

## Resolution Number: 19-212

## A RESOLUTION OF THE ARCATA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS FINDINGS RELATED TO ADOPTION OF THE 2019 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE

WHEREAS, Arcata Fire Protection District has adopted the 2019 California Fire Code; and

WHEREAS, section 13869.7 of the California Health & Safety Code sets forth certain procedures for local amendments to the California Building Code/California Fire Code; and

**WHEREAS**, these procedures call for the Board of Directors of Arcata Fire Protection District to make certain express findings.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the Arcata Fire Protection District hereby finds that:

- 1) As a result of certain Climatic, Geological, and Topographical Conditions, that modifications and changes to the California Building Code/California Fire Code are reasonably necessary to provide for the safety and protection of the citizens of Arcata Fire Protection District.
- 2) Climatic Conditions- Arcata Fire Protection District lies in a Region that experiences significant rainfall combined with low temperatures that effect driving safety, and the ability of Fire Apparatus to reach structures in many areas of the District. National Weather Service data shows an average rainfall of 38.8 inches and average low temperatures in the mid to low 30's.
- 3) Geological Conditions- Humboldt County is in an area of high seismic activity. Seismic activity is related to the Cascadia Subduction Zone and the San Andreas Fault and documented by the California Geological Survey. Access to structures and the occurrence of multiple structure fires in these conditions will tax the resources of the District.
- 4) Topographical Conditions Arcata Fire Protection District has significant areas with extended response times and limited access to remote areas due to local topographical conditions. Improved addressing requirements coupled with improved access to rural properties will result in improved outcomes in the event of fires.
- 5) As a result of the findings set forth above, the Arcata Fire Protection District proposed to make certain amendments to the 2019 California Fire Code to provide more stringent regulations as set forth in the Proposed Ordinance attached hereto as **Exhibit** A.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Arcata Fire Protection District Board of Directors hereby approve adoption of Resolution 19-212, Findings related to the adoption of the 2019 California Fire Code.

**ADOPTED, SIGNED AND APPROVED** at a duly called meeting of the Board of Directors of the Arcata Fire Protection District by the following polled vote:

Ayes: Johnson, Mendosa, Rosen and Campbell

Nays: None Abstain: None Absent: David

DATED: October 8, 2019

Signed:

Rene Campbell, President

Attest:

Becky Schuette, Board Clerk/Secretary