

County of El Dorado

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Legislation Text

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- 1) Adopt and authorize the Chair to sign Resolutions that ratify Ordinances adopted by each of the following Districts to reflect changes to the California Fire Code, 2022 Edition; delegate the enforcement of the Ordinances to the respective Fire Department Chief; and rescind the previous Resolutions Adopted in 2020:
- a) Resolution 134-2023 Lake Valley Fire Protection District
- b) Resolution 135-2023 Meeks Bay Fire Protection District; and
- c) Resolution 136-2023 Mosquito Fire Protection District; and
- 2) Direct Staff to transmit the Board's determination to each District within 15 days of the determination.

FUNDING: N/A

DISCUSSION / BACKGROUND

Every three (3) years the State updates the California Fire Code (Code). The Code applies Statewide. Although local jurisdictions do not have the authority to modify the Code they may adopt additional or more stringent requirements as are reasonably necessary due to local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions.

In El Dorado County, there are twelve special Districts that provide fire protection services. With this item, the Building Division has received updated Code Ordinances from three (3) districts; Lake Valley, Meeks Bay and Mosquito. Earlier this year, the Board adopted Resolutions for updated Fire Codes for six (6) other districts (Cameron Park Community Services District, Diamond Spring-El Dorado Fire Protection District, El Dorado County Fire Protection District, El Dorado Hills County Water District, Pioneer Fire Protection District, and Rescue Fire Protection District).

On December 2, 2014 (File No. 14-1478, Item No. 32) the Board approved and adopted Resolutions 212-2014, 213-204, 2014-2014, 215-2014, 216-2014, 217-2014, 218-2014, 219-2014, 220-2014 to reflect changes to the 2014 Code.

On February 7, 2017 (File No. 16-1189, Item No. 24) the Board approved and adopted Resolutions 011-2017, 012-2017, 013-2017, 014-2017, 015-2017, 016-2017, 017-2017, 018-2017, 019-2017 and 020-2017 to reflect changes to the 2017 Code.

On March 10, 2020 (File No. 20-0203, Item No. 19), the Board approved and adopted Resolutions 035-2020, 036-2020, 037-2020, 038-2020, 039-2020, 040-2020, 041-2020, 042-2020, 043-2020, 044-2020 and 045-2020 to reflect changes to the 2020 Code.

On January 3, 2023 (File No. 23-0015, Item No. 21), the Board approved and adopted Resolutions 007-2023, 008-2023, 009-2023, 010-2023, 011-2023 and 012-2023 to reflect changes to the 2023 Code.

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code Section 13869.7(c), the legislative body of the city or county

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where these ordinances will apply must ratify, modify or deny the adopted ordinances. Planning and Building Department, Building Division, is recommending the Board, by Resolution, ratify the ordinances adopted by each of the districts and delegate the enforcement of each ordinance to their respective fire protection district chief. Each resolution rescinds the previous Board resolution adopted in 2020.

ALTERNATIVES

The Board may choose to modify or deny an adopted Fire Protection District Ordinance as identified in California Health and Safety Code Section 13869.7(c) and direct staff to transmit its determination to each District within 15 days of the determination. Any modifications or denial of an adopted Ordinance shall include a written statement describing the reasons for any modifications or denial.

PRIOR BOARD ACTION

See Discussion / Background Above

OTHER DEPARTMENT / AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

County Counsel and El Dorado County Fire Prevention Officer's Association

CAO RECOMMENDATION / COMMENTS

Approve as recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no direct fiscal impact to the County associated with this item.

CLERK OF THE BOARD FOLLOW UP ACTIONS

- 1) Clerk of the Board to obtain the Chair's signature on each of the six (3) County Resolutions.; and
- 2) Clerk of the Board will return a fully executed copy of each Resolution to Tom Burnette, Deputy Director of Building/Building Official.

STRATEGIC PLAN COMPONENT

Good Governance: Evaluate requests and recommendations based on complete assessment of the best available information, with the goal of reaching well informed decisions.

CONTACT

Tom Burnette, Deputy Director of Building/Building Official Planning and Building Department