



STATE OF TENNESSEE
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND INSURANCE
DIVISION OF FIRE PREVENTION
CONTRACT INSPECTION SERVICES SECTION
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Sept. 2, 2014

City of Franklin Building Dept.
Building Code Enforcement
109 3rd. Ave. So Ste. 110
Franklin, TN. 37064

Dear Code Enforcement Official:

Pursuant to Tennessee rules and regulations, Chapter 0780-02-23-.12(4)(a), which became effective on June 25, 2010, the State Fire Marshal's Office is required to "conduct a review . . . of local government's authorization to conduct building inspections to determine whether the local government is adequately enforcing the adopted building codes and is properly performing inspections." Furthermore, Chapter 0780-02-23-.12 (4)(a)(4)(c)1 requires that your office be notified in writing of this review. Please accept this letter as a preliminary review of the material submitted by your office.

The audit findings for your jurisdiction are as follows:

- Your jurisdiction did not provide an Ordinance adopting the International Residential Code (IRC).
- Your jurisdiction did not provide an Ordinance adopting the International Residential Code (IRC) that is within seven (7) years of the latest published code (2015).
- Your jurisdiction has an inspector or inspectors that are not certified in appropriate disciplines.
- Information provided shows Townhouses are not sprinkled as required by the state.

Inspectors are required to be certified as follows:

Residential Building and Commercial Building to be certified as a Building Inspector
Residential Plumbing and Commercial Plumbing to be certified as Plumbing Inspector
Residential Mechanical and Commercial Mechanical to be certified as Mechanical Inspector

We ask that you review the findings and submit a plan of corrective action within ten (30) days of your receipt of this letter. Per Chapter 0780-02-23-.12 (4)(a)(b) and (c), after we have received and reviewed your documentation and it is found unacceptable, this office will notify you of our intended action.

If you have any questions or concerns about this review process, please contact Jerry Humphrey at (615) 532-8361 or at jerry.humphrey@tn.gov

Sincerely,



Gary Farley
Director, Contract Inspection Services Section

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Enclosure

cc: Gary L. West, Assistant Commissioner, Fire Prevention Division
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