



Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: APRIL 21, 2025

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

SUBMITTED BY: LUCINDA WILLIAMS, CITY CLERK

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SUBJECT: FULLERTON MUNICIPAL CODE RECODIFICATION

SUMMARY

Staff presents a recodified Fullerton Municipal Code for City Council adoption. Recodification comprehensively reorganizes and modernizes the municipal code into a more easily useable format for the public and city officials to access while maintaining all substantive content.

PROPOSED MOTION

Introduce Ordinance No. XXXX for first reading and waive further reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE NO. XXXX - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULLERTON, CALIFORNIA, REVISING, AMENDING, RESTATING, CODIFYING AND COMPILING EXISTING CITY OF FULLERTON GENERAL ORDINANCES WITH SUBJECTS EMBRACED IN THE FULLERTON MUNICIPAL CODE

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS

- Approve the Proposed Motion
- Other options brought by City Council.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends the Proposed Motion.

CITY MANAGER REMARKS

None.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statement:

- Fiscal and Organizational Stability.

FISCAL IMPACTS

No fiscal impact to adopt the recodification. Staff included funding for recodification in the FY 2025-26 adopted budget.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION

Piecemeal amendments to the Fullerton Municipal Code have resulted in a disorganized and outdated Code that hinders access and reduces efficiencies. Recodification is a clerical process to reorganize and renumber chapters, consolidate provisions, update obsolete language, standardize grammatical conventions and enhance online searchability. Recodification does not alter substantive content of the adopted codes.

Staff worked with the City codification vendor, American Legal, to conduct a comprehensive recodification review and update for the Fullerton Municipal Code. All City departments and the City Attorney reviewed and approved the draft recodification. The City Clerk's Office has a copy of the proposed recodification available for review. Staff requests City Council introduce an ordinance to accept the recodified language.

Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Draft Ordinance XXXX

cc: City Manager Eddie Manfro