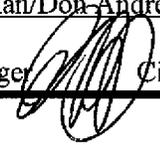
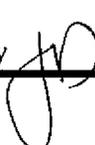




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Prepared By: ^{SN} Steve Newman/Don AndrewsAgenda Item No. **I-12**Reviewed By: City Manager  City Attorney  Finance  Other (Specify) _____

DATE: December 14, 2010

TO: City Council

FROM: ^{W.R.} Rob Roshanian, Building Official/Interim Public Works Director
Development Services DivisionSal Velasquez, Fire Marshal ^{S.V.}
Fire Department**SUBJECT: Ordinance Regarding Building Regulations****RECOMMENDATION**

That City Council approve the first reading by title only and subsequent adoption of an ordinance repealing and reenacting Articles I through IX, XIV, and XV of Chapter 14 of the Oxnard City Code, renumbering Articles X, XI, XII, and XIII of Chapter 14 of the Oxnard City Code to Articles XX, XXI, XXII, and XXIII respectively, and adding Articles X through XIII and Articles XVI through XIX to Chapter 14 of the Oxnard City Code pertaining to the California Building Code, California Residential Code, California Green Building Standards Code, International Property Maintenance Code, Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Buildings, California Historical Building Code, California Electrical Code, California Existing Buildings Code, California Mechanical Code, California Referenced Standards Code, California Plumbing Code, Fire Codes, Fire Sprinklers, Report of Building Records, Moving of Buildings, Swimming Pool Provisions, and Beach Construction.

DISCUSSION

The State of California periodically updates the fire and life safety standards contained in the state's California Building Standards Code. Cities then adopt these updated codes by reference in their building and fire code ordinances to maintain consistency and uniformity in enforcement. The adoption of such codes is categorically exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act.

A city may make modifications to the codes adopted by the state. When this occurs, the city council of that city is required to make express findings of the necessity for the changes due to local climatic, geographical, or topographical conditions. Based on the location of the City of Oxnard, modifications to the codes adopted by the state are necessary. The findings of necessity are included within the body of the ordinance and are further set forth in Exhibit A to the ordinance, entitled "Index and Summary to the California Codes and Amendments."

FINANCIAL IMPACT

The cost of administering the codes that govern construction is recovered by fees. Cost associated with enforcement of these codes by administrative hearing and recourse to the courts is funded within Code Compliance and the City Attorney's Office.

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Attachments will be provided under separate cover.

Attachment 1 - Ordinance

Attachment 2 - Exhibit A (Index and Summary to the California and Codes and Amendments)

Note: Attachments #1 and #2 have been provided to City Council under separate cover. Copies for review are available at the Help Desk in the Library after 6:00 p.m. on Thursday prior to the Council meeting and in the City Clerk's Office after 8:00 a.m. on Monday prior to the Council meeting.