



# City of Rolling Meadows Building Code Update

## What do I need to know?

Starting July 1, 2022 the City will be enforcing a new set of building codes and amendments. It has been about 10 years since the codes were last updated, and longer since they were updated comprehensively. The update will make the codes and amendments easier to read and use, and allow new technologies to be incorporated into plans, with appropriate regulations to keep the public safe.



The majority of submittals will remain the same, but there are some changes. Some of the highlights are below:

- Contractors

- All contractors, except for plumbing contractors, will be required to submit a certificate of insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000.
- All general contractors will be required to submit a license and permit bond in the amount of \$20,000, regardless of the value of the work.
- All other contractors, except for roofing and plumbing



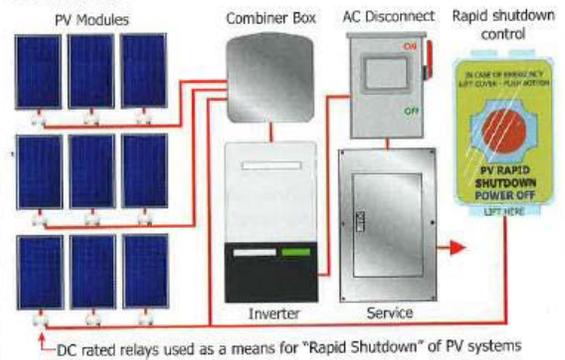
contractors, will be required to submit a license and permit bond in the amount of \$10,000, regardless of the value of the work.

- Wireless smoke alarms will be allowed for new construction and remodels.

- Specific guidelines for deck construction are being incorporated to ensure resident safety.
- Safety guidelines are being added for rooftop solar panels.
- Electrical outlets will be required in every bay of a residential garage – one for every parking space in the garage. This is to accommodate electric vehicles in the

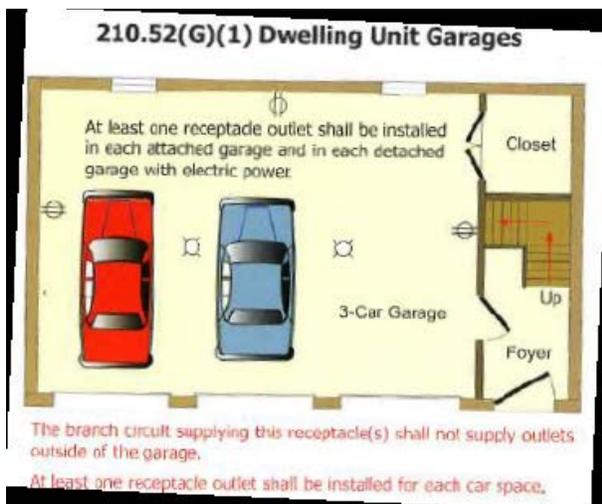
#### 690.12 Rapid Shutdown of PV Systems on Buildings

PV source circuits to be de-energized from all sources within 10 seconds of when the utility supply is de-energized or when the PV power source disconnecting means is opened



future.

- A new code book has been created and adopted, specifically about swimming pools and hot tubs. This will allow the City to have specific guidelines for the installation of these recreational items to ensure continued safety of all who use them, both privately and for public pools.



Additional questions on the changes or new requirements?

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We're happy to help answer your questions and guide you as you move forward with new projects!