

RESOLUTION NO. 11-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ORINDA

RATIFY MORAGA-ORINDA FIRE DISTRICT (MOFD) ORDINANCE 26-01 ADOPTING THE 2025 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, AND BY REFERENCE THE 2024 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, INCLUDING MOFD'S FINDINGS OF FACT THAT THE PROPOSED AMENDMENTS ARE REASONABLY NECESSARY BECAUSE OF LOCAL CLIMATIC, GEOLOGICAL, OR TOPOGRAPHICAL CONDITIONS.

WHEREAS, the City of Orinda lies within the geographical boundaries of the Moraga-Orinda Fire District ("MOFD"); and

WHEREAS, has responsibility for fire protection within said geographical boundaries; and

WHEREAS, on January 21, 2026, MOFD adopted Ordinance 26-01, adopting the 2025 California Fire Code, with certain amendments to reflect local conditions, and by reference the 2024 International Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, upon ratification by the City of Orinda, MOFD Ordinance 26-01 would repeal and replace the existing MOFD Ordinance 23-01; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendments in MOFD's Ordinance 26-01 are modifications to building standards relating to fire and public safety adopted by the State Fire Marshal and contained in the California Building Standards Code; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13869.7(c) of the California Health & Safety Code, such ordinances containing such modifications are not effective within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of Orinda until ratified by the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council does hereby declare and find that the changes to the provisions of the California Fire Code and International Fire Code set forth in MOFD Ordinance 26-01 are reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions in accordance with Health & Safety Code Section 17958.7, as set forth in the MOFD's Findings of Fact included in MOFD Ordinance 26-01.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Orinda does hereby adopt MOFD's Findings of Fact supporting the modifications to the Fire Code in MOFD Ordinance 26-01 as reasonably necessary because of local climatic, geological, or topographical conditions.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution, including MOFD Ordinance 26-01, shall be filed with the California Building Standards Commission in accordance with Health & Safety Code Section 17958.7(a) and with the California Department of Housing and Community Development in accordance with Health & Safety Code Section 13869.7(c).

Adopted by the City Council of the City of Orinda at a regular meeting of the Council held on March 3, 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: Gee, Hoxie, Iverson, Malkani
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: None
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: Riley



Brandyn Iverson, Mayor

ATTEST:



Sheri Marie Smith, City Clerk