

## **BUILDING CODE APPEALS BOARD**

(Ordinance #04-2733-A)

In December 2004, the Building Code Appeals Board (BCAB) was created to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions or determinations relative to the application and interpretation of the adopted building codes.

The Board has the following powers:

- 1. To hear and decide appeals from the determination of a Building Official where it is alleged that on a claim that the true intent of the building and construction codes have been incorrectly interpreted, that the provisions do not fully apply, or that an equally good or better form of construction is proposed. The Board shall have no authority to waive requirements of the code.
- 2. BCAB is to conduct a regular comprehensive review of the codes adopted and has the power to recommend to the City Council changes, additions or deletions from said codes for any reason including the following:
  - a. Defects in the text of the codes;
  - b. Deficiencies created by improper or lax administration of the codes; or
  - c. Inconsistency with the State Statutes or judicial decisions.

Applications for an appeal can be obtained in person at La Porte City Hall – Inspection Services Division (604 W. Fairmont Pkwy. – La Porte, Texas 77571) – or by e-mail or regular mail when you call #281-470-5072.