



# City of Oceanside

300 North Coast Highway,  
Oceanside, California 92054

## Staff Report

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**DATE:** February 19, 2025

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers

**FROM:** Fire Department

**TITLE: RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH STATE INSPECTION MANDATES**

### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt a resolution acknowledging receipt of the annual Oceanside Fire Department report regarding the inspection of certain occupancies including schools, hotels, motels, lodging houses, apartments, and residential care facilities pursuant to Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 of the California Health and Safety Code.

### **BACKGROUND AND ANALYSIS**

The California Health and Safety Code requires every city or county fire department to annually inspect buildings used as a public or private school, hotel, motel, lodging house, apartment house, and certain residential care facilities in their jurisdiction. Inspections look for compliance with building standards and other regulations created by the State Fire Marshal, and focus on public safety, preventing, escaping, and containing fires.

Pursuant to Senate Bill 1205 (SB1205), California Health and Safety Code Section 13146.4 was added in 2018, and became effective on September 27, 2018, to read:

- (a) Every city or county fire department, or district required to perform an annual inspection pursuant to Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 shall report annually to its administering authority on its compliance with Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3.
- (b) The report made pursuant to subdivision (a) shall occur when the administering authority discusses its annual budget, or at another time determined by the administering authority.
- (c) The administering authority shall acknowledge receipt of the report made pursuant to subdivision (a) in a resolution or a similar formal document.
- (d) For purposes of this section, "administering authority" means a city council, county board of supervisors, or district board, as the case may be.

The first full reporting period subject to Senate Bill 1205 was calendar year 2018 and has been submitted by this Division annually thereafter.

The Fire Department's Community Risk Reduction Division (Division) is responsible for fire and life safety community programs throughout the City of Oceanside. One of these is the California State Fire Marshal mandated annual inspection program. The annual inspection requirement is conducted and completed by Division inspectors throughout the calendar year. The purpose of annual fire inspections is to mitigate hazards, reduce risk to the community, educate property owners, and ensure compliance with the California Fire Code. Division Fire Inspectors issue correction notices for violations.

In 2024, the Division completed an initial inspection of 833 of the 833 California State Fire Marshal mandated inspections; a 100 percent compliance rate. The 833 inspections do not include the numerous re-inspections that were required in response to deficiencies observed during initial inspections.

Occupancy	Total Inspected 2024	Total	Success Rate
High-Rise	1	1	100%
I OPD Holding Cell (Jail)	1	1	100%
R-1 Hotel/Motel	34	34	100%
R-2 Multi-Family	752	752	100%
R-2.1 Residential Care - Elderly	10	10	100%
E Schools	35	35	100%

The Division has a goal of 100 percent compliance with the state mandate. The ability to reach this goal is based on resources. The Division anticipates meeting goals for State Mandated Inspections for calendar year 2025.

As required by SB1205, Section 13146.4, the Division, under the direction of the Fire Chief, is to annually report to the City Council its compliance with the annual inspection requirements of the California Health and Safety Code. The bill also requires the City Council to formally acknowledge receipt of the compliance report in a resolution.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

No fiscal impact.

### **COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE REPORT**

This item was approved by the Police and Fire Commission at its January 16, 2025 regular meeting.

### **CITY ATTORNEY'S ANALYSIS**

The referenced documents have been reviewed by the City Attorney and approved as to form.

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Reviewed by: David Parsons, Fire Chief

Submitted by: Jonathan Borrego, City Manager

**ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Staff Report
2. Resolution
3. 2024 Community Risk Reduction Report