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RE: Town of Windsor All-Electric Residential Reach Code

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Per the request of Commission Staff, the Town of Windsor would like to express to you our firm commitment to enforce the All-Electric Residential Reach Code as part of Title 24, Part 6 Building Energy Efficiency Standards of the California Building Code. The All-Electric Residential Reach Code requires all new low-rise residential construction to use electric appliances and mechanical systems. As the Chief Building Official, I will work with my staff to provide training on enforcement of the new all-electric standards. This includes working closely with regional organizations, such as BayREN, to complete focused trainings on updated energy standards and local codes.

On October 16, 2019, the Windsor Town Council adopted the All-Electric Low-Rise Residential Reach Code (Town Council Ordinance No. 2019-338). Below is a summary of the Town's process and consideration of adoption of the All-Electric Reach Code:

- April 2018: 2040 Windsor General Plan adopted calling for the Town to strive to implement the State goal of zero net energy (ZNE) in all new residential construction by 2020.
- April 17, 2019: Town Council received a presentation from Sonoma Clean Power (SCP) on implementation of an all-electric reach code as part of the Town's adoption of the 2019 California Building Code Update.
- June 11, 2019: A Town-sponsored community meeting was held to present the concept of an all-electric reach code to the public and local developers and to receive feedback.
- August 14, 2019: Staff from the Town Manager's Office, Building Division, Planning Division and Public Works attended a meeting held by the North Coast Builder's Exchange on the 2019 Building Code Update and all-electric reach codes for contractors, architects, and the mechanical, electrical and plumbing trades.
- August 21, 2019: Town Council received a summary of the comments made at the June 11<sup>th</sup> community meeting and the August 14<sup>th</sup> North Coast Builders Exchange meeting, options for implementation of an all-electric reach code, and public comment. Town Council directed staff to move forward with preparation of an all-electric reach code for low-rise residential development.
- September 4, 2019: Town Council introduced the ordinance to amend the Windsor Municipal Code to add Chapter 7, "All-Electric Residential Reach Code."

 October 16, 2019: Town Council adopted the ordinance to amend the Windsor Municipal Code to add Chapter 7, "All-Electric Residential Reach Code."

Additionally, the Council found that, under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) and 15308 of the CEQA Guidelines, there is no possibility that the implementation of the ordinance will have a significant negative impact on the environment and is thus exempt from the requirements of CEQA.

The Town of Windsor's All-Electric Residential Reach Code will ensure that low-rise residential buildings in the Town will consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6.

Sincerely,

Clif Castle

Chief Building Official