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Attn: Mr. Drew Bohan
California Energy Commission
1516 Ninth Street, MS-37
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**Re: Filing of Local Amendment to the California Building Standards Code City of San Mateo Ordinance
No. 2020-17**

Dear Mr. Bohan,

Please be advised that the City of San Mateo City Council has adopted amendments to the 2019 Edition of the California Green Building Standards Code via Ordinance No. 2020-17 enclosed.

In accordance with Public Resources Code Section 25402.1 (h)2 and Section 10-106 of the Building Energy Efficiency Standards, this package of materials includes the City of San Mateo's proposed local ordinance requiring more stringent energy requirements than those set by California's 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards Title 24, Part 6. The ordinance was introduced on September 21, 2020, adopted by the San Mateo City Council on October 5, 2020, and following approval by the California Energy Commission and will become effective on January 1, 2021.

Please find the following materials enclosed:

- Att. 1: Staff report to the City of San Mateo City Council, outlining the goals of the updated green building standards.
- Att. 2: Signed Ordinance No. 2020-17 which adopts updates to the City's Building Ordinance, including requirements for energy reach standards beyond Title 24, Part 6 baseline for new construction. This provides clear requirements that buildings be designed to consume no more energy than permitted by Part 6.
- Att. 3: Cost effectiveness studies, including an overview of their specific applications in the ordinance update, demonstrating the expected energy savings and the cost effectiveness of the ordinance in San Mateo (Climate Zone 3).
- Att. 4: Evidence of CEQA compliance through the attached Notice of Exemption.
- Att.5: A letter from the Chief Building Official to the Executive Director of the CEC about the changes to local building energy efficiency standards.

The City will continue to enforce Title 24, Part 6, as well as the proposed ordinance. The proposed ordinance will require buildings to consume no more energy than is permitted by Title 24, Part 6. The proposed standards are more protective of the environment than the State standards, and there are no reasonably foreseeable adverse impacts, and so there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. As the lead agency, the City has also determined that this activity is exempt from CEQA under section 15061(b)(3).

If you have any questions, please contact Andrea Chow, Sustainability Analyst, at (650) 522-7007 or achow@cityofsanmateo.org.

Sincerely,

Drew Corbett
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