CITY OF CENTENNIAL

Community Development Department — Building Division

BUILDING OFFICIAL ADMINISTRATIVE INTERPRETATION

Interim Interpretation of Ordinance No. 2026-O-08 and 2021 IECC Amendments C405.11 & C405.12 — Centennial Municipal Code § 18-6-30

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Issued By:	Joseph Montoya, Chief Building Official, City of Centennial
Applies To:	Ordinance No. 2026-O-08; Centennial Municipal Code §§ 18-6-10, 18-6-30(8), (9)
Status:	In effect until withdrawn or superseded by the Chief Building Official, or repealed by City Council action

1. Purpose

This administrative memorandum provides the Building Division's interim administrative interpretation of Ordinance No. 2026-O-08, which adopted by reference the 2021 International Energy Conservation Code (IECC), including the Commercial and Residential provisions, and amended Article 6 of Chapter 18 of the Centennial Municipal Code. The interpretation addresses two Centennial amendments codified in § 18-6-30(8) and (9). Those provisions add EV-capable/EV-ready parking requirements as C405.11 and solar-ready zone requirements as C405.12, although those section numbers are already assigned to Automatic Receptacle Control and Energy Monitoring in the base 2021 IECC. Because Ordinance No. 2026-O-08 does not expressly state whether the base provisions are retained, supplemented, or superseded, this interpretation establishes an interim approach for plan review and inspection until the City resolves the numbering issue through legislative action.

2. Background

Section 1 of Ordinance No. 2026-O-08 repealed and replaced Centennial Municipal Code § 18-6-10 and adopted by reference Chapters 1 through 6 of the 2021 IECC, including IECC Commercial and IECC Residential, "with the additions, deletions, insertions, and changes" set forth in Article 6. Section 2 repealed and replaced § 18-6-30 and provides that the City's amendments control "in the event of a conflict" with the base IECC. Subsections (8) and (9) add new requirements at C405.11 and C405.12 without expressly deleting the existing base-code text or addressing the subsections under those headings. The ordinance's recitals also state that the City intended to update from the 2018 IECC to the 2021 IECC, incorporate selected provisions consistent with the 2024 IECC, improve building performance and long-term energy efficiency, and maintain the overall framework of the 2021 IECC. Read together, these provisions create an ambiguity as to the effect of the duplicated section numbers.

3. Interpretation

Pending corrective legislative action, the Building Division will administer the provisions as set out below. This interpretation gives effect to both the base 2021 IECC and the Centennial-specific additions because Ordinance No. 2026-O-08: (a) generally adopted the 2021 IECC framework; (b) identified C405.11 and C405.12 as new sections rather than expressly deleting or replacing the existing requirements; (c) stated an intent to improve building performance and long-term energy efficiency; and (d) provides that the local amendments control only in the event of a conflict. Because the base requirements and the Centennial additions regulate different subjects and can be applied together, the Building Division does not interpret the duplicated numbering alone as an implied repeal.

3.1 IECC C405.11 — Automatic Receptacle Control and EV-Capable/EV-Ready Parking

The existing receptacle control requirements and the new EV parking requirements apply together:

- Automatic Receptacle Controls. Comply with the automatic receptacle control requirements in Sections C405.11 and C405.11.1, including the listed building areas and required coverage percentages; AND
- EV Parking. Comply with the EV-capable and EV-ready parking spaces in Centennial Municipal Code § 18-6-30(8).

Permit applications are required to demonstrate compliance with both requirements.

3.2 IECC C405.12 — Energy Monitoring and Solar-Ready Zones

The existing energy monitoring requirements and the new solar-ready requirements apply together.

- Energy Monitoring. Comply with the energy monitoring requirements in Sections C405.12.1 through C405.12.5 for new buildings with at least 25,000 square feet of gross conditioned floor area; AND
- Solar-Ready Zones. Comply with the solar-ready zone requirements in Centennial Municipal Code § 18-6-30(9).

Permit applications are required to demonstrate compliance with both sets of requirements.

4. Effect on Plan Review and Inspection

- Plan reviewers shall check submittals against all applicable base IECC requirements identified above (C405.11/C405.11.1, C405.12.1–.5) in addition to the Centennial-specific additions in § 18-6-30(8) and (9).
- This interpretation applies to permit applications submitted on or after its effective date. The Building Official may address pending applications on a case-by-case basis.
- This interpretation does not modify any other provision of Article 6 and does not waive any other applicable code requirement.

5. Status and Superseding Action

This administrative interpretation is interim guidance concerning Ordinance No. 2026-O-08 and Centennial Municipal Code §§ 18-6-10 and 18-6-30; it is not an amendment to the code. It remains in effect until withdrawn, superseded by the Chief Building Official, or repealed by City Council action.

Issued by the Office of the Building Official, City of Centennial, as administrative guidance concerning Ordinance No. 2026-O-08 and Centennial Municipal Code §§ 18-6-10 and 18-6-30.

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