

ORDINANCE NO. 17-23  
PORTER COUNTY BOARD  
OF COMMISSIONERS  
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING  
REQUIREMENTS FOR CARBON  
MONOXIDE DETECTION

WHEREAS, the Porter County Board of Commissioners adopted the Porter County Municipal Code on December 2, 1997 pursuant to Ordinance No. 97-28; and

WHEREAS, the Porter County Board of Commissioners has deemed it necessary to pass a new ordinance to require carbon monoxide detectors in certain new residential construction; and

WHEREAS, the laws and rules of the State of Indiana and the unincorporated areas of Porter County regulate the use and installation of smoke detectors; and

WHEREAS, carbon monoxide poses a threat to the health and safety of citizens within the unincorporated area of Porter County; and

WHEREAS, smoke detectors do not always provide ample warning of the presence of carbon monoxide; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interests of the public health and safety of the residents within the unincorporated area of Porter County to require the installation of carbon monoxide detectors in certain new construction;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED THAT:

1. TITLE 15, Buildings and Construction in the Porter County Municipal Code is hereby amended through the addition of Chapter 15.34 entitled, Ordinance Establishing the Requirements for Carbon Monoxide Detection.

2. That Section 15.34.010 is added to the Porter County Municipal Code to read as follows:

15.34.010 Definition

Carbon Monoxide Detector shall be defined as a device that detects the presence of carbon monoxide (CO) gas and emits an audible alarm of at least eighty-five (85) decibels at ten (10) feet, and such alarm shall be capable of persisting for at least four (4) minutes, and conform to the NFPA 720 Standard for the Installation of Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detection and Warning Equipment.

3. That Section 15.34.020 is added to the Porter County Municipal Code to read as follows:

15.34.020 Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirement

Carbon Monoxide Detector Requirement - For all buildings of a Class 2 structure (as defined by I.C. 22-12-1-5, or any subsequent statute) designed for residential use and having a fireplace, attached garage, or fossil fuel burning appliance, and for which a building permit is issued for new construction after the date that this ordinance is in full effect, shall have at least one (1) operational carbon monoxide detector per residential unit. Installation of the carbon monoxide detector shall be in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and recommendations.

This Ordinance shall be in full effect from and after its adoption, approval by the State Fire Prevention and Building Safety Commission, and publication by law.

This Ordinance passed and adopted this 14 day of November, 2017.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PORTER COUNTY, INDIANA

Jeff Good  
Laura Blaney  
Jim Biggs

Attest: Vicki Urbanik, Auditor

I affirm under the penalties for perjury that I have taken reasonable care to redact each social security number in this document unless required by law.

Robert W. Thompson, Jr., AICP  
Director  
Department of Development &  
Storm Water Management  
Petitioner: Porter County Board  
of Commissioners

RESOLUTION NO. 17-07  
PORTER COUNTY BOARD OF  
COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the County Plan Commission of the County of Porter, Indiana, has held a hearing on the 27th day of September, 2017, con-

ing on the 27th day of September, 2017, concerning a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 97-28 entitled, "PORTER COUNTY MUNICIPAL CODE", as amended, and WHEREAS said Plan Commission has fully considered said proposed amendment, and WHEREAS all of the steps prescribed by the Indiana Planning Statue, Chapter 174, of the Acts of the Indiana General Assembly for 1947 and all Acts amendatory thereto have been complied with, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED that said proposed amendment in CASE 17-AM-02 to Porter County Municipal Code be forwarded with a FAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Porter, Indiana, and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Commissioners of the County of Porter, Indiana, for their action thereon.

This resolution duly adopted on the 27th day September, 2017.

COUNTY PLAN COMMISSION  
PORTER COUNTY, INDIANA  
Robert Poparad, President

I, Robert W. Thompson, Jr., certify that I am the Director of the Porter County Plan Commission; that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Porter County Plan Commission at a regular meeting held on the 27th day of September, 2017.

Robert W. Thompson, Jr., AICP  
Director  
Department of Development &  
Storm Water Management

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