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To: Leslie@NIBCA.com
Cc: kcbocc
Subject: Misinformation Call to Action NIBCA
Date: Tuesday, February 20, 2018 10:19:43 AM

Hello Ms. Streeter,

Allow me to disabuse you of a misconception you seem to harbor. In your "Call to Action" (copied below) you imply that the county's decision on building codes will effect ALL county residents. You point out that 70% of county residents reside within cities with the remaining 30% live in unincorporated (rural) areas. This is true. 70% of county residents live in, and are ***under the jurisdiction of municipalities*** within Kootenai county. Municipalities like Coeur d'Alene, Post Falls and Rathdrum ***have their own codes and ordinances regarding zoning, land use and building permits.***

70% of county residents ***are not*** under the jurisdiction of county land use codes and building permits. Only 30% of Kootenai county residents, those that live in the unincorporated, rural areas will be directly effected by BOCCs decision in this matter.

You may discover that when your membership discovers they have been misinformed they will not look kindly on the source of that misinformation. You may also find that the weight of the objections based on this misinformation is diminished. Hyperbolic arguments are rarely persuasive and never useful.

Thank you for your kind attention in this matter.

Regards
Brent Regan

Call to Action
Here's what the NIBCA needs from you now:

- 1) Choose one of the following 3 templates as a guideline and e-mail directly as a formal submission to: kcbocc@kcgov.us supporting Option 1 only
- 2) Feel free to e-mail or make calls specifically also to Bob Bingham and Mark Eberlein Board Commissioners as well to:
- 3) Come to the meeting on March 19th Numbers really matter!
- 4) Forward these template to ALL your friends, family, business partners, etc and encourage them to send their formal letter via e-mail to: kcbocc@kcgov.us as this heavily affects anyone living in North Idaho

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Examples of verbiage:

1. I urge you to support maintaining the Kootenai County building Codes, and to also support the periodic adoption of new versions of the building code, all as stated by Idaho statute (Section 39-4116). I am opposed to abolishing the codes and relying on voluntary compliance, and also opposed to any exemption for single-family homes from the permit review process.
2. Kootenai County is not a rural county, as evidenced by the fact that 70% of the population resides within cities. Consequently, and unlike sparsely populated areas, the elimination of the county building codes will demonstrably and irreversibly affect economic development, property values, and county assessments, to name a few. No doubt, there will be unforeseen consequences, as well. I therefore urge you to carefully consider this matter in light of the substantial economic, health, safety, welfare, and nuisance impacts it will have on all of the citizens of the county, and respectfully ask that you vote to maintain the building codes.
3. Please accept this short letter of unequivocal support of Kootenai County maintaining and updating the residential and related codes - industrial, commercial, energy - as recommended by the State of Idaho. I am opposed to any measure to either abolish the codes, or make them optional. Our county is no longer rural, but urban, as evidenced by the fact that 70% of our population reside in the cities. Further, I believe that any effort to curtail the formal permitting process will have an adverse effect on economic development, property values, and county assessments, among others. I therefore urge you to reconsider your position(s), and support the maintenance of building codes in Kootenai County.