

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OCEANSIDE AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE OCEANSIDE CITY CODE BY THE ADDITION OF ARTICLE II, SECTION 11.15.1 TO FORMALLY ADOPT THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL FIRE SEVERITY MAPS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 51178 AND 51179

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 51178 requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent statewide criteria and based on the severity of fire hazard that is expected to prevail in those areas;

WHEREAS, California Government Code section 51179 requires local jurisdictions to designate, by ordinance, moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones in its jurisdiction within 120 days of receiving recommendations from the State Fire Marshal pursuant to Section 51178;

WHEREAS, within 30 days after receiving a transmittal from the State Fire Marshal that identifies fire hazard severity zones pursuant to Section 51178, a local agency shall make the information available for public review and comment, which information shall be presented in a format that is understandable and accessible to the general public, including, but not limited to, maps;

WHEREAS, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection released an updated map of moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones in Southern California on March 24, 2025;

WHEREAS, the City of Oceanside accepted public comment on the updated map of fire hazard severity zones between March 26, 2025 and April 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City of Oceanside makes no alteration or modification to the fire-severity zones as determined by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Oceanside does ordain as follows:
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3 SECTION 1. The City of Oceanside hereby amends Chapter 11 of the Oceanside City
4 Code by adding Section 11.15.1 to Section II, formally designating the Fire Hazard Severity
5 Zones as recommended by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection pursuant
6 to Government Code sections 51178 and 51179 as follows:

7 **Section 11.15.1**

8 The City hereby designates the moderate, high, and very high *Fire Hazard Severity*
9 *Zones* as recommended by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection pursuant
10 to Government Code section 51178. The most recent map of Fire Hazard Severity Zones, as
11 published by the State Fire Marshal and approved by the City of Oceanside, is hereby
12 incorporated by reference, and entitled "City of Oceanside Fire Hazard Severity Zones". The
13 official map is kept on file with the Oceanside Fire Department and other agencies. An official
14 copy is also located electronically for convenience on the following website:

15 <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/6a9cb66bb1824cd98756812af41292a0>
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17 SECTION 2. The City Clerk of the City of Oceanside is hereby directed to publish this
18 ordinance, or the title hereof as a summary, pursuant to state statute, once within fifteen (15)
19 days after its passage in the San Diego Union Tribune, a newspaper of general circulation
20 published in the City of Oceanside.

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22 SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force on the thirtieth (30th) day
23 from and after its final passage.
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INTRODUCED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oceanside,
California, held on the ____ day of _____, 2025, and, thereafter,

PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Oceanside California, held on the ____ day of _____, 2025, by the following vote:

ABSTAIN:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY CLERK

CITY ATTORNEY