



TITLE 20 AMENDMENT – LEGAL REVIEWER AMENDMENTS

Community & Economic Development Department

**Cultural Heritage Board
Agenda Item: 4
May 20, 2026**

PURPOSE

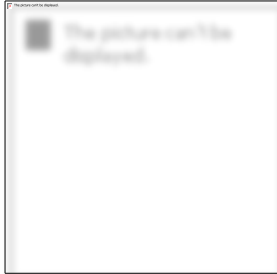


Implement 2024-2025 legal review changes



**Make other minor adjustments, clarifications,
and corrections**

PURPOSE



Implement 2024-2025 legal review changes

**Part of CivicPlus
legal review of entire
Riverside Municipal
Code (RMC)**

**Focus on updating
references to titles and
removing duplicate
language**

CHANGES TO REFERENCES TO RMC TITLES

CURRENT

- Titles of the RMC are known as the [Title Name] Code; can create confusion since only the RMC is a code
 - Title 19 (Zoning)->Zoning Code
- Other modifications to title or RMC references needed to be more concise or clear

PROPOSED

- Remove the word *code* from references to titles
- Make other modifications to title or RMC references where needed



CHANGES TO REFERENCES TO RMC TITLES-EXAMPLES

Current Text	Proposed Text
<p>Section 20.05.L:</p> <p>One of the purposes of Title 20 (Cultural Resources) is “to work in concert with the City’s Zoning Code.”</p>	<p>Section 20.05.L:</p> <p>One of the purposes of Title 20 (Cultural Resources) is “to work in concert with the City’s zoning regulations.”</p>
<p>Section 20.20.080.A:</p> <p>Pursuant to Title 19, upon any designation, the Cultural Resources Overlay Zone applies to the subject property or parcel.</p>	<p>Section 20.20.080.A:</p> <p>Pursuant to Title 19 of this Code, upon any designation, the Cultural Resources Overlay Zone applies to the subject property or parcel.</p>
<p>Section 20.30.010:</p> <p>Only properties designated as cultural resources pursuant to the provisions of Riverside Municipal Code Title 20 shall be eligible to apply for preservation incentives.</p>	<p>Section 20.30.010:</p> <p>Only properties designated as cultural resources pursuant to the provisions of this Title shall be eligible to apply for preservation incentives.</p>

REMOVING TITLE 1 DUPLICATE TEXT

CURRENT

- Several titles of the RMC, including Title 20, duplicate portions of Title 1 (General Provisions)
 - Title 1: Defines how the RMC and city government function

PROPOSED

- Remove Section 20.45.030, containing severability text of Title 1
 - Severability: if any part of a title is found to be invalid, the rest of the title is still considered valid



REMOVING TITLE 1 DUPLICATE TEXT

~~20.45.030 Severability.⁴⁸~~

~~If any section, sentence, clause, or phrase of this title is for any reason held to be invalid by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this title. The City Council declares that it would have passed this ordinance and adopted this title, and each section, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses or phrases be declared invalid.~~

~~(Ord. 7108 §1, 2010)~~

OTHER MINOR CHANGES

provisions of this Title;

~~20.25.080 Reserved.~~

20.15.060 Meeting and notice for Mills Act aApplications.¹
A. No public hearing is required for Mills Act applications.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Cultural Heritage Board recommend that City Council:

- 1. Determine** that Planning Case PC-2026-00408 is exempt from further California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) review pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) (General Rule) of the CEQA Guidelines;
- 2. Approve** Planning Case PC-2026-00408 (Title 20 Zoning Text Amendment) as outlined in the staff report and summarized in the Findings section of this report; and
- 3. Introduce**, and subsequently **adopt**, an Ordinance amending Title 20 (Cultural Resources) of the Riverside Municipal Code.

