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[San Francisco Building Code - Repealing and Replacing]

Ordinance repealing the 2007 San Francisco Building Code in its entirety and replacing that Code with a new 2010 San Francisco Building Code that consists of the 2010 California Building Code and San Francisco amendments thereto; adopting findings of local conditions pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 17958.7, and directing the Clerk of the Board to forward San Francisco's amendments and findings to the State Building Standards Commission; making environmental findings; and providing for an operative date of January 1, 2011.

Note:

Additions are <u>single-underline italics Times New Roman</u>; deletions are <u>strikethrough italics Times New Roman</u>.

Board amendment additions are <u>double underlined</u>.

Board amendment deletions are <u>strikethrough normal</u>.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Environmental Findings. The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this Ordinance are in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 100946 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Section 2. General Findings.

A. The State of California adopts a new California Building Standards Code every three years that goes into effect throughout the State 180 days after publication. The California Building Standards Code is contained in Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, and consists of several parts that are based upon model codes with amendments made by various State agencies with jurisdiction. The California Building Code is Part 2 of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations. The 2010 California Building Code will go into effect throughout the State on

January 1, 2011.

- B. Local jurisdictions are required to enforce the California Building Code. Local jurisdictions may also enact more stringent standards than those contained in the California Building Code where more stringent standards are reasonably necessary because of local conditions caused by climate, geology or topography.
- C. As in past State code adoption cycles, in this Ordinance San Francisco repeals its existing San Francisco Building Code in its entirety and enacts a new 2010 San Francisco Building Code. The proposed 2010 San Francisco Building Code consists of the 2010 California Building Code together with the San Francisco amendments thereto.
- D. On August 18, 2010, at a duly noticed public hearing, the Building Inspection Commission considered this legislation.
 - Section 3. Findings regarding Local Conditions.
- A. California Health & Safety Code Section 17958.7 provides that before making any changes or modifications to the California Building Code and any other applicable provisions published by the State Building Standards Commission, the governing body must make an express finding that each such change or modification is reasonably necessary because of specified local conditions, and the findings must be filed with the State Building Standards Commission before the local changes or modifications can go into effect.
- B. The City and County of San Francisco is unique among California communities with respect to local climatic, geological, topographical, and other conditions. A specific list of findings that support San Francisco's modifications to the 2010 California Building Code and a section-by-section correlation of each modification with a specific numbered finding are contained in Exhibit A entitled "Standard Findings for San Francisco Amendments."
- C. Pursuant to California Health & Safety Code Section 17958.7, the Board of Supervisors finds and determines that the local conditions described in Exhibit A constitute a

general summary of the most significant local conditions giving rise to the need for modification of the 2010 California Building Code provisions published by the State Building Standards Commission. The Board of Supervisors further finds and determines that the proposed modifications are reasonably necessary based on the local conditions set forth in Exhibit A.

Section 4. 2010 San Francisco Building Code. The San Francisco Building Code provides minimum standards to safeguard life or limb, health, property and public welfare by regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, use and occupancy, location, maintenance and demolition of all buildings and structures, and quarrying, grading, excavation and filling of land in the City and County of San Francisco. The 2007 San Francisco Building Code is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced with a new 2010 San Francisco Building Code that consists of the 2010 California Building Code and the San Francisco amendments thereto. A copy of the 2010 California Building Code as modified by San Francisco is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 100946 and is hereby declared to be part of this Ordinance as if set forth fully therein. Additions to the 2010 California Building Code are shown in bold type; deletions are shown with strikethrough.

Section 5. Continuance of Actions Under Prior Code. Nothing contained in this Ordinance shall be construed as abating any action now pending under or by virtue of any ordinance of the City and County of San Francisco hereby repealed, nor shall this Ordinance be construed as discontinuing, abating, modifying or altering any penalties accruing, or to accrue, or as waiving any right of the City under any ordinance in force at the time of passage of this Ordinance that regulates and controls the design, construction, quality of materials, use and occupancy, location, maintenance and demolition of all buildings and structures, and quarrying, grading, excavation and filling of land in the City and County of San Francisco.

