

Chapter 15.24

FIRE PREVENTION ~~Repealed by Ordinance~~

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15.24.010 Fire Prevention Regulations ~~Adopted by reference.~~

Please refer to Article III of Chapter 8.50 for the regulations pertaining to Fire Prevention. That edition of the Uniform Fire Code, sponsored by the International Conference of Building Officials and Western Fire Chiefs Association, and adopted by the State Fire Marshal, will also be adopted by the city on January 1st following the date adopted by the state. Copies will be on file in the office of the city clerk and fire chief. The city council may amend such code by resolution. Such adoption refers to all regulations and requirements contained therein including the issuance of permits and collection of fees. (Ord. 375 (part), 2000)

~~15.24.020~~ ~~Definitions.~~

Whenever the following words or phrases are used in the Uniform Fire Code, they shall have the following meanings:

"Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention" means the fire marshal.

"Corporation counsel" means the attorney for the city of Angels.

"Municipality" means the city of Angels, California. (Ord. 375 (part), 2000)

~~15.24.025~~ ~~Authorization to designate very high fire hazard severity zones.~~

A.—The fire chief is authorized to designate very high fire hazard severity zones within one hundred twenty days of receiving recommendations from the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

B.—The fire chief may designate areas not identified by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection following a finding supported by substantial evidence in the record that the requirements for very high fire hazard severity zones are necessary for effective fire protection within the area.

C.—The fire chief may decline to designate areas identified by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection as very high hazard severity zones following a finding supported by substantial evidence in the record that the requirements for very high hazard severity zones are not necessary for effective fire protection within the area.

D.—The building official shall enforce the provisions of Section 3203, Title 24 California Code of Regulations, in all very high hazard severity zones designated by the fire chief. (Ord. 342 §§1-4, 1995).

~~15.24.080~~ ~~Appeals.~~

Whenever the chief disapproves an application or refuses to grant a permit applied for, or when it is claimed that provisions of the code do not apply or that the true intent and meaning of the code have been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, the applicant may appeal from the decision of the chief to the city council within thirty days from the date of the decision appealed. Such appeal shall be in writing and explain in what particulars the appellant alleges such portions of the code do not apply, and in which respect such portions of the code have been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted. Such written appeal shall be filed with the city clerk. The review of the appeal shall include findings of fact, any potential setting of precedence, and any legal or liability issues. (Ord. 302 (part), 2002; Ord. 388, 2002; Ord. 375 (part), 2000)

~~15.24.090~~ ~~New materials, processes or occupancies which may require permits.~~

The city council may, as the need arises, select a committee to determine and specify, after giving affected persons an opportunity to be heard, any new materials, processes or occupancies for which permits are required in addition to those now enumerated in said code. The chief of the bureau of fire prevention shall post such list in a conspicuous place in his office, and distribute copies thereof to interested persons. (Ord. 306 §9, 1990)

~~15.24.100~~ ~~Violation—Penalties.~~

~~A. Any person who violates any of the provisions of the code or standards adopted by the ordinance codified in this chapter, or who fails to comply therewith, or who violates or fails to comply with any order made thereunder, or who builds in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder, and from which no appeal has been taken, or who fails to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the city or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed by the code and standards adopted by the ordinance codified in this chapter, shall severally for each and every such violation and noncompliance, respectively, be guilty of a misdemeanor.~~

~~B. The imposition of one penalty for any violation shall not excuse the violation or permit it to continue, and all such persons are required to correct or remedy such violations or defects within a reasonable time, and when not otherwise specified, each ten days that prohibited conditions are maintained constitute a separate offense.~~

~~C. The application of the above penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions. (Ord. 514 §3 (Att. G), 2021; Ord. 306 §10, 1990)~~