

There came on for consideration the matter of adopting an Ordinance concerning an Amendment to the International Building Code as adopted within and about the City of Long Beach by Ordinance Number 518 and after a discussion of same. Alderman Ponthieux moved the adoption of the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 568

AN ORDINANCE BY THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH, MISSISSIPPI TO AMEND THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE AS ADOPTED WITHIN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 518 TO PROVIDE FOR A MINIMUM SIZE OF RESIDENTIAL DWELLING CONSTRUCTION WITHIN THE CITY, AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Governing Authorities that developers and home builders have begun to build much smaller homes in residential areas, and

WHEREAS, the City has heretofore adopted the International Building Code, which provides for minimum square footage requirements for certain rooms in residential structures (See Section 304); and

WHEREAS, however, this Code does not provide for the minimum square footage of the overall heated space of the home; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Authorities find that it is necessary to adopt a minimum square foot regulation for the heated spaces of single-family residences to preserve and protect the safety and public welfare of its citizens.

Therefore, it is hereby Ordered that the International Building Code as heretofore previously adopted by the City in Ordinance Number 518, Section 304, is hereby amended to provide as follows:

Section 304.5 Each residential dwelling unit, excluding mobile homes, in a residential zone shall have a minimum of 850 square feet of heated living space, excluding outside and open patios, porches, garages, carports, and similar structures.

This ordinance shall be published for a period of thirty days as required and provided by law, and shall thereafter become effective on and after September 10, 2009.

The above and foregoing Ordinance Number 568 was introduced in writing by Alderman Ponthieux who moved its adoption. Alderman Anderson seconded the motion to adopt said Ordinance Number 568; and after discussion, and the question being put to a roll call vote, the result was as follows:

Alderman Gary J. Ponthieux	Voted	Aye
Alderman Bernie Parker	Voted	Aye
Alderman Kaye H. Couvillon	Voted	Aye
Alderman Carolyn J. Anderson	Voted	Aye
Alderman Leonard G. Carrubba, Sr.	Voted	Aye
Alderman Mark E. Lishen	Voted	Aye
Alderman Ronnie Hammons, Jr.	Voted	Absent, Not Voting

The question having received the affirmative vote of a majority the Aldermen present and voting, the Mayor declared the motion carried in the said Ordinance adopted and approved this the 4th day of August, 2009.

APPROVED:

WILLIAM SKELLIE, JR., MAYOR

ATTEST:

REBECCA E. SCHRUFF, CITY CLERK

CERTIFICATE

**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
COUNTY OF HARRISON
CITY OF LONG BEACH**

I, the undersigned, Rebecca E. Schruff, City Clerk within and for the City of Long Beach, Mississippi, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of that certain Ordinance #568 of the City of Long Beach, Mississippi, adopted by the Mayor and Board of Aldermen at a regular meeting duly held and convened on the 4th day of August, 2009, as the same appears of record in Ordinance Book #7, pages 443-445 inclusive, in my office at the City Hall in said City.

Given under my hand and the official seal of my office this the 5th day of August, 2009.

(SEAL)

Rebecca E. Schruff, City Clerk