

ORDINANCE NO. 9444 (New Series)

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SAN DIEGO COUNTY CODE AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE CODE TO WAIVE SPECIFIED PERMIT FEES FOR STRUCTURES DESTROYED BY A WILDFIRE OR OTHER NATURAL DISASTER

The Board of Supervisors of the County of San Diego ordains as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Supervisors finds and determines that specified permit fees and deposits should be waived for rebuilding homes and other structures that have been damaged or destroyed by wildfire or other natural disaster. In a significant natural disaster such as a wildfire, many citizens may lose their homes or other structures. This results in a serious impact on both the economic and emotional vitality of the community. The Board of Supervisors finds that there is a public benefit to assisting citizens who have suffered losses in natural disasters. The amendments made by this Ordinance are necessary to implement the desired fee and deposit waivers.

Section 2. Subsection (L) is hereby added to Section 65.107 of the San Diego County Code to read as follows:

- (l) FEE WAIVER FOR STRUCTURES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY NATURAL DISASTER. Notwithstanding the fees otherwise specified in Section 65.107, said fees may be waived for an applicant who is rebuilding legally built structures which have been damaged or destroyed by a wildfire or other natural disaster and which are located within the boundaries of a geographic area which has been declared by resolution of the Board of Supervisors to be eligible for this fee waiver. The fee waiver shall not apply to any portion of a new structure which exceeds the square footage of the structure which is being replaced.

Section 3. Item 18 is hereby added to Schedule F of Section 362 of the San Diego County Administrative Code to read as follows:

18. FEE WAIVER FOR STRUCTURES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY NATURAL DISASTER. Notwithstanding the fees otherwise specified in Schedules E and G of this section, the plan check review fee and the permit fee may be waived for an applicant who is rebuilding legally built structures which have been damaged or destroyed by a wildfire or other natural disaster and which are located within the boundaries of a geographic area which has been declared by resolution of the Board of Supervisors to be eligible for this fee waiver. The fee waiver shall not apply to any portion of a new structure which exceeds the square footage of the structure which is being replaced.

Section 4. Item 5 is hereby added to Schedule B of Section 364.2 of the San Diego County Administrative Code to read as follows:

5. FEE WAIVER FOR STRUCTURES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED BY NATURAL DISASTER. Notwithstanding the fees and deposits otherwise specified in Schedule A of this section, the grading permit fees or deposits may be waived for an applicant who is rebuilding legally built structures which have been damaged or destroyed by a wildfire or other natural disaster and which are located within the boundaries of a geographic area which has been declared by resolution of the Board of Supervisors to be eligible for this fee or deposit waiver. The fee or deposit waiver shall not apply to any portion of a new structure which exceeds the square footage of the structure which is being replaced.

Section 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after the date of its passage, and before the expiration of fifteen (15) days after its passage, a summary shall be published once with the names of the members voting for and against the same in the San Diego Commerce, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of San Diego.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of March, 2002.