Mr. Jeff Estabrook called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Brian Barrett – Absent
Jeff Estabrook
Steve Johnston
David Miller – Absent
Christopher Reed
Terry Salem
Amy Schaap

Others Present:
Jim Wonder, Chief Plumbing Inspector
Frank Reida, Plans Examiner
Doug Clark, Douglas County Health Department
Jennifer Taylor, City Attorney
Autumn Drickey, Board Secretary

II. Approval of Minutes from June 26, 2019

Motion by Mr. Steve Johnston to approve the minutes as corrected. Second by Ms. Amy Schaap.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Schaap
ABSTAIN: Reed, Salem

Motion carried: 3-0-2, Approved
### Grid Architecture LLC

**Address:** 2645 N 165 St

**Nebraska 68116**

**REQUEST:** For waiver to staff restroom count and unisex restroom request.

**Location:** 17440 Wright St 49-722 (5A)

No one appeared in regards to this request. Mr. Jim Wonder stated the request should be filed and they should resubmit.

Mr. Salem made a motion to file.

Ms. Gazala Larsen arrived and appeared in regards to the above request at the above address.

Mr. Salem withdrew his objection.

Mr. Estabrook read the request into the record. Ms. Larsen clarified the request. Mr. Estabrook stated he would abstain as he has looked at the job. Mr. Wonder stated the City of Omaha does not object to this request. Mr. Christopher Reed asked for clarification on the restrooms. Ms. Gazala stated that they would be adding a classroom in a former storm shelter. She detailed where the restrooms were.

Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the request. Second by Mr. Salem.

**AYES:** Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

**ABSTAIN:** Estabrook

Motion carried: 4-0-1, Approved

### Allen Childers

**Address:** 10052 Wirt Plz #12

**Nebraska 68134**

**REQUEST:** For waiver to waiting time between tests and testing accommodations 49-204 c

Mr. Estabrook stated that the applicant requested that this be laid over.

Motion by Mr. Salem to layover this case to the July 24, 2019 meeting. Second by Mr. Johnston.

**AYES:** Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Laid over to the July 24, 2019 meeting

### Park Avenue Grocery

**Address:** 1107 Park Ave

**Nebraska 68105**

**REQUEST:** For waiver to grease interceptor

**Location:** 1107 Park Ave 49-1103

No one appeared.

Motion by Mr. Johnston to layover this case to the July 24, 2019 meeting. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

**AYES:** Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Laid over to the July 24, 2019 meeting
Mr. Edward Cahalane appeared requesting that his license be taken out of retirement. Mr. Estabrook stated that he is short four hours of continuing education in 2018.

Motion by Mr. Salem to move four (4) hours of continuing education from 2019 to 2018. Second by Ms. Amy Schaap.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Approved

Motion by Mr. Salem to take Mr. Cahalane’s Journeyman Plumber license out of retirement. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Approved

Mr. Cory Caniglia appeared in regards to the above request at the above address. Mr. Estabrook read the request into the record. Mr. Caniglia stated explained the history of the request, including the multiple plumbers who have been involved. Mr. Wonder explained the history in more detail. Mr. Salem asked how many water heaters were involved. Mr. Caniglia stated twenty-eight. Mr. Reed asked about the building. Mr. Caniglia detailed the construction of the project. He confirmed the water heaters are elevated. Mr. Salem asked how many gallons the water heaters are. Mr. Caniglia stated approximately 40 gallons. Mr. Estabrook stated similar requests have been made, but he doesn’t like it. Mr. Reed clarified those previous requests. Mr. Salem voiced concerns of 40 gallons on a wood structure. Mr. Salem asked how much the water heaters are elevated. Mr. Caniglia stated they have spacers. Mr. Reed stated it is not a public safety issue, just an inconvenience if there is a leak. Mr. Wonder asked if there is an electric heater. Mr. Caniglia confirmed. Mr. Johnston asked where they will be located. Mr. Caniglia stated on the interior of the apartment. There is consensus that this is an unfortunate situation. Mr. Salem asked how many contractors they have gone through. Mr. Caniglia stated they are on their third contractor, detailing the problems.

Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the waiver. Second by Ms. Schaap.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

NAYES: Salem

Motion carried: 4-1, Approved

Mr. Robert Woodard appeared before the Board in regards to the above request. He stated they are getting their curriculum approved like every year. Mr. Estabrook asked if the classes have changed. Mr. Woodard stated that they have moved things around, but otherwise the same.

