
Resilient City Development Measures Zoning Code Text Amendment

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- Zoning Code text amendment to add the following sections to Chapter 20-16, Resilient City Development Measures:
 - ✓ 20-16.060 (Reduced Review Authority for Certain Uses)
 - ✓ 20-16.070 (Modifications to the Design Review Process)
 - ✓ 20-16.080 (Changes to an Approved Residential, Lodging or Childcare Facility Project)

- December 5, 2017: Council study session
- February 1, 2018: Design Review Board report
- February 8, 2018: Planning Commission unanimous recommendation of approval
- April 3, 2018: Council public hearing – continuance of reduced review authority items
- April 10, 2018: Council adoption of Chapter 20-16

- Council direction: Provide specific criteria for those projects that would receive reduced review authority.
- Amendments to Design Review Process:
 - ✓ Reduced review authority only with on-site affordable housing or within a Priority Development Area
 - ✓ Neighborhood meeting required

- Council direction: Require that Zoning Administrator meetings for affected projects be held in the evening.
- Added section:
 - ✓ Require that any Zoning Administrator meetings for projects submitted pursuant to this Chapter would be held, as needed, at or after 5:00 p.m., at City Hall

- Council direction: Include Emergency Shelters in the list of uses for reduced review authority, with the exception of the Open Space zoning districts.
- Amendments:
 - ✓ Emergency shelters have been added back to Section 20-16.060 (reduced review authority)
 - ✓ References to the City's two Open Space zoning districts have been removed

- Council direction: Require monthly reports to the Council on implementation of the ordinance.
- The purpose of the Zoning Code is to provide standards, regulations and requirements for development.
- Reports on implementation are not the purpose.
- Staff is committed to providing monthly reports to the Council.

It is recommended by the Planning Commission and the Planning and Economic Development Department that the Council:

- Introduce an ordinance amending Title 20 of the Santa Rosa City Code, adding Sections 20-16.060 through 20-16.090 to Chapter 20-16, Resilient City Development Measures, to address housing needs and economic development within the City of Santa Rosa following the Tubbs and Nuns fires of October 2017.

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