



Sunnyvale

# Introduce an Ordinance Amending Chapter 16.52 of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code to Adopt by Reference the 2019 Intervening California Fire Code

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# Early Adoption by Reference of the 2019 Intervening California Fire Code

## **Background**

- The State of California has adopted the 2019 Intervening California Fire Code and will become effective statewide on July 1, 2021.

## **Potential Impacts of Early Adoption**

- Projects can utilize streamlined or clarified code requirements for a variety of fire safety building features and operational requirements.
- Potential benefits to the City, include streamlined plan review and permitting.

## **Non-Impacts**

- Does not impact any existing zoning or land use regulations.
- Does not result in retroactive requirements or new fees.
- If multiple codes apply to a project, the local Sunnyvale ordinance takes precedent.

# Staff Recommendation

## **Alternative 1:**

Introduce the Ordinance Amending Chapter 16.52 of the Sunnyvale Municipal Code to Adopt by Reference the 2019 Intervening California Fire Code, and Find that the Action is Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under CEQA Guidelines Section 15308, 15305, and 15061.