

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE:

June 5, 2013 June 19, 2013

LEGISLATIVE

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY FIRE CODE

REQUIREMENTS PERTAINING TO FIRE COMMAND CENTERS

FROM:

David H. Ready, City Manager

BY:

Douglas Holland, City Attorney

SUMMARY

The City Council will consider approval of an Ordinance amending the adopted local fire code regulating fire command centers. The adoption of this Ordinance will have the effect of reinstating the State Fire Code requirement for installation of fire command centers in buildings over 75 feet in height.

RECOMMENDATION:

Waive reading of text and introduce for first reading Ordinance No. ____, "AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING SUBECTION 21 OF SECTION 8.04.510 OF THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE, PERTAINING TO FIRE COMMAND CENTER REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDINGS."

STAFF ANALYSIS:

The City's current fire code contains a more restrictive local requirement for the provision of fire command centers in buildings over 60 feet in height. The proposed ordinance repeals the restrictive local requirement. The repeal of the local requirement will result in the reinstatement of the State Fire Code requirement for the provision of fire command centers in buildings over 75 feet in height for all new development in Palm Springs.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

John Allen

Fire Chief

Douglas Holland

Attachment:

City Attorney

Proposed Ordinance

David H. Ready, Esq., Ph.D.

City Manager

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING SUBECTION 21 OF SECTION 8.04.510 OF THE PALM SPRINGS MUNICIPAL CODE, PERTAINING TO FIRE COMMAND CENTER REQUIREMENTS

City Attorney Summary

The current provisions of the Palm Springs Fire Code require the provision of a fire command center in buildings over 60 feet in height. Section 508.1 of the State Fire Code requires a fire command center in buildings over 75 feet in height. This Ordinance repeals the local fire code requirement for buildings over 60 feet in height; however, the minimum State Fire Code Section 508.1 requirement remains in effect and fire command centers in buildings over 75 feet in height will continue to be required.

The City Council of the City of Palm Springs ordains:

Section 1. repealed.	Subsection 21 of Secti	on 8.04.510 of the	Palm Springs Mu	nicipal Code is
adoption of published ar	The Mayor shall sign a this Ordinance and sha nd posted pursuant to the 30) days after passage.	Il cause the same	e, or the summary	thereof, to be
PASSED AN	ID ADOPTED THIS	DAY OF	, 2013.	
ATTEST:		STEPH	IEN P. POUGNET,	MAYOR
James Thon	npson, City Clerk			
APPROVED	AS TO FORM:			
Douglas Hol	land, City Attorney			