

## Energy Efficiency

### Measure 13 – Community Energy Codes

10 Points

Establish a program to enforce Georgia's energy codes.

#### Discussion:

Cobb County's Community Development Department is responsible for permitting and inspecting all construction in un-incorporated Cobb County. The County requires all builders to apply for a building permit as a condition of constructing residential and commercial buildings in Cobb County. The building permit is the first step in enforcing the International Building Codes by allowing department staff to be informed of pending construction so that plans can be reviewed and inspections can be made to ensure compliance.

All applicants are required to sign a Community Development Dept. affidavit as part of the process of obtaining a building permit. The affidavit informs them of their obligation under Georgia Law to meet the provisions of the International Energy Conservation Code and the policies of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs.

Cobb County code compliance inspectors then visit the construction site on multiple occasions during the construction process to verify compliance with all aspects of the International Building Codes.

#### Documentation:

The following documentation is enclosed with this application:

- Section of Chapter 18 of the Cobb County Code, which authorizes the use of the International Building Code as the local standard.
- The Cobb County builder affidavit requiring permit holders to acknowledge their obligation to meet the requirements of the International Energy Conservation Code.
- Department inspection procedures directive to building inspectors regarding final inspection requirements for ensuring compliance with the code.