

**TOWN OF SEVERANCE  
ORDINANCE NO. 2024-02**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SEVERANCE,  
COLORADO, AMENDING SECTION R402.2.2 OF THE INTERNATIONAL  
RESIDENTIAL CODE IN SECTION 18-2-30, "AMENDMENTS," OF THE  
SEVERANCE MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING CONCRETE FLATWORK  
WARRANTY WORK**

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Severance ("Town") previously adopted the International Residential Code (2018 Edition) by reference (the "IRC"), with amendments, in Ordinance No. 2019-07; and

**WHEREAS**, in Ordinance No. 2021-01, the Town amended IRC Section R402.2 by adding two subsections R402.2.2 and R402.2.3 regarding reinforcement of concrete flatwork and minimum spacing of concrete joints for residential dwellings; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town wishes to further amend the concrete flatwork reinforcement provisions in IRC Section R402.2.2 to require that concrete flatwork repairs performed under warranty for new residential dwellings be reinforced; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town intends that all previously enacted and adopted provisions pertaining to the International Residential Code adopted in Ordinance No. 2019-07, as previously amended by Ordinance No. 2021-01 and Ordinance No. 2022-02, shall remain intact unless expressly amended herein; and

**WHEREAS**, ensuring that new residential dwellings within the Town conform to adequate standards for concrete flatwork is in the interest of the general health, safety, and welfare of the Town; and

**WHEREAS**, this ordinance is enacted pursuant to the Town of Severance's home rule authority under Article XX, § 6 of the Constitution of the State of Colorado, and pursuant to the Town of Severance's police powers, in order to safeguard and preserve the public health, safety and welfare of the community.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE  
TOWN OF SEVERANCE, COLORADO, AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 18-2-30, "Amendments," of the Severance Municipal Code is hereby amended to repeal and replace IRC Section R402.2.2 to read as follows:<sup>1</sup>

**IRC Section R402.2** IRC Section R402.2 (Concrete) is amended by adding subsections R402.2.2 and R402.2.3 thereunder, which subsections shall read as follows:

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<sup>1</sup> Additions to the current text of the Code are indicated by underlining, and deletions are indicated by ~~strikethrough~~.

"R402.2.2 *Concrete Slab Installation Requirements*. With respect to all new dwellings and all repair and replacement work performed under warranty for all new dwellings, all exterior concrete flatwork including but not limited to porches, patios, sidewalks, driveways, and steps shall be reinforced with a minimum 10-gauge welded wire mesh or other acceptable reinforcement approved by the Building Official."

"R402.2.3 *Minimum Spacing of Concrete Joints*. Control joints in concrete shall be spaced a minimum 30 times the thickness of the concrete and no greater than 10 feet."

Section 2. 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 Town Council hereby declares it would have passed this ordinance and each part or parts hereof irrespective of the fact that any one part or parts be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section 3. All other ordinances or portions thereof inconsistent or conflicting with this ordinance or any portion hereof are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency or conflict.

Section 4. Violations of this ordinance shall be punishable in accordance with Section 1-4-20 of the Severance Municipal Code.

Section 5. This ordinance is deemed necessary for the immediate protection of the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

INTRODUCED, READ, ADOPTED, APPROVED, AND ORDERED PUBLISHED IN FULL this 12th day of March, 2024.



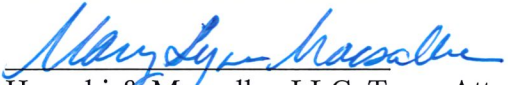
TOWN OF SEVERANCE, COLORADO

  
Matthew Fries, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Leah Vanarsdall, MMC, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Hayashi & Macsalka, LLC, Town Attorney