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**BOULDER COUNTY FIRE CODE REVIEW COMMITTEE
DOCKET #FCRC-14-0001
PUBLIC HEARING
HYGIENE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FIRE CODE (2012 IFC)
Thursday, March 13, 2014 – 1:00 P.M.
Boulder County Land Use Department
Caribou Conference Room, 2nd Floor, Courthouse Annex
2045 13th St., Boulder, CO 80302**

Staff: Gary Goodell, Chief Building Official, Secretary to the Fire Code Review Committee

The Hygiene Fire Protection District lies in the northern area of the county between the City of Longmont and the Town of Lyons, with its station located near 75th Street and Hygiene Road. The district's board of directors has adopted the 2012 edition of the International Fire Code (IFC), including Appendices B, C, E, F, G and I, by resolution dated June 12, 2013 (attached). The proposed adoption is essentially identical to that adopted by the Boulder Rural FPD and approved by the Fire Code Review Committee ("FCRC") and the Board of County Commissioners in 2012.

Staff has a number of positive comments on the proposed fire code adoption:

1. **2012 Edition.** Adopting the latest edition of the International Fire Code ("IFC") is certainly encouraged, and this will correlate well with the county's current adoption of the 2012 International Codes.
2. **Consistency.** Adopting a code that is similar, if not identical, to that adopted by another district benefits everyone involved in design, construction, codes administration and the ownership and operations of buildings and facilities, and promotes consistency.
3. **Permits.** As with the Boulder Rural Fire Code, selected operational and construction permit requirements in the published IFC have been either retained or deleted, based upon the district's needs as well as their ability to administer the permitting and not be overwhelmed by the ensuing administration, plan review, permitting, inspection and recordkeeping that goes along with adopting permitting requirements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Fire Code Review Committee recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that the proposed Hygiene FPD Fire Code be ACCEPTED for administration by the district in those portions of unincorporated Boulder County that lie within the boundaries of the Hygiene Fire Protection District.

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Attachment: Hygiene FPD Fire Code Adopting Resolution dated June 12, 2013