



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND BUILDING

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HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the supporting documentation into the record and conclude the public hearing on the adoption of the 2004 Edition of the California Electrical Code; and declare the Ordinance read for the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading (Citywide)

DISCUSSION

Section 17958 of the California Health and Safety Code requires that the latest California Building Standards Codes apply to local construction 180 days after they become effective at the State level. The 2004 Edition of the California Electrical Code has been adopted by the California Building Standards Commission. State Law requires that this Code become effective at the local level on August 1, 2005.

In accordance with the Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act, a Categorical Exemption CEP-185-05 has been issued for the recommended City Council action (Attachment 1).

Assistant City Attorney Michael J. Mais reviewed this report on August 2, 2005 and prepared the attached Ordinance for your consideration.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

State law mandates that the 2004 California Electrical Code be enforced by the local jurisdictions on August 1, 2005. No modification to the State code may be enforced unless the local jurisdiction adopts an ordinance to adopt changes, with findings justifying the changes. In this case, Long Beach will not be making any changes to the electrical code and this ordinance will update the Municipal Code with the reference to the edition of the California Electrical Code that is in effect.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Adopt recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments: 1) Categorical Exemption CEP-185-05
Ordinance

APPROVED:



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