



City of Grass Valley City Council Agenda Action Sheet

Title: Introduction of Ordinance to adopt the 2025 California Building Standards Code and amend the City of Grass Valley Municipal Code, Title 15, Chapters 15.02 to 15.06.

CEQA: Not a project

Recommendation: That Council; 1) hold the public hearing, 2) waive the reading of the ordinance in its entirety and read by title only, and introduce ordinance 838 to amend Municipal Code Chapters 15.02 to 15.06 that incorporates the 2022 California Building Standards Code.

Prepared by: Jon May, Building Official

Council Meeting Date: November 12, 2025

Date Prepared: November 3, 2025

Agenda: Public Hearing

Background Information: The City currently relies on the 2022 California Building Standards Code (CBSC) and local amendments to these codes to operate its building and fire related construction programs. The State of California typically updates the CBSC every three (3) years as the building industry adjusts to address building safety, new materials, construction methods, and state legislative mandates. In July of 2025, the California Building Standards Commission adopted the 2025 CBSC, or Title 24. This approval requires all municipalities in the State to repeal the 2022 codes and adopt the 2025 version. The codes being recommended for adoption include the 2025 Building Standards Code, Title 24 Parts 1 through 12; 2024 International Swimming Pool and Spa Code; 2024 International Property Maintenance Code, and the City's local amendments. If the 2025 codes are not approved by a municipality, they become automatically adopted for that community without the benefit of local amendments.

As with most communities, the City of Grass Valley approves each updated version of the California Building Code with certain amendments. The 2025 CBSC includes changes compared to past cycles. The 2025 CBSC includes a new Wildland-Urban Interface Code, whose purpose is to establish minimum standards to mitigate risk to life and structures from wildfire exposure. The Code requirements in the Wildland-Urban Interface Codes are similar to the requirements previously found elsewhere in several chapters of the California Residential Building Code and the California Building Code. Staff continues to support the local amendments as they were adopted in past code updates. The local amendments proposed for both the Building and Fire codes continue with the same amendments as in past years.

Council Goals/Objectives: Goal 6: Provide a safe place to live, work, and play.

Fiscal Impact: No fiscal impact to the City.

Funds Available: N/A

Account #: N/A

Reviewed by: _____ City Manager

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1 Ordinance No: 838