Commissioner Colleen M. Swedyk opened the public hearing concerning a proposed revision to the Medina County Building Regulations, specifically to provide clarification regarding the residential property owner exemption affidavit. This was the second public hearing on this matter.

Chief Building Official Matt Strehle explained that current Building Regulations require licensed electricians and HVAC contractors for residential electrical and mechanical work, but that a Homeowner Affidavit allows property owners working on their own homes to waive that requirement. Under the existing language, the affidavit could be executed either by notarization or by having a member of the Building Department staff witness the homeowner's signature in lieu of a notary. The new language requires the Homeowner Affidavit to be notarized prior to submission and Building Department staff will no longer serve as witnesses to the signature.

Commissioner Harrison stated that he believes the change makes sense and aligns with a legal affidavit. Commissioner Swedyk noted that the effective date of January 1, 2027 for the change will allow sufficient time to notify the public.

Public Comment
None.

There being no further comments, Commissioner Swedyk closed the public hearing at 9:02 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rhonda J. Beck
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