



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Council Meeting Date: March 11, 2003

Staff Report #: 03-040

Agenda Item #: D-1

CONSENT CALENDAR: Waiver of Reading of Ordinance No. 915;
Adoption of Ordinance No. 915 Amending Title 12
(Buildings and Construction) of the Menlo Park
Municipal Code Adopting the 1997 Uniform
Building Code, 2000 Uniform Mechanical Code,
2000 Uniform Plumbing Code, 2002 National
Electric Code, and 1997 Uniform Housing Code,
and Local Amendments to Those Codes.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 915 amending Title 12 (Buildings and Construction) of the Menlo Park Municipal Code adopting the 1997 Uniform Building Code, 2000 Uniform Mechanical Code, 2000 Uniform Plumbing Code, 2002 National Electric Code, and 1997 Uniform Housing Code, and local amendments to those codes.

1. Waive full reading of Ordinance No. 915, amending Title 12 (Buildings and Construction) of the Menlo Park Municipal Code adopting an updated Uniform Building Code, Uniform Housing Code, Uniform Mechanical Code, National Electric Code, and Uniform Plumbing Code, and amendments thereto.
2. Adopt Ordinance No. 915 amending Title 12 (Buildings and Construction) of the Menlo Park Municipal Code adopting an updated Uniform Building Code, Uniform Housing Code, Uniform Mechanical Code, National Electric Code, and Uniform Plumbing Code, and amendments thereto.

ANALYSIS

At the February 25, 2003 City Council meeting, the Council unanimously voted to introduce an ordinance adopting updated building codes for the City of Menlo Park. No changes were made to the ordinance at the time of introduction by the Council. The attached ordinance is before the Council for final adoption. If the

Council adopts the ordinance on March 11, 2003, the ordinance will go into effect 30 days later, or on April 11, 2003. Building permit applications submitted after the effective date of the ordinance will be subject to the updated building codes.

IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES

The adoption of the updated building codes will not result in any direct costs to the City.

POLICY ISSUES

The adoption of the updated building codes does not represent a change in City policy, although would introduce more stringent seismic codes for high-rise buildings.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The adoption of Ordinance No. 915 is not a project that has the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment and therefore is not subject to review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). In addition, the ordinance amendment is exempt under the definition of Project in Section 15378 (b)(3) in that it concerns general policy and procedure making.

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PUBLIC NOTICE: Public notification consisted of posting the agenda 72 hours prior to the meeting with this item being listed on the agenda.

ATTACHMENTS

- A. [Ordinance No. 915](#), amending Title 12 (Buildings and Construction) of the Menlo Park Municipal Code adopting an updated Uniform Building Code, Uniform Housing Code, Uniform Mechanical Code, National Electric Code, and Uniform Plumbing Code, and amendments thereto.