



AGENDA REPORT

Department: Fire Department
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Meeting Date: Tuesday, December 2, 2025
Approved by: Alejandro Hernandez, Acting City Manager

SUBJECT:

Public Hearing and Introduction of an Ordinance Adopting the 2025 California Fire Code and the Appendices Thereto, Adopting the National Fire Protection Association Standards, and Amending Chapter 15.28 of the National City Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDATION:

Introduce the Ordinance Entitled, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of National City, California, Adopting the 2025 California Fire Code and the Appendices Thereto, Adopting the National Fire Protection Association Standards, and Amending Chapter 15.28 of the National City Municipal Code.

BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE PRIOR ACTION:

Not Applicable.

EXPLANATION:

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to introduce the Ordinance for adopting the 2025 California Fire Code and the appendices thereto, adopting the National Fire Protection Association Standards, and amending Chapter 15.28 of the National City Municipal Code. 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 National City Fire Department. State law does not restrict local amendments to the administrative provisions of these codes. In order to adhere to State law and ensure safety standards throughout the construction process, staff is recommending that these model codes be adopted with minimal revisions.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

There would be no fiscal impact to the City, as changes would not result in the need for additional permits or fees.

RELATED CITY COUNCIL 2020-2025 STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL:

Public Safety

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW:

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

PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:

The Agenda Report was posted at least 72 hours before the Regular Meeting date and time, and 24 hours before a Special Meeting in accordance with the Ralph M. Brown Act.

ORDINANCE:

First Reading

EXHIBIT:

Exhibit A - Ordinance