

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 16 OF THE RIVERSIDE MUNICIPAL CODE, CHAPTERS 16.04, 16.06, 16.07, 16.08, 16.11, 16.12, AND 16.16 TO ADOPT THE 2016 EDITIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS, MECHANICAL, PLUMBING, AND ELECTRICAL CODES WITH LOCAL AMENDMENT THERETO.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERSIDE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1: Chapter 16.04 Administration Table of Contents is amended as follows:

**“Chapter 16.04**

**ADMINISTRATION**

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**16.04.010 Purpose and Intent.**

**16.04.020 Scope.**

**~~16.04.050 Existing installations.~~**

**16.04.110 Building Official.**

**16.04.210 Authority to condemn building service equipment.**

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**16.04.230 Administrative Hearing Officer.**

**16.04.310 Expiration of permits.**

**16.04.330 Transferability of permits.**

**16.04.335 Expiration of plan review.**

**16.04.365 ~~Emergency Inspections.~~ Afterhours plan review and inspections.**

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**16.04.400 Other refunds.**

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8   **16.04.560      Administrative Citation Appeal Process.**  
9   **16.04.570      Administrative Civil Penalties Appeal Process.**  
10   **16.04.580      Disabled Access Determination Appeal Process.**  
11   **16.04.590      Appeal Process for Other Administrative Actions.”**

12           Section 2:      Section 16.04.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

13   **“Section 16.04.010    Purpose and Intent.**

14           The purpose of Chapters 16.04 through 16.20 is to provide minimum standards to safeguard  
15   ~~life or limb, health, property and public welfare~~ **public health, safety and general welfare** by  
16   regulating the design, construction, quality of materials, use and occupancy, location and  
17   maintenance of buildings, equipment, **appliances,** structures and grading within the City; the  
18   electrical, plumbing, heating, comfort cooling and certain other equipment specifically regulated  
19   herein; and the moving of buildings within, into, from and through the City **and to provide safety**  
20   **to firefighters and emergency responders during emergency operations. Consistent with this**  
21   **purpose, the provisions of this Code are intended and always have been intended to confer a**  
22   **benefit on the community as a whole and are not intended to establish a duty of care toward**  
23   **any particular person.”**

24           Section 3:      Section 16.04.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

25   **“Section 16.04.020    Scope.**

26           The provisions of Chapters 16.04 through 16.20 shall apply to the ~~construction,~~  
27   ~~alteration, moving, demolition, repair and use of any buildings, equipment, or structure~~  
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1 ~~within the City, except public utility towers and poles, hydraulic flood control structures,~~  
2 ~~and other structures owned and used by exempt governmental jurisdictions. erection,~~  
3 ~~construction, enlargement, alteration, installation, reconstruction, repair, movement,~~  
4 ~~improvement, connection, conversion, demolition, and use of any building, structure or~~  
5 ~~premises, or portion thereof, and grading within the City. The provisions of this Code shall~~  
6 ~~not apply to work located primarily in a public way other than pedestrian protection~~  
7 ~~structures required by Chapter 33; public utility towers and poles; equipment not~~  
8 ~~specifically regulated in this Code; hydraulic flood control structures; work exempted by~~  
9 ~~Section 105.2; or minor work of negligible hazard to life specifically exempted by the~~  
10 ~~Building Official. Additions, alterations, repairs and changes of use or occupancy in all~~  
11 ~~buildings and structures shall comply with the provisions for new buildings and structures~~  
12 ~~except as otherwise provided in Chapter 4 of Title 24 Part 10, the California Existing~~  
13 ~~Buildings Code.~~

14 ~~Where in any specific case different sections of Chapters 16.04 through 16.20 specify~~  
15 ~~different materials, methods of construction or installation, or other requirements, those~~  
16 ~~providing the greater safety to life or 16.04-1 Riverside Municipal Code Riverside, California~~  
17 ~~limb, property or public welfare shall prevail. Where, in any specific case, different sections~~  
18 ~~of this Code specify different materials, methods of construction or other requirements, the~~  
19 ~~most restrictive shall govern.~~ Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a  
20 specific requirement, the specific requirement shall be applicable.”