Section 6. Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the

validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared unconstitutional.

Section 7. Operative Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in full force on and after either January 1, 2011 or its effective date if the effective date is later.

Section 8. Directions to Clerk. Upon final passage of this Ordinance, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to transmit this Ordinance, the San Francisco modifications to the 2010 California Building Code, and Exhibit A to the State Building Standards Commission pursuant to the applicable provisions of State law.

APPROVED AS TO FORM: DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: MOMA (X.)

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Deputy City Attorney

LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

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Existing Law

The San Francisco Building Code regulates and controls the design, construction, quality of materials, use and occupancy, location, maintenance and demolition of all buildings and structures, and quarrying, grading, excavation and filling of land in the City and County of San Francisco. The current Code consists of the 2006 International Building Code, as amended by the 2007 California Building Code, and as further amended by San Francisco.

Amendments to Current Law

On January 1, 2011, the 2010 California Building Code will go into effect throughout the State of California. As in past State code adoption cycles, San Francisco will repeal its existing Building Code in its entirety and adopt a new San Francisco Building Code that consists of the new California Building Code and San Francisco's local amendments. The 2010 San Francisco Building Code carries forward the amendments made to the 2007 California Building Code and makes no additional substantive changes to the building standards. Some amendments have been made to the local administrative provisions contained in Chapter 1A.

The San Francisco amendments are not integrated into the text of the California Building Code but rather are separately printed in a stand-alone document. Therefore, the user must consult both texts in order to determine the complete code requirement. In the San Francisco amendments, additions to the 2010 California Building Code are shown in bold type; deletions are shown with strikethrough.

Background Information

Generally, the State of California adopts a new California Building Standards Code every three years that goes into effect throughout the State 180 days after publication. The California Building Standards Code is contained in Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, and consists of several parts that are based upon model codes with

amendments made by various State agencies with jurisdiction. The California Building Code is Part 2 of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations. The 2010 California Building Code will go into effect throughout the State on January 1, 2011.

Local jurisdictions are required to enforce the California Building Code. Local jurisdictions may also enact more stringent requirements than those contained in the State Code where more stringent requirements are reasonably necessary because of local conditions caused by climate, geology, or topography. The local amendments are not effective until findings supporting any amendments, additions, or deletions to the State Code are adopted and sent to the State Building Standards Commission. Any amendments that San Francisco made to the 2007 California Building Code will not apply to the 2010 California Building Code unless and until those amendments are readopted and sent to the State Building Standards Commission.



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Certificate of Determination Exemption from Environmental Review

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2010 San Francisco Building Codes Proposed Amendments Citywide

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The proposed project includes the updates to the San Francisco Building, Electrical, Plumbing, and Mechanical Codes through the adoption of local amendments to the 2010 California Building Standard Codes. The California Building Code is Part 2, the California Residential Code is Part 2.5, the California Electrical Code is Part 3, the California Mechanical Code is Part 4, the California Plumbing Code is Part 5, and the California Green Building Code is Part 11 of 12 parts of the official compilation and publication of the adopted amendment and repeal of the building regulations to the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, also referred to as the California Building Standards Code. The California Building Code incorporates by adoption the 2009 International Building Code with necessary California amendments. The other codes are likewise based upon model codes amended by California. Local jurisdictions are required by State law to enforce the California Building Codes, and are allowed some discretion under the California Health and Safety Code with respect to local amendments. (continued on next page)

EXEMPT STATUS:

General Rule Exclusion [State Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3)].

DETERMINATION:

I do hereby certify that the above determination has been made pursuant to State and Local requirements.

