

# Santa Barbara County Fire Department 2019 Fire Code Adoption



## Background

- The 2016 California Fire Code will be superseded by the 2019 version and will become State law on January 1, 2020.
- The Fire Department adopts the 2019 California
   Fire Code with amendments under Chapter 15 of
   the Santa Barbara County Code, thereby creating
   the Santa Barbara County Fire Code.



#### **Modifications**

- 2019 California Fire Code modifications include:
  - Relocating code language for increased efficiency and relevance
  - Updates from the International and California Code Committees
  - Consideration of current industry practices
  - Consistency with revised state and federal laws
- There are no fee increases associated with the adoption of this code.



#### **Actions To Date**

- County Counsel provided input, along with the Office of the State Fire Marshal.
- Chapter 15 amendments were made available for review at the County Clerk's office, on our website, and were sent to over 80 stakeholders on or before October 31, 2019.



### Actions To Date (Continued)

- Fire has met with business and government leaders to discuss specific changes and to address concerns.
- As of now, there has been no opposition by stakeholders.