



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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DATE: October 6, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Douglas L. White, City Attorney

SUBJECT: Waive First Reading, Read by Title Only, and Introduce Ordinance No. 909 of the Sonora City Council Clarifying Ordinance No. 905; Repealing Chapter 8.30, Emergency Services; and Repealing and Replacing Chapter 2.28, Emergency Services (Reserved) of the Sonora Municipal Code

RECOMMENDATION

Waive First Reading, Read by Title Only, and Introduce Ordinance No. 909 Clarifying Ordinance No. 905; Repealing Chapter 8.30, Emergency Services; and Repealing and Replacing Chapter 2.28, Emergency Services (Reserved) of the Sonora Municipal Code.

BACKGROUND

During the City of Sonora ("City") Council meeting on July 21, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution 07-21-2025-C, which adopted the City's updated 2025 Emergency Operations Plan. The Resolution's recitals indicate that Chapter 2.28, Emergency Services, will replace Chapter 8.30, Emergency Services, of the Sonora Municipal Code.

During the same City Council meeting on July 21, 2025, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 905. The recitals of Ordinance No. 905 state, "[T]he City Council wishes to adopt the updated Emergency Operations Plan by replacing 8.30 and adding Chapter 2.28 of the Sonora Municipal Code to reflect current standards, procedures, and organizational structures for emergency management." The proposed text for Chapter 2.28 was included as Appendix 2 in the agenda packet for the City Council meeting on July 21, 2025.

DISCUSSION

The proposed Ordinance provides clarification about the changes that Ordinance No. 905 intended for the Sonora Municipal Code. First, the proposed Ordinance repeals Chapter 8.30, Emergency Services, of the Sonora Municipal Code. Second, the proposed Ordinance repeals the current Chapter 2.28, Emergency

Services (Reserved), and replaces the current Chapter 2.28 with a new Chapter 2.28, Emergency Services. The proposed Ordinance also provides the language for the new Chapter 2.28, Emergency Services.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the proposed Ordinance. Resolution 07-21-2025-C already adopted the City's updated 2025 Emergency Operations Plan, and the proposed Ordinance updates the Sonora Municipal Code to align with the City's updated 2025 Emergency Operations Plan.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance No. 909
2. Resolution 07-21-2025-C
3. Ordinance No. 905

CORE COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Public Safety and Disaster Preparedness.