

**ORDINANCE NO. 1200**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING PROVISIONS OF THE COACHELLA MUNICIPAL CODE IN TITLE 15 BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION, CHAPTER 15.24 REGARDING TITLE 24 PART 9 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE. CITY-INITIATED.**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the authority granted to the City of Coachella (“City”) by Article XI, Section 7 of the California Constitution, the City has the police power to regulate building permitting and construction within the City in a manner designed to promote public convenience and general prosperity, as well as public health, welfare, and safety; and,

**WHEREAS**, adoption and enforcement of comprehensive fire code regulations lies within the City’s police power; and,

**WHEREAS**, the subject Municipal Code Amendment is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2), 15060(c)(3), and 15061(b)(3). The activity is not subject to CEQA because it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment; the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378 of the California Public Resources Code, and the activity is covered by the general rule that CEQA applies only to projects, which have the potential for causing a significant impact on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA; and,

**WHEREAS**, the City Council considered the findings and facts related to adoption of the 2022 California Fire Code at the regular City Council meeting of November 9, 2022.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COACHELLA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1. Incorporation of Recitals.** The City Council of the City of Coachella, California, hereby finds that the foregoing recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein as substantive findings of this Ordinance.

**SECTION 2. Amendment to the Coachella Municipal Code.** is hereby amended to include the underlined text and delete text in strike-out as identified in “Exhibit A”

**SECTION 3. CEQA.** The City Council finds that this Ordinance is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2) (the activity will not result in a direct or reasonable foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment) and 15060(c)(3) (the activity is not a project as defined in Section 15378) of the CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations Title 14, Chapter 3, because it has no potential for resulting in physical change to the environment, directly or indirectly.

**SECTION 4. Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption.

**SECTION 5. Severability.** If any section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance, or any part thereof is for any reason held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance or any part thereof. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more section, subsection, subdivision, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase be declared unconstitutional.

**SECTION 6. Certification.** The City Clerk shall certify the passage of this Ordinance and shall cause the same to be entered in the book of original ordinances of said City; shall make a minute passage and adoption thereof in the records of the meeting at which time the same is passed and adopted; and shall, within fifteen (15) days after the passage and adoption thereof, cause the same to be published as required by law, in a local newspaper of general circulation and which is hereby designated for that purpose.

**ORDINANCE PASSED AND APPROVED** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Coachella this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2022.

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Steven Hernandez, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Angela M. Zepeda, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Carlos Campos, City Attorney

I, Angela M. Zepeda, City Clerk, City of Coachella, California, certify that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the City Council at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022 and was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Angela M. Zepeda, City Clerk