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RE: Clarification of Roof Decking Requirements for Residential Reroofing Projects

The City of Rockford is currently under the 2015 International Residential Code with local amendments. As such, all reroofing projects shall comply with all applicable code provisions.

Asphalt shingles must be installed on solidly sheathed decks (R905.2.1). During reroofing projects, where it is found that the existing deck has 1/3 inch gaps or less, this shall be considered "solidly sheathed". However, roofing manufacturer's installation instructions shall govern where found to be more stringent than this Code.

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Respectfully,

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