

RESOLUTION NO. RES-2025-172

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ROSA SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED ADOPTION, BY REFERENCE, OF PORTIONS OF THE 2025 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND THE 2025 CALIFORNIA WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES

WHEREAS, THE Fire Code of the City of Santa Rosa is set forth in Title 18 of the Santa Rosa City Code; and

WHEREAS, in January 2025, the State of California Building Standards Commission adopted building and safety codes with amendments and published them as California Codes; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 California codes were published on July 1, 2025, and will take effect on January 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, staff participated in the Sonoma County Fire Prevention Officer's Fire Code Committee to create a consensus document to be utilized county-wide by cities, fire districts and the County in an effort to ensure uniformity in requirements; and

WHEREAS, local jurisdictions may amend the codes only upon an express finding that such amendments are reasonably necessary because of local topographic, geologic, or climatic conditions; and

WHEREAS, the Fire Department proposes adoption by reference of the 2025 California Fire Code and 2025 California Wildland-Urban Interface Code with local amendments and repeal of selected chapter and sections of the Santa Rosa City Code that are obsolete or no longer relevant, to be effective January 1, 2026, or as soon thereafter as possible; and

WHEREAS, A public hearing is planned for November 18, 2025, subject to Council adoption of the resolution.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Santa Rosa sets a public hearing during its regular meeting on November 18, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., or a soon thereafter as the item is reached on the agenda, for the proposed adoption by reference, with local amendments as appropriate, of the 2025 California Fire Code and the 2025 California Wildland-Urban Interface Code.

IN COUNCIL DULY PASSED this 21st day of October, 2025.

AYES: (7) Mayor Stapp, Vice Mayor Alvarez, Council Members Bañuelos, Fleming,
MacDonald, Okrepkie, Rogers

NOES: (0)

ABSENT: (0)

ABSTAIN: (0)

RECUSE: (0)

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
City Clerk Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM: _____
City Attorney