

**Town of Erie
Ordinance No. 15-2021**

**An Ordinance of the Board of Trustees of the Town of Erie
Repealing and Reenacting Section 9-1-3 of the Erie Municipal Code
to Adopt the 2020 Edition of the National Electrical Code, with
Amendments**

Whereas, on June 22, 2021, the Board of Trustees held a properly-noticed public hearing on the adoption of the 2020 edition of the National Electrical Code; and

Whereas, after considering the recommendation of Town staff and any comments from the public, the Board of Trustees finds it in the best interest of the public health, safety and welfare to adopt the 2020 edition of the National Electrical Code.

Now Therefore be it Ordained by the Board of Trustees of the Town of Erie, Colorado, that:

Section 1. Section 9-1-3 of the Erie Municipal Code is hereby repealed in its entirety and reenacted as follows:

9-1-3: Electrical Code:

A. Code Adopted: The National Electrical Code, 2020 Edition, (the "NEC") as published by the National Fire Protection Association, One Batterymarch Park, Quincy, MA 02169, a copy of which is on file and open for inspection in the office of the Town Clerk, is hereby adopted by reference with the amendments set forth herein.

B. Amendments: The NEC is amended as follows:

1. Section 90.5 is amended by adding the following: "(E) Unlawful Continuance. Any person who continued any work after having been served with a stop work order, except such work as that person is directed to perform to remove a violation or unsafe condition, shall be liable to the penalties prescribed in Erie Municipal Code § 9-1-11."

2. Section 210.8(F) Exception is amended by adding "and 210.8(G)" at the end of the sentence.

3. Section 210.8 is amended by adding the following: "(G) Bathroom Lighting Outlets. GFCI protection shall be provided for lighting outlets installed on a wall and switches within a zone measured 900 mm (3ft.) horizontally and 2.5 m (8 ft.) vertically on wall from the top of the bathtub rim or shower stall threshold. The identified zone is all-

encompassing and shall include the space directly over the tub or shower stall."

4. Section 230.70(A)(1) is replaced with the following: "230.70(A)(1) Readily Accessible Location. The service disconnecting means shall be installed at a readily accessible location on the outside of a building or structure as follows:

- a. One- and Two-Family Dwellings and Townhomes. The service disconnecting means shall be located in line with utility ground box or transformer and accessible by the utility.
- b. Non-Dwelling Buildings or Structures. The service disconnecting means shall be accessible by the utility.
- c. Exception: Service disconnecting means for fire pumps are not required to be located outside a building or structure."

5. Section 406.4 is amended by adding the following: "(G) Outdoor Receptacles. Receptacles mounted on the outside of a building or structure shall have a vertical mounting height of not less than 300mm (12 inches) from final grade, roof surface, or similar location."

Section 2. Severability. If any article, section, paragraph, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is held to be unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Board of Trustees hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance and each part or parts hereof irrespective of the fact that any one, or part, or parts be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 3. Safety. The Board of Trustees finds that the adoption of this Ordinance is necessary for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare.

Section 4. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after publication following adoption.

Introduced, read, passed and ordered published this 22nd day of June, 2021.

Jennifer Carroll, Mayor

Attest:

Heidi Leatherwood, Town Clerk