



# AGENDA REPORT

**Department:** Community Development  
**Prepared by:** Armando Vergara, Director  
**Meeting Date:** Tuesday, February 7, 2023  
**Approved by:** Brad Raulston, City Manager

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**SUBJECT:**

Public Hearing and Introduction of Multiple Ordinances Amending the National City Municipal Code Chapters 15.08, 15.14, 15.20, 15.24, 15.28, 15.75, 15.78, and 15.79 related to California Codes for Fire, Electrical, Energy, Building, Plumbing, Mechanical,

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Introduce the Ordinances for the 2022 California Fire Code and the National Fire Protection Association Standards; the 2022 California Building Code; the 2022 California Electrical Code and 2020 National Electrical Code; the 2022 California Energy Code; Appendix J of the 2022 California Building Code, and Amending Chapter 15.70 (Grading) of the National City Municipal Code; the 2022 California Green Building Standards Code; the 2022 California Mechanical Code; the 2022 California Plumbing Code; and the 2022 California Residential Code and all Appendices related to these Codes; receive public input; and schedule for the meeting of February 21, 2023, for consideration and adoption.

**BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:**

Not Applicable.

**EXPLANATION:**

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to introduce Ordinances for the 2022 California Fire Code and the National Fire Protection Association Standards; the 2022 California Building Code; the 2022 California Electrical Code and 2020 National Electrical Code; the 2022 California Energy Code; Appendix J of the 2022 California Building Code, and Amending Chapter 15.70 (Grading) of the National City Municipal Code; the 2022 California Green Building Standards Code; the 2022 California Mechanical Code; the 2022 California Plumbing Code; and the 2022 California Residential Code and all Appendices related to these Codes. Adoption of these model codes by reference is authorized by Government Code Sections 50022.2 through 50022.4, and Section 6066.

State law requires that the City of National City adopt the same model codes as the State of California and limit technical amendments to those necessitated due to local topographical, geographical or climatic conditions. Specific findings regarding local technical amendments must be made by the local jurisdiction and filed with the Department of Housing and Community Development. State law does not restrict local amendments to the administrative provisions of the codes. In order to simplify construction in National City, staff is recommending that the model codes be adopted with minimal revisions.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

Not applicable.

**RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:**

Housing and Community Development

**ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:**

This is not a project under CEQA and is therefore not subject to environmental review.CCR15378;  
PRC 21065.

**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:**

Agenda Report posted within 72 hours of meeting date and time in accordance with Brown Act.  
Published in The Star News, on City Website and Posted on Bulletin Boards at City Hall.

**ORDINANCE:**

First Reading and Adoption

**EXHIBITS:**

Exhibit A – Ordinance 2022 California Mechanical Code

Exhibit B – Ordinance 2022 California Building Code

Exhibit C – Ordinance 2022 California Electrical & 2020 National Electrical Code

Exhibit D – Ordinance 2022 California Energy Code

Exhibit E – Ordinance 2022 California Green Buildings Standards Code

Exhibit F – Ordinance 2022 California Plumbing Code

Exhibit G – Ordinance 2022 California Residential Code

Exhibit H – Ordinance 2022 California Fire Code