

ORDINANCE NO. 3260-23

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 10, CHAPTER 5, COASTAL LAND USE PLAN IMPLEMENTING ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO ADMINISTRATIVE DESIGN REVIEW AND PLANNING COMMISSION DESIGN REVIEW COMPLIANCE WITH OBJECTIVE RESIDENTIAL STANDARDS AND DETERMINING SUCH AMENDMENTS AS EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Residential Design Guidelines by Resolution on October 7, 2003; and

WHEREAS, in 2019 the City Council added as a Strategic Plan item to apply for SB2 Grant Funding and seek consultant to update the Residential Design Guidelines to replace the 2003 Residential Design Guidelines with objective standards, add standards for the R1A zone, and clarify ambiguities of existing document; and

WHEREAS, the State Legislature adopted Senate Bill 330 (SB330) that requires that any development standards adopted by a governing body after January 1, 2020 must be objective; and

WHEREAS, the California Department of Housing and Community Development approved the SB2 Grant Funding for the City of Redondo Beach to update the City's Residential Design Guidelines to be objective and to include clarifying language on Accessory Dwelling Units, with the grant agreement executed on June 12, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on February 8, 2021 the City initiated an RFP process, and due to no responses received, the City requested proposals and received only one from Cityworks Design on April 23, 2021; and

WHEREAS, Cityworks Design was qualified and provided a proposal within the grant budget amount, and on June 8, 2021 the City entered into a contract with Cityworks Design to prepare the update to the Residential Design Guidelines to create Objective Residential Standards; and

WHEREAS, through a public process including multiple focus group meetings with local designers, community meetings, a public survey with nearly 1,000 responses, input from the Planning Commission subcommittee on the project, and multiple Planning Commission meetings to discuss and update the draft document; the City Council has considered the Objective Residential Standards for adoption by resolution; and

WHEREAS, draft revisions to the Redondo Beach Municipal Code are necessary to effectuate the implementation of the Objective Residential Standards; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a duly noticed public hearing, took public testimony, and considered the ordinance amendments on June 15, 2023 and made certain recommendations to the City Council for consideration, including determination that the amendments qualify for exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2023, the City Council considered the Planning Commission recommendations, heard public testimony, discussed the proposed amendments and the Objective Residential Standards document; and

WHEREAS, on August 15, 2023, the City Council held a duly noticed public hearing, took public testimony, and adopted the Objective Residential Standards by Resolution; and

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. RECITALS. The above recitals are true and correct, and the recitals are incorporated herein by reference as if set forth in full.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 5 Section 10-5.2500 “Administrative Design Review” to be amended as follows:

10-5.2500 Administrative Design Review.

(b) Criteria. The following criteria shall be used in determining a project’s consistency with the intent and purpose of this section:

(7) The project shall comply with the Objective Residential Standards ~~be consistent with the intent of residential design guidelines adopted by resolution of the City Council.~~

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF CODE. Title 10, Chapter 5 Section 10-5.2502 “Planning Commission Design Review” to be amended as follows:

10-5.2502 Planning Commission Design Review.

(b) Criteria. The following criteria shall be used in determining a project’s consistency with the intent and purpose of this section:

(7) Consistency with residential design guidelines. The project shall comply with the Objective Residential Standards ~~be consistent with the intent of residential design guidelines adopted by resolution of the City Council.~~

SECTION 4. CEQA. This Ordinance is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines because there is no possibility that this Ordinance or its implementation would have a significant negative effect on the environment. (14 Cal. Code Regs. § 15061(b)(3).) City staff shall cause a Notice of Exemption to be filed as authorized by CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

SECTION 5. INCONSISTENT PROVISIONS. Any provisions of the Redondo Beach Municipal Code, or appendices thereto, or any other ordinances of the City inconsistent herewith, to the extent of such inconsistencies and no further, are hereby repealed.

SECTION 6. SEVERANCE. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, and phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 8. PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be published by one insertion in the official newspaper of said city, and same shall go into effect and be in full force and operation from and after thirty (30) days after its final passage and adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 19th day of September, 2023.

William C. Brand, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:

Michael W. Webb, City Attorney

Eleanor Manzano, CMC, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES) ss
CITY OF REDONDO BEACH)

I, Eleanor Manzano, City Clerk of the City of Redondo Beach, California, do hereby certify that Ordinance No. 3260-23 was introduced at a regular meeting of the City Council held on the 15th day of August, 2023, and approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Redondo Beach, California, at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 19th day of September, 2023, and there after signed and approved by the Mayor and attested by the City Clerk, and that said ordinance was adopted by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Eleanor Manzano, CMC
City Clerk