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Subject: Public Comment on Ord. 220364: Adopt the 2021 IECC + Decarbonization Overlay Language

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Greetings.

To support Kansas City's goal to take bold climate action, please adopt the 2021 IECC + Decarbonization Overlay.

This will support a more competitive and thriving building industry for workers. Several local experts have testified before KCMO on this legislation noting the job training opportunities already happening to prepare our workers to use stronger energy codes to build more quality homes and buildings. This will attract more residents and businesses to Kansas City who are looking to live and work in a city that invests in the quality of its built environment and the health of its community.

Residents from across the city of Kansas City, MO and the metro area have repeatedly called upon the City Council to take bold action to decarbonize our built environment and adopt strategies that will protect the health, both physical and financial, of their families, friends and neighbors while ensuring that our community is protected against impacts of climate change. Adopting the 2021 IECC with a decarbonization overlay achieves just that.

Building decarbonization has been highlighted as a key implementation strategy in KCMO's Climate Protection & Resiliency Plan, and the passage of this ordinance will be the city's first opportunity to deliver on a key promise to protect Kansas Citians' health and well-being for years to come. Kansas Citians, like most Americans, understand the urgency of tackling climate change locally and nationally, and they want their leaders to act accordingly.

Thank you for your consideration!

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