

**CITY OF BRIDGMAN
COUNTY OF BERRIEN, STATE OF MICHIGAN
ORDINANCE NO. 2018-202**

**AN ORDINANCE TO ADOPT THE INTERNATIONAL
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE BY REFERENCE**

Motion made by Council Member Catania and supported by Council Member High:

An ordinance of the City of Bridgman adopting by reference the *International Property Maintenance Code*, with all current amendments, additions, or deletions except as provided herein; regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such existing structures in the City; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefor; and repealing and all other ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict therewith.

THE CITY OF BRIDGMAN ORDAINS:

Section 1. That a certain document, copies of which are on file in the office of the City Clerk, being marked and designated as the 2018 *International Property Maintenance Code*, as may be amended, deleted, with additions, as published by the International Code Council, be and is hereby adopted as the Property Maintenance Code of the City of Bridgman, in the State of Michigan for regulating and governing the conditions and maintenance of all property, buildings and structures; by providing the standards for supplied utilities and facilities and other physical things and conditions essential to ensure that structures are safe, sanitary and fit for occupation and use; and the condemnation of buildings and structures unfit for human occupancy and use, and the demolition of such existing structures as herein provided; providing for the issuance of permits and collection of fees therefore; and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said Property Maintenance Code on file in the office of the are hereby referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof, as if fully set out in this ordinance, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 2 of this ordinance.

Section 2. The following sections are hereby revised:

Section 101.1. These regulations shall be known as the International Property Maintenance Code of the City of Bridgman, hereinafter referred to as “this code”.

Section 103.5. The fees for activities and services performed by the department in carrying out its responsibilities under this code shall be assessed per the fee schedule adopted by the City Council by resolution.

Section 112.4. **Failure to comply.** Any person who shall continue any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable for a civil infraction and a fine of not less than Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250.00). Further, the City may take any action and elect any remedy either at law or in equity as it deems necessary to ensure compliance with this Code.

Section 302.4. **”Weeds”**, is hereby deleted in its entirety.

Section 3. That and all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in direct conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 4. That if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The City of Bridgman hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance, and each section, subsection, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases be declared unconstitutional.

Section 5. That nothing in this ordinance or in the Property Maintenance Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 3 of this ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any person be lost, impaired or affected by this ordinance.

This Ordinance shall become effective ten days after publication.

AYES: Anderson, Catania, Fuller, High, Liskey, Gipson, Rose

NAYS: None

ORDINANCE DECLARED ADOPTED.

ALLYSON HOLM, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of an Ordinance adopted by the CITY OF BRIDGMAN, County of Berrien, State of Michigan, at a Regular Meeting, held on September 17, 2018, and that said Meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given, pursuant to

and in full compliance with Act No. 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the Minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

ALLYSON HOLM, City Clerk