

Legislation Text

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AGENDA REPORT REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

DATE: 7/18/2018

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT:

City Council consideration to conduct first reading of Ordinance No. 3281 amending Chapter 8.40 of the Corona Municipal Code related to Hazardous Materials Disclosure

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

That the City Council introduce by title only and waive full reading for consideration of Ordinance No. 3281, first reading of an ordinance, amending Chapter 8.40 of the Corona Municipal Code regarding, hazardous materials disclosure.

ANALYSIS:

Californians are protected from hazardous waste and hazardous materials by a Unified Program that ensures consistency throughout the state in regard to administrative requirements, permits, inspections, and enforcement. CalEPA oversees the statewide implementation of the Unified Program known as Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) which apply regulatory standards established by five different agencies.

Riverside County Department of Environmental Health is the CUPA for the County of Riverside. The role of the CUPA is to assure consolidation, consistency and coordination of the hazardous materials programs within the County. The CUPA oversees the Corona Fire Department which is the Unified Participating Agency (UPA)

There are six programs that are administered under the CUPA and Corona Fire Department is responsible for 2 of the six programs that include: (1) Hazardous Materials Release Response Plans and Inventory Program, (2) Hazardous Materials Management Plans and Inventory and permits for the handling, use and storage of hazardous materials, pursuant to the California Fire Code.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to implement within the City of Corona, the hazardous Materials Release Response Plans and inventory law, Chapter 6.95 of the California Health and Safety Code (HSC), to establish a system for permitting businesses that handle hazardous materials and enforce minimum standards.

The City's ordinance has been enforced since 1986. The amended ordinance reflects additions, insertions, deletions and changes to maintain consistency with the HSC and County Ordinance 651.

COMMITTEE ACTION: Not applicable

STRATEGIC PLAN:

Not applicable

FISCAL IMPACT:

The adoption of this ordinance will have no fiscal impact to the general fund.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS:

This action is exempt pursuant to section 15061 (b)(3) of the Guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which states that a project is exempt from CEQA if the activity is covered by the general rule that CEAQ applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Ordinance No. 3281 is intended to mitigate the threats posed to public peace and health and safety from hazardous materials incidents. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment, the activity is not subject to CEQA. Therefore, no further environmental analysis is required.

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