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TO: KMAS, KRXY, SHELTON-MASON COUNTY JOURNAL, THE OLYMPIAN, SHELTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, NORTH MASON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, CITY OF SHELTON, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, THE SUN

RE: Amendment of Mason County Code, Title 14, Building and Construction Code

## Commissioners Discuss Current Washington State Building Code Adoption At Their June 12, 2007 Hearing

The Mason County Department of Community Development has proposed amendments to Title 14 of the Mason County Code. Amended sections will include the adoption of the Washington State Building Code as mandated by RCW 19.27. State law requires that these codes be in effect and enforced by local jurisdictions prior to July 1, 2007. The codes provide the minimum requirements and standards for the protection of the public health, safety and welfare. They include the 2006 International Building, Residential, Mechanical and Fire Code as well as the 2006 Uniform Plumbing Code. Proposed amendments to the code will also include language clarifications, revisions or updates to other sections, including but not limited to Section 14.28, Mason County Addressing System, adopted in 1997 and Section 14.44, Excavation and Grading, which was adopted in 1996.

At their June 12th meeting, Mason County Commissioners will hear from staff, information regarding the adoption of the proposed code and amendments to the Mason County Code, Title 14 Building and Construction Code.

When: Tuesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am

Where: County Commissioner Chambers, Building 1, 411 North 5<sup>th</sup> Street

The public is invited to attend this meeting. You can also email your comments to Commissioners at dlz@co.mason.wa.us. Please send comments by 5 p.m. on June 6, 2007

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