RESOLUTION NO.: 2025-2405

Adopted: October 15, 2025

Effective Date: December 1, 2025

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission ("Commission" or "WSSC") adopting the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code and repealing the 2021 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code.

WHEREAS, the Commission is authorized and empowered pursuant to Section 17-403 of the Public Utilities Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, to adopt regulations governing plumbing installations in the Washington Suburban Sanitary District ("Sanitary District"); and

WHEREAS, the Commission is authorized and empowered pursuant to Section 17-404 of the Public Utilities Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, to adopt regulations governing fuel gas installations in the Sanitary District; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is authorized and empowered pursuant to the provisions of Section 24-201 of the Public Utilities Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, to adopt regulations governing sewer cleaning in the Sanitary District; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is authorized and empowered pursuant to Section 9-332 of the Environment Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, to adopt regulations constituting the Commission's Pretreatment Program governing the discharge of certain industrial pollutants into the Commission's sewerage systems; and

WHEREAS, the Commission is otherwise generally authorized and empowered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17-403 of the Public Utilities Article, Annotated Code of Maryland, to adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of the Public Utilities Article and any other laws the enforcement and administration of which are vested in the Commission; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the foregoing authorities, the Commission previously promulgated the 2021 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code; and

WHEREAS, for the technical provisions relating to plumbing and fuel gas installations, the 2021 Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code, in turn, adopts and incorporates therein by reference, with certain amendments thereto, the 2021 editions of the International Plumbing Code and the International Fuel Gas Code, all as published by the International Code Council, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code also contains administrative provisions, and provisions related to Commission water meters, site-utility systems and industrial/special waste discharge requirements, including food service establishment discharge requirements; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the foregoing authorities, the Commission has now determined to update and replace the 2021 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code, in whole, with a new body of regulations governing the same subject matters to be known as the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code, in turn, for the technical provisions relating to plumbing and fuel gas installations, adopts and incorporates therein by reference, with certain amendments thereto, the 2024 editions of the International Plumbing Code and the International Fuel Gas Code, all as published by the International Code Council, Inc., and also effects certain changes to the remaining areas of the Code as described above; and

WHEREAS, the Commission communicated the proposed code changes embodied in the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code to identified stakeholders and to the WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Board to solicit input from interested parties, and published a general notice of its intent to adopt the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code to solicit input from the public at large; and

WHEREAS, the Commission has duly considered the matters involved, including any comments made and views expressed by the public, comments or views of identified stakeholders including the WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Board, and the recommendations of Commission Staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this 15th day of October 2025, that the 2021 Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code, as originally adopted on February 15, 2023, and as amended from time to time thereafter, and all other regulations or parts of regulations in conflict herewith, are hereby repealed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission hereby adopts the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code as official Commission regulations for all purposes set forth therein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, unless otherwise provided by law, that nothing in this resolution or in the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any pending suit or proceeding of any kind, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause(s) of action acquired or existing under any regulation repealed by this resolution as set forth immediately above; nor shall any legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this resolution or the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code hereby adopted is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this resolution or the regulations. The Commission hereby declares that it would have adopted this resolution and the regulations adopted hereby, and each section,

subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, and phrases be declared unconstitutional; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of this resolution and the actions taken hereunder be published in at least two newspapers published in each county of the Washington Suburban Sanitary District as soon as practicable, but in any event not later than November 1, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution and the 2024 WSSC Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code hereby adopted shall take effect on December 1, 2025.

A True Copy.

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Secretary