

REVISED LEGISLATIVE DIGEST
(Amended in Committee – January 29, 2024)

[Planning, Administrative Codes - Code Corrections Ordinance]

Ordinance amending the Planning and Administrative Codes to correct typographical errors, update outdated cross-references, and make non-substantive revisions to clarify or simplify Code language; affirming the Planning Department’s determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; making findings of consistency with the General Plan and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1; and adopting findings of public necessity, convenience, and general welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

Existing Law

This ordinance amends multiple sections of the Planning and Administrative Codes.

Amendments to Current Law

The ordinance makes non-substantive amendments to multiple sections of the existing Codes in order to (1) correct errors in spelling, grammar, punctuation, content or format, (2) correct outdated cross-references, and make the Code language consistent with previous amendments; and (3) clarify existing text.

Background Information

The Planning Code and Administrative Codes are amended frequently. Although the Planning Department and the City Attorney’s Office review individual ordinances, errors in grammar and syntax, mistakes in cross-references, and accidental additions, omissions and deletions of text occur due to the sheer number of legislative actions and the complexity of the Code. The Department and the City Attorney’s Office collect the Code errors and the Publisher also notes many of them in Codification Notes at the end of the section to which they apply. While many of these errors can be – and are – corrected in subsequent legislation, those errors that have not been corrected or code text clarified through subsequent legislation are recommended to the Board by the Planning Commission in an annual Code Corrections Ordinance.

Earlier versions of this Ordinance contained amendments to Section 121.1 and Section 134 of the Planning Code. Because of the enactment of Ordinance No. 248-23, this ordinance now omits any amendments to Section 121.1. In addition, because Ordinance 248-23 amended Section 134 of the Planning Code, this ordinance reflects amendments to Section 134(d) of the Planning Code as revised by Ordinance 248-23.

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