

CITY OF BETHLEHEM

Department of Community and Economic Development

Interoffice Memo

To: J. William Reynolds, City Council President
From: Craig B. Hynes, Chief Building Inspector
Re: Proposed changes to Article No. 150

Attached are proposed changes to Article No. 150. This change is to limit the option to go to the code board of appeals when a violation is cited. This also requires a change to Article No. 1733 (submitted under separate memo).

cc: Robert J. Donchez, Mayor
William P. Leeson, City Solicitor
Alicia Miller Karner, Director of Community and Economic Development
Council Members
Louise Kelchner, City Clerk
File

ATTACH

DATE: November 1, 2017



Chief Building Inspector

BILL NO. ____ - 2017

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM,
COUNTIES OF LEHIGH AND NORTHAMPTON,
COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, AMENDING
ARTICLE 150 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF
THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM TITLED
“BOARD OF APPEALS”

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BETHLEHEM HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. That Article 150 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bethlehem, titled “Board of Appeals”, Section 150.01, titled “Purpose; Establishment,” Subsection (b), which reads as follows:

150.01 PURPOSE; ESTABLISHMENT

(b) Decisions made by a building official refusing to grant a modification of the provisions of the building code, electrical code, mechanical code, plumbing code, residential code, or property maintenance code covering the manner of construction or materials to be used in the erection, installation, alterations, or repairs or violations existing in a building or structure, pursuant to Articles 1701 and 1733 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bethlehem; and –

Shall be amended to read as follows:

(b) Decisions made by a building official refusing to grant a modification of the provisions of the building code, electrical code, mechanical code, plumbing code, residential code, or property maintenance code covering the manner of construction or materials to be used in the erection, installation, alterations, or repairs or violations existing in a building or structure, pursuant to Articles 1701 and 1733 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Bethlehem, **except that there shall be no right of appeal from a notice of violation alleging a violation of the International Property Maintenance Code of 2009**; and –

SECTION 2. That all Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith be, and the same are hereby repealed.

Sponsored by _____

PASSED finally in Council on the _____ day of _____, 20____.

President of Council

ATTEST:

City Clerk

This Ordinance approved this _____ day of _____, 20____.

Mayor