

***COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO***

**DEFENSIBLE SPACE FOR FIRE PROTECTION  
ORDINANCE**



**PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP**

An Excerpt from the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances

Amendments Effective April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Ordinance No. 10835 (N.S.)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 6, DIVISION 8, CHAPTER 4 OF THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE OF REGULATORY ORDINANCES RELATING TO DEFENSIBLE SPACE REQUIREMENTS

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego ordains as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors finds and determines that the County of San Diego 2023 Consolidated Fire Code currently includes requirements related to defensible space, a number of which also appear in the County's Defensible Space Ordinance located at Regulatory Code section 68.401 et seq. In order to improve efficiency and clarity, the requirements of the County's Defensible Space Ordinance can be moved to the 2023 Consolidated Fire Code, allowing all provisions related to Defensible Space to be in one location. The Defensible Space Ordinance will remain effective because a number of agreements incorporate it by reference, however all substantive provisions in the Defensible Space Ordinance will be replaced with a reference to the 2023 Consolidated Fire Code.

Section 2. Amend Title 6, Division 8, Chapter 4 of the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances to read as follows:

SEC. 68.403. APPLICABILITY OF THIS CHAPTER

(a) This Chapter shall be referred to as the County of San Diego Defensible Space Ordinance. The requirements of this Chapter, including all applicable enforcement procedures, have been moved to the 2023 Consolidated Fire Code adopted by the San Diego County Fire Protection District.

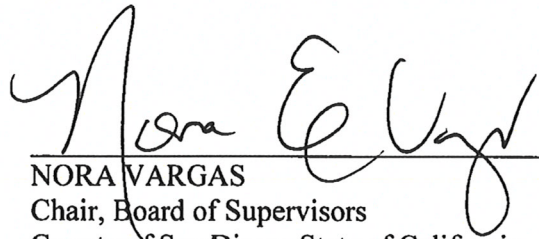
Section 3. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days after its passage, and before the expiration of fifteen days after its passage, a summary hereof shall be published once with the names of the members of this Board voting for and against it in the Daily Transcript, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Diego.

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

CLAUDIA G. SILVA

BY: Mark Day, Deputy County Counsel

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

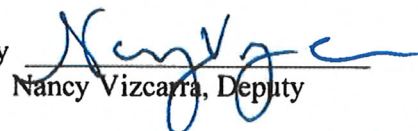
  
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NORA VARGAS  
Chair, Board of Supervisors  
County of San Diego, State of California

The above Ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Vargas, Anderson, Lawson-Remer, Fletcher, Desmond

ATTEST my hand and the seal of the Board of Supervisors this 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023.

ANDREW POTTER  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By   
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Nancy Vizcarra, Deputy



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