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Agenda

Code Board of Appeals
Thursday, April 10, 2025 @ 3:30pm

Town Hall
10 East Church Street, Bethlehem, PA 18018

1. 26 W. North St, Bethlehem, PA seeking relief from:
International Property Maintenance Code 2018 Edition Section 404.2 Minimum Room Widths and 404.4.1 – Room Area

404.2 – Minimum Room Widths. A habitable room, other than a kitchen, shall be not less than 7 feet in any plan dimension. Kitchens shall have a minimum clear passageway of 3 feet between counter fronts and appliances or counter fronts and walls.

404.4.1 – Room Area. Every living room shall contain not less than 120 square feet and every bedroom shall contain not less than 70 square feet and every bedroom occupied by more than one person shall contain less than 50 square feet of floor area for each occupant thereof.

The applicant is appealing the ruling of the City Code Official that the property located at 26 West North St should not be subject to the provisions of the IPMC because of the house's irregular construction.

2. 507 E. 5th St, Bethlehem, PA seeking relief from:
International Property Maintenance Code 2018 Edition Section 404.2 Minimum Room Widths and 404.4.1 – Room Area

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The applicant is appealing the ruling of the City Code Official that the property located at 507 East 5th St should not be subject to the provisions of the IPMC because of the house's irregular construction.

3. 518 Polk St, Bethlehem, PA seeking relief from:
Section R305.1 of the 2018 International Residential Code
R305.1 Minimum height. Habitable space, hallways and portions of basement containing these spaces shall have a ceiling height of not less than 7 feet.
R305.1.1 Basements. Portions of the basements that do not contain habitable space or hallways shall have a ceiling height of not less than 6 feet 8 inches.

4. 566 Hillside Ave, Bethlehem, PA seeking relief from:
Section R305.1 of the 2018 International Residential Code
R305.1 Minimum height. Habitable space, hallways and portions of basement containing these spaces shall have a ceiling height of not less than 7 feet.
R305.1.1 Basements. Portions of the basements that do not contain habitable space or hallways shall have a ceiling height of not less than 6 feet 8 inches.

5. 1208 Railroad St, Bethlehem, PA seeking relief from:
Section R305.1 of the 2018 International Residential Code
R305.1 Minimum height. Habitable space, hallways and portions of basement containing these spaces shall have a ceiling height of not less than 7 feet.
R305.1.1 Basements. Portions of the basements that do not contain habitable space or hallways shall have a ceiling height of not less than 6 feet 8 inches.

Applicant must be present for their appeal to be heard.