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22 Section 4: Section 16.04.050 Existing Installations is deleted from the Riverside  
23 Municipal in its entirety.

24 Section 5: Section 16.04.110 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
25 **“Section 16.04.110 Building Official.**

26 Whenever the terms “Building Official,” “building inspector,” “plumbing inspector,”  
27 “electrical inspector,” **“mechanical inspector,”** “administrative authority,” **“plan reviewer”** or  
28 “electrical safety engineer” are used in Chapters 16.04 through 16.20 or any other ordinance of the

City, including this Code, each means the Building Official, or his/her designee.”

Section 6: The title of section 16.04.220 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows: **“Section 16.04.220 Connection ~~After to~~ Disconnect.”**

Section 7: Section 16.04.310 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows: **“Section 16.04.310 Expiration of permits.**

Except as otherwise specified, every permit issued by the Building Official under the provisions of Chapters 16.04 through 16.20 shall expire by limitation and become null and void if the work authorized by ~~the~~ such permit is not commenced within one hundred eighty days from the date of ~~such~~ permit issuance, or if the work authorized by such permit is suspended, ~~or~~ abandoned, or without progress at any time after the work is commenced for a period of one hundred eighty days. Progress, shall further be defined as obtaining one or more successful inspections required in accordance with Section 110 of this Code. Prior to a permit’s expiration and upon a showing of good cause by the permit holder in writing, the Building Official may issue one or more extensions for periods not to exceed one hundred eighty calendar days.

A permit for demolition, however, shall expire by limitation and become null and void if the work authorized by the permit is not completed within ~~sixty~~ ninety days from the date of ~~such~~ permit issuance or on the ~~thirtieth~~ sixtieth day after work is commenced, whichever comes sooner.

If a permit was issued in order to bring an un-permitted building, structure or other unlawful, substandard, or hazardous condition into compliance with any applicable law, ordinance or regulation, the Building Official is authorized to establish predetermined time frames upon which the permit shall expire by limitation and become null and void. With good cause, the Building Official may extend the validity of such permit one time for a period not exceeding one hundred eighty days beyond the initial limit upon written request by the applicant filed with the Building Official prior to the expiration date of the original permit.

Before any work ~~can be recommenced~~ may recommence following the expiration of a

1 permit, a **“reactivation”** ~~new~~ permit shall be first obtained, ~~so to do, and the~~ **The** fee therefor  
2 shall be one-half the amount required for a new permit for such work, provided no changes have  
3 been or will be made ~~in to~~ the original plans and specifications for such work; provided further,  
4 that such suspension or abandonment has not ~~exceeded one year~~ **extended beyond the adoption**  
5 **of a new code cycle**; and ~~provided further,~~ that only one such **“reactivation”** permit may be  
6 issued at one-half fee for such work. **Upon the issuance of a “reactivation” permit, the Building**  
7 **Official may allow the applicant to commence or recommence such work from the last**  
8 **successful inspection of record under the original permit.** Except as specifically provided for  
9 herein, in order to recommence work on a permit after expiration thereof, the permittee **holder**  
10 shall obtain a new permit and pay the full fee therefor.

11 ~~Any permittee holding an unexpired permit may apply for an extension of the time within~~  
12 ~~which the permittee may commence work under that permit when said permittee is unable~~  
13 ~~to commence work within the time required by this section for good and satisfactory reasons.~~  
14 ~~The Building Official may extend the time for commencement by the permittee for a period~~  
15 ~~not exceeding one hundred eighty days upon written request by the permittee showing that~~  
16 ~~circumstances beyond the control of the permittee have prevented action from being taken.~~  
17 ~~No permit shall be extended more than once.”~~

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19 Section 8: Section 16.04.330 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

20 **“Section 16.04.330 Transferability of permits.**

21 Any permit issued by the Building Official under the provisions of Chapters 16.04 through  
22 16.20 may be transferred to another person, firm or corporation subject to all requirements of **state**  
23 **law and** the original issuance, and upon payment of a fee as may be established by the City  
24 Council.”

