



Local Adoption of the 2025 California Building Standards Code (Title 24)

Fire & Community Development
Departments

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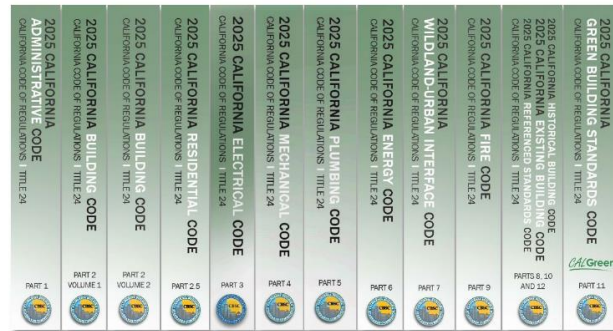
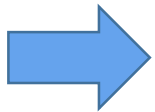
- Every 3 years the State publishes a new set of building codes
- CA Building Standards Code (T24) governs construction of all buildings in the state
- Every city in CA is mandated to adopt the State codes
- Each city may amend the Code to address local conditions
- The proposed code adoption ordinance was introduced at the City Council meeting on Nov. 4



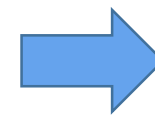
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California
Building Standards Commission



The 2025 edition of Title 24



Huntington Beach
Municipal Code
Title 17





HB Amendments

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- No new building code amendments; all amendments are carried over from previous code adoptions
- Fire
 - Removed 2 local amendments
 - Added 1 local amendment
 - All other roll-over or minor changes for clarification from last code adoption
- New California Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) code





Implementation Plan

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- Distribute Information/Illustrative handouts
- Update design and construction checklists
- Update City website
- New Construction Codes - Effective January 1, 2026





Recommendation

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- Repeal existing HBMC Title 17 Chapters below and adopt current codes with amendments, effective 30 days after adoption:
 - Ch. 17.02 CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
 - Ch. 17.04 BUILDING CODE
 - Ch. 17.07 RESIDENTIAL CODE
 - Ch. 17.40 MECHANICAL CODE
 - Ch. 17.44 PLUMBING CODE
 - Ch. 17.46 SWIMMING POOL, SPA, AND HOT TUB CODE
 - Ch. 17.48 ELECTRICAL CODE
 - Ch. 17.49 ENERGY CODE
 - Ch. 17.49.1 WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE
 - Ch. 17.50 HISTORICAL BUILDING CODE
 - Ch. 17.51 EXISTING BUILDING CODE
 - Ch. 17.52 GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE
 - Ch. 17.53 REFERENCED STANDARDS CODE
 - CH. 17.56 FIRE CODE
 - Ch. 17.60 SOLAR, HYDRONICS AND GEOTHERMAL CODE



Questions?

