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This letter is in reference to the proposed ordinance number 240434.

I do not agree with the proposed ordinance, nor do I think KCMO should amend the newly adopted IECC after a brief period of time. KCMO is ahead of the curve on this one, and if amended, the city will only find themselves reverting the amendment back to the original fully adopted IECC. The problem KCMO is currently having with building permits isn't an IECC issue, I believe this is a builder and city planning communication issue.

The permittees were somewhat left in the dark, not knowing how to submit new permits since the adopted IECC and not knowing what the city would be looking for during their plan review. With the template we have in place, if followed, I don't think any permittee should have issues obtaining a permit if the planning department and plan reviewers are consistent on what to look for.

The builder being able to work with an energy auditor and having the ability to choose the performance path gives the builder flexibility and options on what to include or modify what goes into that build to be IECC compliant.

If IECC is amended it'll put the builders who have done the work and put forth the effort to comply with the new IECC at a disadvantage, we will be lowering our standards of an energy efficient home compared to what they were prior to the IECC adoption.

Our current cost on a 3000 SF home under the IECC is currently just over 13k, which is substantially less than what builders were anticipating. We currently have a build job being built under the new IECC and our allowance to the buyer was 18k, I am anticipating at least a 4k credit back to those buyers if not more

That same house is supposed to be saving over \$2500 annually on utility cost per the HERS projection so in just over 5 years that investment will have been paid for, and thereafter will be pure monthly savings to the buyer.

Another backlash of entertaining this amendment would be for the buyers that were forced to build under the IECC requirements and had to pay more for the construction of their home, versus the buyers who paid less either prior IECC or post IECC amendment.

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