

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM NO. H.2 06/11/2024

SUBJECT: Amendments to the Brentwood Municipal Code to reflect changes

in fire agencies and clarify responsible parties relating to fire

emergencies.

DEPARTMENT: City Manager

STAFF: Melissa Ballesteros, Executive Assistant

Tim Ogden, City Manager

TITLE/RECOMMENDATION

Introduce and waive first reading of an Ordinance authorizing text amendments relating to fire services from any applicable sections of the current municipal code.

These text amendments are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, as it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the Ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

BACKGROUND

On July 1, 2022, the former East Contra Costa Fire Protection District (ECCFPD) merged with the Contra Costa County Fire Protection District. Due to this annexation, updates to the Brentwood Municipal Code are warranted, as references to the now obsolete ECCFPD are found throughout. In undertaking this work, staff also took the opportunity to make certain positions more general, and to avoid the need to make further amendments in the code, simply noting that the services are being provided by the "current fire services provider."

On April 16, 2024, Community Development staff requested the Planning Commission adopt Resolution No. 24-003, recommending that the City Council adopt an Ordinance to replace the words "Fire Chief", "Fire Marshal", "Fire Department", "Fire District", "East Diablo Fire Protection District", "East Contra Costa Fire Protection



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM NO. H.2 06/11/2024

District", and "Contra Costa County Fire District" with "current fire services provider" in any applicable sections of Title 17 (Zoning) of the Brentwood Municipal Code.

The attached ordinance includes not only those Title 17 amendments reviewed by the Commission, but also changes to Titles 2 (Administration and Personnel), 8 (Health and Safety), and 9 (Public Peace and Welfare).

It should be noted that replacing "East Contra Costa Fire Protection District" with "current fire services provider," changes the boundary of the required residence of the City Manager in Section 2.36.020, and could receive additional consideration by the City Council. An alternative consideration is to retain the reference to "East Contra Costa Fire Protection District", as the section references the boundary as of September 23, 2014.

CITY COUNCIL STRATEGIC INITIATIVE

Not Applicable.

PREVIOUS ACTION

Not Applicable.

DATE OF NOTICE

The City of Brentwood published a public hearing notice in the <u>Brentwood Press</u> on May 31, 2024.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

Not Applicable.

ALTERNATIVE OPTION(S)

Alternative Options to the Staff Recommendation:

- 1. Do not approve staff's recommendation.
- 2. Modify staff's recommendation based on legally defensible findings, including the proposed change in Section 2.36.020.
- 3. Continue item to a date certain with direction for staff to return with additional information.



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM NO. H.2 06/11/2024

ATTACHMENT(S)

- 1. CC Ordinance
- 2. Planning Commission Staff Report
- 3. Planning Commission Resolution No. 24-017