

**CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH
LEGAL NOTICE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 4123
Adopted by the City Council on NOVEMBER 7, 2016**

“AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON BEACH AMENDING CHAPTER 17.56 OF THE HUNTINGTON BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE ADOPTING THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE”

SYNOPSIS:

The Fire Code is revised every three years to keep pace with current technologies and hazardous processes. The City of Huntington Beach, upon review and evaluation, traditionally adopts the revised edition. The 2016 California Fire Code is the latest model code revision published by the California Building Standards Commission in conjunction with the International Code Council. State law mandates that this Code be enforced by all California jurisdictions, effective January 1, 2017.

In order to amend this Code to meet local conditions and special hazards that do not exist in all jurisdictions, the City needs to officially adopt the Code by ordinance, effective January 1, 2017. If the Code is not adopted as such, it will become law by default without amendments.

Adopting the 2016 California Fire Code would coincide with the adoption of the 2016 California Building and Residential Code by the Community Development Department, scheduled to also take effect January 1, 2017. The 2016 California Building Code is also published by the California Building Standards Commission. It is a sister publication of the 2016 California Fire Code, which coordinates code references between the two publications to prevent conflicting code sections.

The California Building Standards Commission requires that local amendments to the California Fire Code be supported by express findings of fact. They correlate the revisions to the Fire Code to the local conditions that necessitate the changes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Huntington Beach at a regular meeting held November 7, 2016 by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Posey, O'Connell, Sullivan, Katapodis, Hardy, Delgleize, Peterson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

THE FULL TEXT OF THE ORDINANCE IS AVAILABLE IN THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE.

This ordinance is effective January 1, 2017.

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