25 Section 9: Section 16.04.335 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

26 **“Section 16.04.335 Expiration of plan review applications.**

27 An application for plan review for which no permit is issued within ~~one hundred eighty~~  
28 ~~days~~ **one year** following the date of such **paid** application shall expire as of the ~~one hundred~~

1 ~~eighty-first~~ three hundred sixty-fifth day, and plans and other data submitted for review may  
2 thereafter be returned to the applicant or destroyed by the Building Official if said plans and data  
3 cannot be reasonably retained. The Building Official may issue one or more extensions of time  
4 ~~extend the time for action by the applicant~~ for a period~~s~~ not to exceeding one hundred eighty  
5 days upon written request by the applicant showing that circumstances beyond the control of the  
6 applicant have prevented action from being taken. ~~A further extension of one hundred eighty~~  
7 ~~days may be granted by the Building Official upon request by the applicant upon a showing~~  
8 ~~that circumstances beyond the control of the applicant have prevented action from being~~  
9 ~~taken~~; provided, however, the applicant must pay a plan review fee of one-half the original such  
10 fee.

11 ~~When a substantial portion of plan review delays are exclusively caused by abnormal~~  
12 ~~processing time requirements of other governmental agencies involved in the plan approval~~  
13 ~~process, the Building Official, with the concurrence of the Planning Director, may grant an~~  
14 ~~additional time extension of not more than one hundred eighty days upon written request~~  
15 ~~from the applicant documenting the reasons for the delays. The Building Official's~~  
16 ~~determination to grant a further time extension shall be based on the following criteria:~~

17 ~~A. Only minor modifications of development standards, including zoning requirements,~~  
18 ~~applicable to the project have occurred since the plans were originally submitted for plan~~  
19 ~~review and such modifications will be incorporated into the plans as required;~~  
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21 ~~B. All other City approvals have been secured at the time the time extension request is made;~~  
22 ~~and~~

23 ~~C. The time extension shall be granted only for the amount of time necessary for the other~~  
24 ~~governmental agency to complete its review and for the project applicant to satisfy the~~  
25 ~~conditions imposed by such agency. The Building Official shall determine the time period~~  
26 ~~needed to meet this criterion.~~

27 No application shall be extended beyond seven hundred twenty days after the original plan  
28 review submittal date. In order to renew action on an application after expiration, the applicant

1 shall resubmit plans and pay a new plan review fee.”

2 Section 10: Section 16.04.365 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

3 **“Section 16.04.365 Emergency inspections Afterhours plan review and inspections.**

4 **At the discretion of the** ~~The Building Official,~~ **the Building and Safety Division** may,  
5 **at his discretion, make emergency inspections perform inspections or complete plan reviews**  
6 **at during** other than normal working hours upon the request of an applicant ~~for inspection.~~ The  
7 charge for ~~an emergency inspection~~ **afterhours plan review or inspection services** shall be two  
8 and one-half times the hourly wage rate of the plan reviewer or inspector ~~making such inspection~~  
9 **for each hour or any portion thereof providing the service, or as otherwise set by resolution**  
10 **of the City Council,** ~~and~~ **Such service for each hour or any portion thereof,** shall be in addition  
11 to any other fees that may have been paid or are due. **Afterhours inspection requests require a**  
12 **minimum two hour service charge.**”

13 Section 11: Section 16.04.374 Permit inspection fees is added to the Riverside  
14 Municipal Code as follows:

15 **“Section 16.04.374 Permit investigation fees.**

16 **Whenever work has commenced without the benefit of a permit as required by the**  
17 **provisions of this code, the Building Official may authorize a special investigation prior to**  
18 **the issuance of the permit. A fee shall be collected for each permit so investigated and prior**  
19 **to permit issuance. The investigation fee may be equal to the cost of the required permit or**  
20 **as otherwise set by resolution of the City Council. The payment of the investigation fee shall**  
21 **not exempt any person from compliance with all other provisions of this code or from any**  
22 **other penalty prescribed by law.**”

23 Section 12: Section 16.04.510 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

24 **“Section 16.04.510 Violations.**

25 It is unlawful for any person to erect, construct, enlarge, alter, repair, move, use, occupy or  
26 maintain any building, structure, equipment, or portion thereof in the City or cause the same to be  
27 done contrary to or in violation of any provision of this Title or any provisions of the building  
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code, ~~building code standards~~, residential code, green code, housing code, mechanical code, plumbing code, electrical code, dangerous buildings abatement code, ~~fire code~~ and fire code standards (hereinafter referred to as the “adopted codes”), as such codes have been adopted in this Title or as they may be duly amended, or any other applicable law or ordinance.”

