



2016 Santa Barbara County Building Standards Code Amendments

Proposed Amendments to
Chapter 10 of the
Santa Barbara County Code

2016 California Building Standards Code

- California Building Standards Codes are updated every 3 years by the State Building Standards Commission.
- Building and Safety Division of Planning and Development Responsible for Building Regulations
- Santa Barbara County adopts State Building Codes by amending Chapter 10 of the County Code (Building Regulations)



2016 California Building Standards Code Major Changes

- Change of use requires building upgrade to new code
- Modifications to occupancy classifications
- Residential code applicable to owner occupied lodging
- Electric Vehicle charging for new residential R2 and R3
- Increased distance for building projection to property lines.
- Changes to automatic fire and building exiting systems.
- Provisions for Photo Voltaic systems



2016 California Building Standards Code Local Amendments

- Administrative amendments do not require specific local conditions
- More restrictive amendments to the code are permitted based on local geographic, topographic and climatic conditions.



Proposed Local Amendments to 2016 State Building Standards Code

Ongoing *existing* amendments for adoption:

- Administrative changes to Santa Barbara County Building Code
- Construction requirements for High Fire Hazard Zones
- Designation of high wind regions in Gaviota region
- Existing local structural amendments



Proposed Local Amendments to States Building Standards Code

New amendment includes:

- Expedited Permitting Procedures for Electric Vehicle Charging Station Systems, Article XVII, Per Assembly Bill 1236 requires adoption of a local ordinance:
 - Permit issuance is nondiscretionary
 - Permit review limited to health and safety
 - Electronic application submittal
 - Standardized Checklists
 - <http://sbcountyplanning.org/building/expeditedPV.cfm>



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Staff Recommendations:

1. Consider the introduction of an ordinance, Case No. 16ORD-00000-00013, amending Chapter 10, Building Regulations of the Santa Barbara County Codes by adopting the 2016 California Building Standards Codes with local amendments and the addition of Article XVII Expedited Permitting Procedures for Electric Vehicle Charging Station Systems; and
2. Read the title of the Ordinance, Case No. 16ORD-00000-00013 and waive full reading of the Ordinance into the record; and



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3. Continue the hearing to December 13, 2016 for the adoption of a Resolution of Legislative Findings Supporting Amendments to the California Building Standards Codes (Attachment F) and the adoption (second reading) of an ordinance, Case No. 13ORD-00000-00013; and
4. Adopt a Resolution for Eligibility Checklist for Electric Vehicle Charging Station Systems (Attachment G); and
5. Determine that the adoption of this ordinance is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.



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Conclusion

December 6, 2016

