

FIRE SAFE COMMUNITY

BLUE ISLAND The Historic Heart of Chicago Southland



Deputy Chief Mark Luety and Fire Chief Terry Vrshek

CONGRATULATIONS FIRE CHIEF TERRY VRSHEK, DEPUTY CHIEF MARK LUETY AND THE BLUE ISLAND CITY COUNCIL!

To provide an improved minimum standard for the safety and protection of Blue Island citizens and firefighters, Fire Chief Terry Vrshek, Deputy Chief Mark Luety, former Fire Chief Bob Copp and Building Commissioner Robert Adams worked closely with the Blue Island City Council to amend and update building and fire codes to the 2012 editions of the International Building (IBC), Fire (IFC), and Residential (IRC) Codes. These newly adopted standards further solidify Blue Island's commitment to utilize fire sprinkler systems as lifesaving elements for multifamily residential, commercial, and high-rise structure that have been inherent in the community's development since 1997.

All new single-family homes will now be protected with fire sprinklers using the NFPA 13D standard, joining 84 other Illinois communities that provide the best technology available for fire- and life-safety protection for residents.

The mayor, alderman, and staff of the City of Blue Island should be proud of their long tradition of providing superior service to fire- and life-safety protection to the community now and into the future.

Mayor Donald E. Peloquin and the Blue Island City Council Alderman:

First Ward	Jerry Natalino	Christine Buckner-Cheatle
Second Ward	Leticia Vieyra	Cathie Spizzirri
Third Ward	Mark Patoska	Nancy Rita
Fourth Ward	Mark L. Ruthenberg	Marcia Stone
Fifth Ward	Michael Janko	Janice Ostling
Sixth Ward	Dexter Johnson	Jairo Frausto
Seventh Ward	Domingo Vargas	Nancy Thompson

Robert Adams, Building Commissioner

Congratulations for following FEMA's "America Burning" recommendation to make fire sprinklers a community's major front-line fire defense, and FEMA's "Firefighter Life Safety Summit Initiative #15," which calls for fire sprinklers in new residential occupancies to protect firefighters and reduce firefighter deaths and injuries.

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