Section 13: Section 16.06.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

**“Section 16.06.010 Reference to Residential Code.**

This chapter shall be known as the “Residential Code” and may be cited as such. Whenever in this code or any ordinance of the City the phrases “International Residential Code” or “California Residential Code” appears, such phrases shall be deemed and construed to refer to or apply to this chapter in conjunction with Chapter 16.04.”

Section 14: Section 16.06.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

**“Section 16.06.020 California Residential Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

The California Residential Code, ~~2013~~ 2016 Edition, including appendices and any related errata, and any amendments thereto by the State of California in the ~~2013~~ 2016 Edition of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, promulgated by the International Code Council, which regulates the construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, use, and occupancy, location, maintenance, removal and demolition of every detached one-and-two family dwelling, townhouse not more than three stories above grade plane in height with a separate means of egress and structures accessory thereto, is adopted and by this reference is made a part of this code with the force and effect as though set out herein in full, with the exception of those parts expressly excepted and deleted or as amended by this chapter. One copy of the California Residential Code with the amendments thereto by the State of California, which has been certified as a true copy, is on file and open to public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.”

Section 15: Section 16.06.030 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

**“Section 16.06.030 Sections deleted and not adopted.**

The chapters, sections, paragraphs, and parts of the California Residential Code which are



excepted, deleted, and not adopted are:

1. Chapter 1, Division II Sections **R108**, R110.3, **R111**, R112;
2. Appendix A, B, C, D, E, F, G;
3. Appendix I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, **R, S, T, U, V, W.**

**Section 16:** Section 16.07.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
**“Section 16.07.020 California Green Building Standards Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

The California Green Building Standards Code, **2013 2016** Edition, including any related errata, and any amendments thereto by the State of California in the **2013 2016** Edition of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, which regulates the planning, design, operation, use and occupancy of every newly constructed building or structure is adopted and by this reference is made a part of this code with the force and effect as though set out herein in full, with the exception of those parts expressly excepted and deleted or as amended by this chapter. One copy of the California Green Building Standards Code with the amendments thereto by the State of California, which has been certified as a true copy, is on file and open to public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.”

**Section 17:** Section 16.07.030 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
**“Section 16.07.030 Sections deleted and not adopted.**

The chapters, sections, paragraphs and parts of the California Green Building Standards Code which are excepted, deleted and not adopted are:

1. Appendix A4, **and A5 and A6.1.**”

**Section 18:** Chapter 16.08, Building Code Table of Contents is amended as follows:

**“Chapter 16.08  
BUILDING CODE**

**Sections:**

**16.08.010 Reference to Building Code.**

**16.08.020 California Building Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

1    **16.08.030       Sections deleted and not adopted.**

2    **16.08.040       Chapter 1, Division II Section 105.1 amended--Permits.**

3    **16.08.135       Section 107.3.1 amended--Approval of construction documents.**

4    **16.08.145       Section 903 amended--Automatic sprinkler systems.**

5    **16.08.175       Exterior noise insulation standards.**

6    **16.08.185       Geologic investigation required.**

7    ~~**16.08.195       Repair and Reconstruction of Damaged Structures.**~~

8    **16.08.205       Safety Assessment Placards.”**

9           Section 19:    Section 16.08.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

10   **“Section 16.08.010   Reference to Building Code.**

11           This chapter shall be known as the “Building Code” and may be cited as such. Whenever  
12   in this code or any ordinance of the City the phrases “~~Uniform~~ International Building Code” or  
13   “California Building Code” appear, such phrases shall be deemed and construed to refer to or apply  
14   to this chapter in conjunction with Chapter 16.04.”

