieve the same outcome the code was written to achieve. Better energy efficiency.

Let's take the political gridlock out off the agenda and get something done! Maybe KCMO can recover the lost building permits, lost tax revenue, and horrific reputation as the worst city in the metro to do new home construction.

Thank you,

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