Bill Wycko

Environmental Review Officer

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EXHIBIT A

STANDARD FINDINGS FOR SAN FRANCISCO BUILDING STANDARDS CODE AMENDMENTS:

- Certain buildings/occupancies in San Francisco are at increased risk for earthquake-induced failure and consequent fire due to local hazardous microzones, slide areas, and local liquefaction hazards. (Geology)
- 2. Certain buildings/occupancies in San Francisco are at increased risk of fire due to high density of buildings on very small lots, with many buildings built up to the property lines. (Topography)
- 3. Topography of San Francisco has let to development of a high density of buildings on small lots, necessitating special provisions for exiting, fire separation, or fire-resistive construction. (Topography)
- 4. Many buildings are built on steep hills and narrow streets, requiring special safety consideration. (Topography)
- 5. Additional fire, structural and other protection is required due to high building density and crowded occupancy. (Topography)
- 6. San Francisco has narrow, crowded sidewalks due to building and population density and unusual topography. (Topography)
- 7. All rain water in San Francisco drains to the building drains and sewer; unusual geology, occasional extremely high local rainfall amounts, and the configuration of the City as a peninsula restrict the installation of separate storm water and sewer systems. (Topography, Climate, Geology)
- 8. Moist, corrosive atmosphere of salt-laden fog in San Francisco necessitates additional requirements. (Climate)
- Not a building standard; no local findings required.
- 10. Soil conditions in this region induce adverse reactions with some materials, leading to premature failures and subsequent unsanitary conditions. (Climate)
- 11. The region is subject to fluctuating rainfall due to changes in climatic conditions. (Climate)
- 12. San Francisco is a peninsula surrounded on three sides by water at sea level;

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Kevin Clinch Frank Lee Warren Mar Criss Romero Debra Walker RE: Code amendments to the 2010 California Building, Mechanical, Electrical, Plumbing, Residential & Green Building Codes.

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

Ann Aherne Secretary On August 18, 2010 the Building Inspection Commission held a public hearing on the proposed Code amendments referenced above.

Sonya Harris Asst. Secretary

The Commission voted unanimously (5-0) to recommend that the Board of Supervisors approve the amendments. The Commissioners voted as follows:

Vivian L. Day Director

Vice-President HechanovaYesCommissioner MarYesCommissioner ClinchYesCommissioner WalkerYesCommissioner LeeYesCommissioner Romero, excused

President Murphy, excused

Enclosed please find the Code Advisory Committee's recommendation to the BIC. Under separate cover, copies of the proposed amendments will follow from the Technical Services Division of the Department of Building Inspection. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at 558-6164.

Sincerely,

Sonya Harris Assistant Secretary

Cc:

Mayor Gavin Newsom

Bill Barnes, BOS Rick Caldeira, BOS

Deputy City Attorney John Malamut

Director Vivian Day

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City and County of San Francisco Department of Building Inspection



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August 12, 2010

Building Inspection Commission 1660 Mission Street San Francisco, CA 94103

'RE: Proposed 2010 amendments to the California Building Standards Code, CCR Title 24

Honorable Members of the Commission:

At the regular meeting of August 11, 2010, the full Code Advisory Committee (CAC) deliberated on and unanimously voted to approve, and transmit to the Building Inspection Commission, all of the 2010 San Francisco amendments to the 2010 California Title 24 building codes. This Committee has labored long and arduous hours over the past five months and feels that the work product before you represents the basis for a continuing safe and healthy building environment in San Francisco.

The San Francisco building codes approved by this Committee are:

- 2010 San Francisco Building Code (which includes the amended California Building, Residential, and Green Building Standards Codes)
- 2. 2010 San Francisco Mechanical Code
- 3. 2010 San Francisco Electrical Code
- 4. 2010 San Francisco Plumbing Code

These documents are transmitted to you for your further action and a final approval to send them on to the Board of Supervisors. If you have any questions, please call me at (415) 575-6832.

Respectfully submitted,

Kirk Means

DBI Technical Services Division

Secretary to the Code Advisory Committee

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2010 San Francisco Building Code

Amendments to the

2010 California Building Code 2010 California Green Building Standards Code 2010 California Residential Code

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