15           Section 20:    Section 16.08.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

16   **“Section 16.08.020   California Building Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

17           The California Building Code, ~~2013~~ 2016 Edition, consisting of two volumes, including  
18   appendices and any related errata, and any amendments thereto by the State of California in the  
19   ~~2013~~ 2016 Edition of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations, promulgated by the  
20   International Code Council, which regulates the erection, construction, enlargement, alteration,  
21   repair, moving, removal, conversion, demolition, occupancy, equipment, use, height, area and  
22   maintenance of buildings and other structures, is adopted and by this reference is made a part of  
23   this code with the force and effect as though set out herein in full, with the exception of those parts  
24   expressly excepted and deleted or as amended by this chapter. One copy of the California Building  
25   Code with the amendments thereto by the State of California, which has been certified as a true  
26   copy, is on file and open to public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.”

27           Section 21:    Section 16.08.030 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

1   **“Section 16.08.030   Sections deleted and not adopted.**

2           The chapters, sections, paragraphs and parts of the California Building Code which are  
3   excepted, deleted and not adopted are:

- 4           1. Chapter 1, Division II Sections **101.4.4, 105.3.2** ~~105.3~~, 105.5, 109, ~~111.2~~, **112**, 113;  
5           2. Appendix A;  
6           3. Appendix B;  
7           4. Appendix D, E, and F;  
8           5. Appendix H; and  
9           6. Appendix K, L, M.”

10          Section 22:   Section 16.08.135 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

11   **“Section 16.08.135   Section 107.3.1 amended – Approval of construction documents.**

12           Section 107.3.1 of the California Building Code is hereby amended to read as follows:  
13   Section 107.3.1 Approval of construction documents. When the building official issues a permit,  
14   the construction documents shall be approved **for code compliance** in writing or by stamp. One  
15   set of construction documents so reviewed shall be retained by the building official. The other set  
16   shall be returned to the applicant, shall be kept at the site of work and shall be open to inspection  
17   by the building official or a duly authorized representative.”

18          Section 23:   Section 16.08.145 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

19   **“Section 16.08.145   Section 903 amended--Automatic sprinkler systems.**

20           Section 903.2 of the California Building Code is hereby amended in its entirety to read as  
21   follows:

22           **(A)** Section 903.2 Where Required. An automatic fire extinguishing system shall be  
23   installed and maintained in operable condition in the buildings and locations as set forth in this  
24   section. For special provisions on hazardous chemicals, magnesium and calcium carbide, see the  
25   Fire Code.  
26   

27           **(bB)** **All New Buildings.** An automatic sprinkler system shall be installed and maintained  
28   in operable condition in all new buildings. All systems shall conform to the National Fire

Protection Association Standards 13, 13D and 13R and the Riverside Fire Department Standards and Policies.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. Buildings less than 1,000 square feet in floor area, other than Group R-1, Group R-2, **Group R-3**, and Group R-~~34~~ occupancies, unless specifically required by other provisions of the California Building Code.

~~2. Private garages and carports unless specifically required by N.F.P.A. 13D or 13R.~~

~~32. Group U occupancy B~~buildings accessory to Group R-~~3~~ occupancies other than additional R-~~1~~, R-2, **R-3** or R~~3~~ ~~-4~~ occupancies.

~~43. Group F and S~~ occupancies, less than 5,000 square feet in floor area, that are accessory to uses such as golf courses, tree nurseries, parks, farms, etc. Administrative and clerical office use areas may not exceed 25 percent of the floor area of the major use. Additionally, the site must be zoned RE, HR, RA, RA-2, RA-5 or RC.

~~54.~~ Structures that have no occupant load as determined by the Building Official.

~~65.~~ Swimming pools, spas gazebos, shade structures or other open-air structures that meet California Building Code requirements for separation.

~~76.~~ Structures which do not require building permits.

~~87.~~ Mausoleums, crypts, and similar structures.

~~98.~~ Agricultural buildings as defined in the California Building Code, Appendix C.

~~109.~~ Structures and buildings designed exclusively to shelter or protect equipment such as pump houses, substations, and similar structures.

~~110. Mobile homes and manufactured homes.~~ **Aircraft hangars, pursuant to California Fire Code section 914.8.3**

~~1211.~~ Temporary modular construction offices.

~~1312.~~ Group R occupancies for which a fire station development fee as set forth in Chapter 16.52 has been paid prior to March 1, 1993 or Group R occupancies situated within a community facilities district or an assessment district formed prior to March 1, 1993 when said

1 district has agreed to pay for a proportionate share for construction of a fire station to serve the  
2 area of the district.

