



AGENDA NO: 6.g

MEETING DATE: November 12, 2025

Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council **DATE:** November 5, 2025

FROM: Airlin M. Singewald, Community Development Director

SUBJECT: Ordinance No. 673, repealing and reenacting multiple chapters of Title 14 (Buildings and Construction) of the MBMC to incorporate the 2025 California Building Standards Code, including the 2025 Wildland-Urban Interface Code and related local amendments, including the addition of spark arrestors on outdoor fire pits and the prohibition of fireworks

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt Ordinance No. 673: "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Morro Bay, California, repealing, amending and reenacting Chapters 14.01 – 14.12 of Title 14 (Buildings and Construction) of the Morro Bay Municipal Code, thereby adopting by reference and amending the 2025 California Building Code (Volumes 1 and 2), Residential, Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, Energy, Historical Building, Fire, Existing Building, Green Building, Administrative, and Reference Standards Codes, the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code, the 1997 Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Building Code, and the 2025 Wildland-Urban Interface Code."

ALTERNATIVES

Staff does not recommend any alternatives to adopting Ordinance No. 673 for the Building Code Update.

FISCAL IMPACT

None. The ordinance does not modify any of the City of Morro Bay adopted permit or impact fees.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

At the October 28, 2025 Regular Meeting, Council was presented a report and proposed Ordinance No. 673 entitled "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Morro Bay, California, repealing, amending and reenacting Chapters 14.01 – 14.12 of Title 14 (Buildings and Construction) of the Morro Bay Municipal Code, thereby adopting by reference and amending the 2025 California Building Code (Volumes 1 and 2), Residential, Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing, Energy, Historical Building, Fire, Existing Building, Green Building, Administrative, and Reference Standards Codes, the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code, the 1997 Uniform Code for the Abatement of Dangerous Building Code, and the 2025 Wildland-Urban Interface Code."

A link to the October 28th staff report and attachment can be found [here](#). The staff presentation can be found [here](#).

Prepared By: AMS Dept Review: _____

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice of the public hearing on this item was published in the New Times on November 6, 2025.

CONCLUSION

Staff recommends the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 673, which repeals and reenacts multiple chapters of Title 14 (Buildings and Construction) of the Morro Bay Municipal Code to incorporate the 2025 California Building Standards Code — including the 2025 Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) Code — along with related local amendments. If adopted, the Ordinance and new Morro Bay Building Codes will become effective January 1, 2026.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Ordinance 673, “Red-lined” changes to Chapters 14.01 - 14.12 of Title 14 (Buildings and Construction)
2. Ordinance 673, “Clean” version of Chapters 14.01 – 14.12 of Title 14 (Buildings and Construction)