November 15, 2022

Honorable Board of Supervisors
Marin County Civic Center
San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT: Proposed Ordinance to amend Title 19 of Marin County Code and adopt the 2022 California Building Standards Code with local amendments.

Dear Supervisors:

RECOMMENDATION:
1. Conduct public hearing.
2. Consider adopting proposed Ordinance with an effective date of January 1, 2023.

SUMMARY: On October 18th 2022 your Board heard the first reading of the proposed Ordinance to adopt and amend the 2022 California Building Standards Code, (California Code of Regulations TITLE 24), as currently provided by Resolution 2020-23 (2020) and Ordinance 3718 (2019) in Marin County Code (MCC) Title 19; with the effective date of our local amendments proposed to coincide with the January 1, 2023 effective date of the California Building Standards Code regulated by statute. Passage of this proposed Ordinance will prevent any discrepancy between the effective date of the State Code and the effective date of our local amendments, thereby preventing a window wherein our local amendments are legally unenforceable.

The proposed Ordinance also maintains building regulations for tiny houses, light straw-clay construction and strawbale construction; includes regulations for cob (monolithic adobe) and 3-D printed building construction; while maintaining enforcement of Marin’s local requirements governing exterior wildfire exposure and fire protection systems, emergency escape and rescue openings, fire classification of roof coverings, floating homes, limited-density owner-built rural dwellings, and the International Property Maintenance Code.

EQUITY IMPACT: This proposed Ordinance is equity neutral.

FISCAL IMPACT: This action does not impact the General Fund.
REVIEWED BY:  ☑ County Administrator  ☐ N/A
  ☐ Department of Finance  ☑ N/A
  ☑ County Counsel  ☐ N/A
  ☐ Human Resources  ☑ N/A

SIGNATURE:  William P. Kelley
  Deputy Director, Building and Safety

Attachments:  Proposed Ordinance amending MCC Title 19 (Attachment 1)
  Text of proposed code changes (Attachment 2)