3 **(eC) Existing Buildings.** Buildings in existence prior to March 1, 1993 or buildings for  
4 Group R, Division 3 and Group U occupancies for which plans were submitted and plan check  
5 fees paid to the City prior to March 1, 1993 shall be exempt from the requirements of this section.

6 **EXCEPTIONS:**

7 1. ~~Automatic fire sprinkler systems shall be installed and maintained in the entire building~~  
8 ~~whenever additions are constructed that increase the floor area by more than 5000 square feet or~~  
9 ~~the increase in floor area is greater than 50% of the existing floor area, whichever is greater.~~

10 **Pursuant to California Building Code, Section 903 in its entirety.**

11 **(dD) Conflict.** Where in any case, there are conflicting provisions between the California  
12 Building Code as adopted by the City and this section, the more restrictive shall govern.

13 **(eE) Standards.** All automatic fire sprinkler systems required by this section shall comply  
14 with N.F.P.A. 13, 13D and 13R.

15 Section 24: Section 16.08.175.B of the Riverside Municipal Code amended as follows:

16 “B. The following provisions of this section apply to new hotels, motels, apartment houses  
17 and all other dwellings including detached single-family dwellings:

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20 5. Compliance. Evidence of compliance shall consist of submittal of an acoustical  
21 analysis report, prepared under the supervision of a person experienced in the field of acoustical  
22 engineering, with the application for building permit. The report shall show topographical  
23 relationship of noise sources and dwelling site, identification of noise sources and their  
24 characteristics, predicted noise spectra at the exterior of the proposed dwelling structure  
25 considering present and future land usage, basis for the prediction (measured or obtained from  
26 published data), noise attenuation measures to be applied, and an analysis of the noise insulation  
27 effectiveness of the proposed construction showing that the prescribed interior noise level  
28 requirements are met. If interior allowable noise levels are met by requiring that windows be

1 ~~unopenable inoperable~~ or closed, the design for the structure must also specify the means that  
2 will be employed to provide ventilation, and cooling if necessary, to provide a habitable interior  
3 environment.

4 ...”

5 Section 25: Section 16.08.185 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

6 “Section 16.08.185 Geologic investigation required.

7 ~~As a prerequisite to the issuance of building permits for any property identified by the~~  
8 ~~seismic safety element of the Riverside general plan as being potentially subject to~~  
9 ~~liquefaction during a groundshaking episode, a thorough geologic analysis by an expert in~~  
10 ~~the field shall be made identifying the specific potential of the subject property for~~  
11 ~~liquefaction and prescribing specific construction measures to eliminate or substantially~~  
12 ~~reduce the possibility of structural failure from this cause.~~ As a prerequisite to the issuance  
13 of any building permit, a complete geological investigation shall be conducted by an  
14 appropriately licensed design professional for any property identified as being subject to the  
15 potential of liquefaction or within a seismic hazard zone in accordance with this code. The  
16 geological investigation shall identify the specific liquefaction potential or other seismic  
17 hazard at the subject property and prescribe mitigating measures to eliminate or  
18 substantially reduce the possibility of structural failure. Said analysis shall be subject to  
19 approval by the Building Official and all prescribed mitigating measures shall be incorporated into  
20 building plans submitted for permits. ~~A geologic analysis shall not be required for the~~  
21 ~~construction of a single-family dwelling or a duplex of one-story, wood-frame construction,~~  
22 ~~nor any building addition of less than six hundred fifty square feet, nor any sign installation,~~  
23 ~~nor any freestanding wall.~~

24 EXCEPTIONS:

25 1. A compliant geological investigation from an adjacent property within 1,000 feet  
26 of the subject property may be used when approved by the Building Official, if it conforms  
27 to all the requirements of this code.  
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1           **2. The Building Official is authorized to establish a policy exempting minor structures**  
2 **from geological investigations.**

3           Section 26:    Section 16.08.195 Repair and Reconstruction of Damaged Structures is  
4 deleted in its entirety from the Riverside Municipal Code.