Motion by Mr. Salem to approve renewal of apprenticeship program curriculum. Second by Mr. Johnston.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Approved
Ms. Jenna Krueger and Mr. Jim Torres appeared in regards to the above request at the above address. Mr. Estabrook read the request into the record. Ms. Krueger detailed the specifics of the project. She stated that there would be elementary before and after school care where the students would utilize the during the day staff restrooms and the staff would utilize the unisex preschool restrooms that would be designated. Mr. Reed asked for clarification. Ms. Krueger stated they are covered during the school day but there is a conflict during before or after school care. Mr. Estabrook asked about the time overlap. Ms. Schaap asked if preschool students would be in the before and after school care. Ms. Krueger confirmed there might be. Ms. Frank Reida clarified the request and the sizes of the restrooms. Mr. Reed asked if the middle restrooms are ADA compliant. Ms. Krueger confirmed. Mr. Reed asked about the restroom signage. Mr. Wonder stated the City of Omaha is nervous about this request. Ms. Schaap stated her preference due to having to walk through classrooms to get access to the restrooms. Ms. Krueger explained how they designed. Ms. Schaap stated she understands, but since it is new construction, there’s flexibility. Ms. Krueger asked if the amount of time where this would be in use would be a factor. Mr. Torres stated he doesn’t understand where the confusion would be. Mr. Reed stated the confusion would be with the preschoolers needing to use other restrooms. Mr. Torres stated that they would be in a central location. Ms. Krueger stated that the unisex restrooms would be locked with the staff having the key for the staff restrooms. Mr. Wonder stated this is a precedent that the City of Omaha doesn’t think we should start. Ms. Krueger offered a suggestion for a waiver for a unisex restroom. There is consensus that that would be better. Mr. Reed asked about a different design. Ms. Krueger stated that during the before and after school care the classrooms may not need to be utilized. Ms. Schaap stated that one restroom looks like it could have a unisex restroom required. Ms. Krueger asked about the ADA compliance for the preschool rooms. There is discussion about the design and other requirements. Mr. Reed stated that if there were a unisex staff restroom in the core he would be comfortable with that. Mr. Wonder stated that in granting the waiver for a unisex restroom, it would need to specify that it would be specifically for the after-school care. There is discussion about the signage.

Motion by Mr. Reed to allow the waiver of a single staff unisex restroom in the core of the plan submitted to be added. Second by Mr. Salem.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Approved

IV. *Apprenticeship Agreements

Christopher Carbis
811 N Linn St
Glenwood, IA 51534

JTM Plumbing Service
11075 S 204 St #1
Gretna, NE 68028

Mr. Christopher Carbis appeared and is requesting a March 18, 2019 start date to the Omaha Apprenticeship Program. Mr. Estabrook stated his documentation is in order. He stated there is additional time, but he is just starting school.

Motion by Mr. Salem to approve Mr. Carbis to the Omaha Apprenticeship Program with a March 18, 2019 start date. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Approved
V. Cases cont’d

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Motion by Ms. Schaap to reopen this case. Second by Mr. Reed.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Case 19-7-70 reopened.

Mr. Thomas Gebreslase and Ms. Alem Merbarte appeared in regards to the above request at the above address. Mr. Estabrook asked if they have contacted the Health Department. Mr. Gebreslase stated they have not yet. He stated that during the inspection process he was told to either get a waiver or remove the space. Mr. Estabrook asked if there is a drawing. Mr. Gebreslase presented a menu and a drawing. Mr. Estabrook asked if they have a deep fryer. Mr. Gebreslase confirmed. Mr. Wonder stated that he has not seen the location but they did tag them for not having an interceptor. Mr. Salem asked if they have room for the grease interceptor. Mr. Gebreslase restated what the Health Department said. He stated that they do not allow people to eat at the location, they only have food to go. Mr. Estabrook asked if there is enough room in the parking lot. Mr. Gebreslase stated it is a shared parking lot. Mr. Wonder asked about seating. Mr. Gebreslase stated there is no seating. Mr. Wonder asked about their hours of operations. Mr. Gebreslase stated 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. There is discussion about the menu. Mr. Reida asked if there is a Type I hood over the fryers. Mr. Gebreslase confirmed. Mr. Estabrook asked if it is a new construction. Mr. Gebreslase stated it is not, that they are doing a to-go option to supplement their income. Mr. Reed stated it needs a grease interceptor. Mr. Doug Clark stated that according to the information submitted, they would need a grease interceptor, but they will need to get in touch with the Health Department inspector. Mr. Gebreslase stated that he’s waiting to get in touch with that inspector until he passes all inspections with the Planning Department. Ms. Schaap stated that based on the information presented, they need the grease interceptor. Mr. Reed confirmed.

Motion by Mr. Reed to deny the request. Second by Mr. Estabrook.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Denied

VI. Discussion

Jim Wonder – Plumbing Board Policies

Mr. Wonder stated that he would suggest that they wait until all Board members are present to vote on anything. He asked Ms. Jennifer Taylor about a concern with deadline. Ms. Taylor stated that having a deadline with a contingency for emergencies takes away the need for the deadline. She suggested a change in wording and how other boards are with deadlines. Mr. Wonder asked about deleting the wording, could they still have the contingency. Ms. Taylor stated that it would have to be an emergency. Mr. Wonder explained why he wanted it included. Ms. Taylor suggested a change in wording.

Jim Wonder – Ordinance Changes

Mr. Wonder stated there are minor changes, but he is looking to meet with people in the industry prior to submitting. He stated he will supply changes at the next meeting.

Mr. Estabrook asked about the applications. Mr. Wonder stated it is for the accommodations, more procedural.
Motion by Mr. Salem to adjourn. Second by Mr. Johnston.

AYES: Estabrook, Johnston, Reed, Salem, Schaap

Motion carried: 5-0, Adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

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