

## MARIN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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Marin County Board of Supervisors 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

SUBJECT:

Proposed Ordinance to revise Title 19 of the Marin County Code for the purpose of adopting and amending the 2010 California Building Standards Code, and performing recommended maintenance of Title 19 for the purpose of updating existing provisions and correcting duplicate, conflicting or obsolete provisions.

Dear Board Members:

**RECOMMENDATION:** Conduct merit hearing for the proposed Ordinance (Attachment 1) and adopt proposed Ordinance with an effective date of January 1, 2011.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed Ordinance adopts and amends the 2010 California Building Standards Code, (TITLE 24, California Code of Regulations), as currently established by Ordinance 3478 (2007) in Marin County Code (MCC) Title 19. It also retains prior local amendments and sets the effective date of our local amendments to coincide with the effective date of the California Building Standards Code regulated by statute. Passage of this proposed Ordinance will prevent a 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.

In addition to the local amendments, other changes proposed by the Ordinance are as follows:

 Clarification of administrative provisions affecting the definition and treatment of substandard and unsafe buildings, name and function of appeals boards, consistency of penalties for violations of Title 19, and consistency of permit and application extensions.

- Update of existing local energy efficiency requirements to reflect changes in state energy code standards and the inclusion of existing local green building provisions, as well as construction and demolition recycling and reuse provisions, to be compatible with mandated California Green Building Standards Code requirements.
- Update of the provisions of our existing floating home requirements for the purpose of keeping it current with the State's building standards and improving its usefulness.
- Recommended cleanup of duplicate, conflicting, unnecessary, obsolete or unused provisions of Title 19, enhancing the functionality of this Title.

FISCAL/STAFFING IMPACT: None

**REVIEWED BY:** [ ] Auditor-Controller

[X] County Counsel

[ ] Human Resources

[X] N/A

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[X] N/A

Respectfully submitted,

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## **ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1. Proposed Ordinance amending MCC Title 19 (including EXHIBIT A)
- 2. Mark-up version of proposed amendments showing changes