5           Section 27:    Chapter 16.11, Mechanical Code Table of Contents is amended as follows:

6                                   **“Chapter 16.11**  
7                                   **MECHANICAL CODE**

8 **Sections:**

9 **16.11.010     Reference to Mechanical Code.**

10 **16.11.020     California Mechanical Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

11 **16.11.030     ~~Chapter 1, Division II Sections 108, 113.4, 114, and Table 114.1 deleted.~~**

12 **Sections deleted and not adopted.”**

13           Section 28:    Section 16.11.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

14 **“Section 16.11.010   Reference to Mechanical Code.**

15           This chapter shall be known as the "Mechanical Code" and may be cited as such. Whenever  
16 in this code or any ordinance of the City the phrases **“Uniform Mechanical Code” or** "California  
17 Mechanical Code" ~~or "Mechanical Code"~~ appear, such phrases shall be deemed and construed  
18 to refer or apply to this chapter in conjunction with Chapter 16.04.”

19           Section 29:    Section 16.11.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:

20 **“Section 16.11.020   California Mechanical Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

21           The California Mechanical Code, ~~2013~~ **2016** Edition, including appendices, and any related  
22 errata, and any amendments thereto by the State of California promulgated by the International  
23 Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, which regulates the erection, installation,  
24 alteration, repair, relocation, replacement, addition to, use or maintenance of any equipment as  
25 defined herein, is adopted and by this reference is made a part of this code with the force and effect  
26 as though set out herein in full with the exception of those parts expressly excepted and deleted or  
27 amended by this chapter. One copy of the California Mechanical Code, which has been certified  
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as a true copy, is on file and open to public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.”

Section 30: Section 16.11.030 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
“~~Section 16.11.030 Chapter 1, Division II Sections, 108, 113.4, 114, and Table 114.1~~  
~~deleted. Sections deleted and not adopted~~”

The chapters, sections, paragraphs and parts of the California Mechanical Code which are  
excepted, deleted and not adopted are:

1. Chapter 1, Division II Sections, ~~108, 113.4, 114, and Table 114.1~~ 104.3.3, 104.4.3,  
104.4.4, 104.5, 106, 107, and Table 104.5.

Section 31: Chapter 16.12, Plumbing Code Table of Contents is amended as follows:

**“Chapter 16.12**

**PLUMBING CODE**

**Sections:**

**16.12.010 Title--References to Plumbing Code.**

**16.12.020 California Plumbing Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

**16.12.030 ~~Chapter 1, Division II Sections 103.3.3, 103.4, and Table 103.4 deleted.~~**  
**Sections deleted and not adopted.”**

Section 32: Section 16.12.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
“**Section 16.12.010 Title--References to Plumbing Code.**

This chapter shall be known as the Plumbing Code and may be cited as such. Whenever in  
this code or any ordinance of the City, the phrases **“Uniform Plumbing Code” or “California**  
**Plumbing Code” or “~~Plumbing Code~~”** appear such phrases shall be deemed and construed to  
refer and apply to this chapter in conjunction with Chapter 16.04.”

Section 33: Section 16.12.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
“**Section 16.12.020 California Plumbing Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

The California Plumbing Code, ~~2013~~ 2016 Edition, including appendices and any related  
errata, and any amendments thereto by the State of California promulgated by the International  
Association of Plumbing and Mechanical Officials, which regulates the design, construction,



1 installation, quality of materials, location, operation, equipment and maintenance of plumbing  
2 systems, is adopted and by this reference is made a part of this code with the same force and effect  
3 as though set out in this chapter in full, with the exception of those parts expressly excepted,  
4 deleted or as amended by this chapter. One copy of the California Plumbing Code, which has been  
5 certified as a true copy is on file and open to public inspection in the office of the City Clerk.”

