

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ADOPT THE 2025 CALIFORNIA BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, HISTORICAL BUILDING, EXISTING BUILDING AND ENERGY CODES, AND THE GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE

WHEREAS, the State of California Building Standards Commission is charged with the development of uniform codes and regulations for application to the construction of buildings within the state; and

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code Section 17960 requires the City enforce within its jurisdiction all the provisions published in the State Buildings Standards Code and the provisions of other rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to the provisions of the California Health and Safety Code pertaining to the erection, construction, reconstruction, movement, enlargement, conversion, alteration, repair, removal, or arrangement of apartments, hotels or dwellings; and

WHEREAS, every three years the California Building Standards Commission updates and adopts uniform codes for application throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, California Health and Safety Code Section 17958.7 allows local amendments to the California Building Standards Codes, when such codes are amended and adopted at the local level, and when local findings are made for unique climatic, geological or topographical conditions.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Escondido, California, DOES HEREBY ORDAIN as follows:

SECTION 1. That Escondido Municipal Code Chapter 6, Article 1, Section 6-1.2 is repealed and replaced with the following:

Sec. 6-1.2. Codes adopted.

The following technical codes are adopted by the City of Escondido:

- (a) The 2025 California Building Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 2, (including Appendix Chapters C and I.)
- (b) The 2025 California Residential Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 2.5, including Appendix Chapter H.
- (c) The 2025 California Electrical Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 3.
- (d) The 2025 California Mechanical Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 4.
- (e) The 2025 California Plumbing Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 5, including Appendix Chapters A, D and H.
- (f) The 2025 California Historical Building Code, California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 8.
- (g) The 2025 California Existing Building Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 10.
- (h) The 2025 California Green Building Standards Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 11, excluding all appendices.
- (i) The 2025 California Energy Code, Title 24, Part 6.
- (j) The 2025 California Referenced Standards Code, California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Part 12.

SECTION 2. That Escondido Municipal Code Chapter 6, Article 2, Section 6-39, is amended by replacing all references to the 2021 Edition to the Standard Specifications for Public Works Construction (the “Green Book”) with the 2024 Edition.

SECTION 3. SEPARABILITY. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

SECTION 4. That as of the effective date of this ordinance, all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 5. That the City Clerk is hereby directed to certify to the passage of this ordinance and to cause the same or a summary to be prepared in accordance with Government Code Section 36933, to be published one time within 15 days of its passage in a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the County and circulated in the City of Escondido.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido at a regular meeting thereof this 17th day of DECEMBER, 2025 by the following vote to wit:

AYE : Councilmembers: FITZGERALD, GARCIA, GARCIA, MARTINEZ, WHITE

NOES : Councilmembers: NONE

ABSENT : Councilmembers: NONE

APPROVED:

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Dane White
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DANE WHITE, Mayor of the
City of Escondido, California

ATTEST:

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Zack Beck
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ZACK BECK, City Clerk of the
City of Escondido, California

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO : ss.
CITY OF ESCONDIDO)

I, Zack Beck, City Clerk of the City of Escondido, hereby certify that the foregoing ORDINANCE NO. 2025-08 passed at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Escondido held on the 17th day of December, 2025.

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Zack Beck
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ZACK BECK, City Clerk of the
City of Escondido, California

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