



**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH**  
**PROPOSED ADOPTION OF THE 2019**  
**CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE (CFC)**  
**WITH LOCAL AMMENDMENTS**

# Background

- The California Building Standards Code is updated on a triennial cycle and includes the CFC.
  - California Fire Code is Title 24, Chapter 9
- Office of the California State Fire Marshal has adopted the 2019 CFC as published by the California Building Standards Commission
- Basis of the CFC is the 2018 International Fire Code.

# Background

- The City traditionally proposes certain modifications to address local needs and adopts the CFC by reference in the Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapter 17.56.

# Local Amendments

- ⦿ Most amendments are “carry over” with no changes from last code cycle
- ⦿ Four new amendments proposed
- ⦿ Seven amendments repealed - streamlining code requirements and review process

# Proposed Amendment Example

## ◎ 901.6.3 Records

- Clarified that all reports of inspection, test, and maintenance (ITM) shall be submitted electronically
- Rationale: HBFD uses The Compliance Engine; all reports are submitted online

# Amendments Repealed

- Amendments in last code cycle not carried forward
  - 1) 105.4 Construction Documents. Code has sufficient language.
  - 2) 510.6.1 Testing and proof of compliance. Due to Compliance Engine, do not need to post ERRCS results next to Fire Alarm Control Panel.
  - 3) 901.6 Inspection, testing, and maintenance. Code amended language regarding gas detection system.
  - 4) 901.6.2.2 Requirement to add fire alarm tag. Due to Compliance Engine, need for alarm tag is not required.
  - 5) 901.2.1.8 Requirement to include Group B. Removed in order to achieve alignment with the California Building Code.
  - 6) 5703.3.3.3 Heating, lighting and cooking appliances. Single family housing exception addressed in 2019 code.
  - 7) 5705.3.7.5.1 Ventilation. Exception not needed for natural ventilation.

# Recommendation

- Adopt the proposed ordinance to repeal the current Huntington Beach Municipal Code Chapter 17.56 and replace it according to the attached ordinance.