



Home Builders Association of Central Arizona

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SENT VIA EMAIL

John Sheffer, PE, CBO
Deputy Director/Building Official
City of Mesa, Development Services
55 N Center St
Mesa AZ 85201

Re: 2018 Building Code Update

Dear Mr. Sheffer:

Thank you very much for the opportunity to comment on the 2018 building code and the City's proposed amendments. The Home Builders Association of Central Arizona ("HBACA") is very appreciative of the City's effort to include the HBACA and other interested parties in the code adoption process.

Whenever the HBACA reviews a potential code update, our primary concern is always the potential for unnecessary increases in the cost of construction. Fortunately, over the course of the past several code cycles some of the changes have reduced construction costs. In those areas where there may potentially be increased costs, we believe that the City's proposed amendments will mitigate those concerns. Moreover, the amendments are consistent with other jurisdictions across the Valley. Therefore, the HBACA supports the amendments as proposed in the adoption package.

On behalf of the home builders in Mesa, thank you again for the opportunity to meet and discuss the code adoption package. Please feel free to contact me directly with any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jackson Moll", is written over a large, stylized, handwritten letter "J" that serves as a decorative flourish.

Jackson Moll
Vice President of Municipal Affairs
Home Builders Association of Central Arizona