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Application for Locally Adopted Energy Standards by the City of Santa Monica in Accordance with Section 10-106 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1

The city of Santa Monica submitted an application for approval of their locally adopted Energy Efficiency Standards to the California Energy Commission on November 18, 2016. Energy Commission staff will review and evaluate the proposed application as it relates to the 2016 California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-106. The review of the application will determine if the application is complete and includes all the supporting information necessary to meet the requirements of Section 10-106. During this process, staff will accept public comments for 60 calendar days, beginning with the posting of this notice and the application package.

Purpose

At its regular meeting on October 25, 2016, Santa Monica's City Council conducted a public hearing and approved a local energy ordinance in accordance with Section 10-106 of the California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1. At this meeting, the City Council determined that mandating the ordinance was cost-effective.

The ordinance requires that all new construction is built to be more energy efficient than required by the *2016 Building Energy Efficiency Standards* (2016 Standards): 1) All new low-rise residential buildings shall be designed to use 15 percent less energy than the allowed energy budget established by the 2016 Standards, and achieve an Energy Design Rating (EDR) of Zero. Note: An additional proposed local ordinance requiring solar PV installation for this occupancy is seeking concurrent approval. The amount of solar PV required by this proposed ordinance is likely to be insufficient to reach an EDR of zero and would then be superseded by the requirements in the current proposed ordinance for this occupancy. 2) All new high rise residential, non-residential buildings, hotels, and motels shall be designed to use 10 percent less energy than the allowed energy budget established by the 2016 Standards.

The assumptions used by the City of Santa Monica to establish measure cost effectiveness for the EDR zero designation for new low-rise residential buildings may be less conservative than those used by the Energy Commission for the 2019 Standards.

The city of Santa Monica submitted its application with the following:

- A copy of the signed ordinance which, among its provisions, includes requirements that constitute a local energy ordinance beyond the baseline energy code.
- A staff report containing statements and analyses that conclude the proposed energy standards within the ordinance are cost-effective and will not require buildings to consume more energy than permitted by the current California Energy Code, and that includes evidence that the ordinance was approved on the first reading at a noticed public meeting.
- A cost-effectiveness study with supporting analysis showing how the energy savings was determined and that the proposed standards are cost-effective.

Background

The California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 1, Section 10-106, specifies that energy standards for newly constructed buildings, additions, alterations, and repairs to existing buildings may be adopted by local government agencies provided that the Energy Commission finds that the standards will require buildings to be designed to consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6.

Public Comments

Written comments should be submitted by 5:00 p.m. on February 17, 2017. If you wish to submit comments on the proposal, please submit them using the e-commenting feature on the Energy Commission's webpage at <https://efiling.energy.ca.gov/EComment/EComment.aspx?docketnumber=16-BSTD-07>. A full name, email address, comment title, and either a comment or an attached document (.doc, .docx, or .pdf format) is mandatory. After a challenge response test used by the system to ensure that responses are generated by a human user and not a computer, click on the "Agree & Submit Your Comment" button to submit the comment to the Commission Dockets Unit.

You are encouraged to use the electronic filing system, described above, to submit comments. If you are unable to submit electronically, a paper copy of your comments, including the docket number 16-BSTD-07 and indicating "City of Santa Monica, Proposed Local Ordinance Res ZNE & NonRes 10%," may be sent to:

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California Energy Commission
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The proposal and supporting materials can be downloaded at www.energy.ca.gov/title24/2016standards/ordinances/.