6 Section 34: Section 16.12.030 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
7 “**Section 16.12.030 Chapter 1, Division II Sections 103.3.3, 103.4, and Table 103.4 deleted.**  
8 **Sections deleted and not adopted.**

9 The chapters, sections, paragraphs and parts of the California Plumbing Code which are  
10 excepted, deleted and not adopted are:

11 1. Chapter 1, Division II Sections ~~103.3.3 and 103.4; and Table 103.4.~~ **104.3.3, 104.4.3,**  
12 **104.4.4, 104.5, 106, 107 and Table 104.5.**”

13 Section 35: Chapter 16.16, Electrical Code Table of Contents is amended as follows:

14 **“Chapter 16.16**  
15 **ELECTRICAL CODE**

16 **Sections:**

17 **16.16.010 Title--References to Electrical Code.**

18 **16.16.020 California Electrical Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**

19 **16.16.051 Inspections.”**

20 Section 36: Section 16.16.010 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
21 **“Section 16.16.010 Title--References to Electrical Code.**

22 This chapter shall be known as the Electrical Code and may be cited as such. Whenever in  
23 this code, or any ordinance of the City, the phrases ~~“Uniform Wiring Code” or~~ “National  
24 Electrical Code” or ~~“Electrical Code” or~~ “California Electrical Code” appear, such phrases shall  
25 be deemed and construed to refer and apply to this chapter in conjunction with Chapter 16.04.”

26 Section 37: Section 16.16.020 of the Riverside Municipal Code amended as follows:  
27 **“Section 16.16.020 California Electrical Code adopted--Filed with City Clerk.**  
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1 The California Electrical Code, ~~2013~~ 2016 Edition, and any related errata, and any  
2 amendments thereto by the State of California, copyrighted by the National Fire Protection  
3 Association, Batterymarch Park, Quincy, Massachusetts, which regulates the erection,  
4 construction, demolition, equipment, use and maintenance of electrical systems, is adopted and by  
5 this reference is made a part of this Code with the same force and effect as though set out in this  
6 Chapter in full, with the exception of those parts expressly excepted, deleted or as amended by this  
7 Chapter. One copy of the California Electrical Code, which has been certified as a true copy is on  
8 file and open to public inspection in the Office of the City Clerk.”

9 Section 38: Section 16.16.051 of the Riverside Municipal Code is amended as follows:  
10 **“Section 16.16.051 Inspections.**

11 All electrical wiring and equipment for which a permit is required shall be inspected and  
12 approved by the Building Official before being concealed, energized or used. All fees required by  
13 this code shall be paid by the ~~permittee~~ applicant prior to the energizing or use of such wiring or  
14 equipment.

15 No serving agency shall supply, or cause or permit to be supplied, electrical energy to any  
16 electrical wiring until the wiring has been inspected and approved. Nothing in this section shall  
17 prohibit the temporary use of electrical energy when and as specifically approved by the Building  
18 Official.

19 Nothing in this section shall prohibit the inspection of any electrical installation even  
20 though no permit is required therefor.

21 Whenever any work regulated by this chapter, or any portion thereof, is ready for  
22 inspection, the Building Official shall be notified that same is ready for inspection. The notice shall  
23 be given not less than twenty-four hours before any such inspection is desired.”

24 Section 39: The City Council has reviewed the matter and, based upon the facts and  
25 information contained in the staff reports, administrative record, and written and oral testimony,  
26 hereby finds that this ordinance is not subject to CEQA pursuant to Sections 15060(c)(2),  
27 15060(c)(3) and/or 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines, California Code of Regulations,  
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1 Title 14, Chapter 3, in that it will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical  
2 change in the environment nor have a significant impact on the environment.

3 Section 40: The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this ordinance and cause  
4 publication once in a newspaper of general circulation in accordance with Section 414 of the  
5 Charter of the City of Riverside. This ordinance shall become effective on the 30th day after the  
6 date of its adoption.

7 ADOPTED by the City Council this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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9 \_\_\_\_\_  
10 WILLIAM R. BAILEY, III  
11 Mayor of the City of Riverside

12 Attest:

13 \_\_\_\_\_  
14 COLLEEN J. NICOL  
15 City Clerk of the City of Riverside

16 I, Colleen J. Nicol, City Clerk of the City of Riverside, California, hereby certify that the  
17 foregoing ordinance was duly and regularly introduced at a meeting of the City Council on the  
18 \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016, and that thereafter the said ordinance was duly and  
19 regularly adopted at a meeting of the City Council on the \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016  
20 by the following vote, to wit:

21 Ayes:

22 Noes:

23 Absent:

24 Abstain:

25 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the  
26 City of Riverside, California, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

27 \_\_\_\_\_  
28 City Clerk of the City of Riverside

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