



COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA

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CODE ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

County of Santa Barbara

Board of Supervisors Hearing

March 17, 2015



Today's Recommended Actions

1. Introduce Ordinance Amendments (first reading) amending:
 - A. Chapter 9A (Brush Removal);
 - B. Chapter 10 (Building Regulations);
 - C. Chapter 11 (Mobilehomes);
 - D. Chapter 14 (Grading Code);
 - E. Chapter 14C (Film Permit Office); and
 - F. Chapter 25 (Petroleum Code).

2. Continue to March 24, 2015 (2nd reading – Admin Agenda) to consider adoption of Ordinance Amendments above.



Proposed Amendments

If adopted, amendments will:

1. Provide an ability to collect enforcement staff costs;
2. Provide an appeal process to dispute staff costs;
3. Provide an ability to file tax liens on unpaid final staff costs (after potential appeal)



Chapter 35 - Appeal Rights

County LUDC - Section 35.108.070 - Recovery of Costs

E. Hearing on Objections:

“Any property owner...who receives a summary of costs... shall have a right to a hearing before the Director on their objections.”

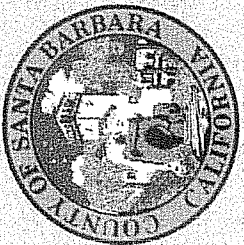
1. A request for a hearing shall be filed within 10 days;
2. A hearing shall be held on the owner’s objections within 30 days;
3. Unpaid costs shall be recoverable via tax lien.



Recommended Amendments:

<u>Ordinance</u>	<u>Enforcement Cost Recovery</u>	<u>Appeal of Enforcement Costs</u>	<u>Tax Lien Recovery</u>
Chapter 9A – Brush Removal	Add	Add	Add
Chapter 10 – Building Regulations	Amend	Add	Amend*
Chapter 11 – Mobilehomes	Add	Add	Add
Chapter 14 – Grading Code	Amend	Amend	Add
Chapter 14C – Film Permit Office	Add	Add	Add
Chapter 25 – Petroleum Code	Amend	Add	Amend*

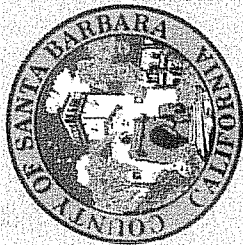
* Ability to collect via a tax lien currently exists in Chapters 10 and 25. Amendments will ensure consistency in ordinance language and process.



Recommended Amendments:

If adopted:

1. P&D will issue periodic billing statements to owners on enforcement related charges (after violation is determined to exist);
2. Property owner will have a right to contest the charges billed;
3. P&D Director will hold a hearing on charges within 30 days of receiving the appeal;
4. Unpaid final order may be collected pursuant to Gov Code § 54988, et seq. (tax lien)



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