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DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY
Effective January 1, 2020
New codes to be enforced in the State of California

Effective Date and Application of the 2019 Code Relating to Production Housing

January 1, 2020 is the statewide effective date established by the California Building Standards Commission for the 2019 California Building Standards Code.

The 2016 California Building Standards Code remains in effect and is applicable to all plans and specifications, for, and to the construction performed under that building permit where the application for a building permit is submitted to the local jurisdiction on or before December 31, 2019.

Stock Plans approved under previous codes will become void on the effective date of these new codes and will require a full re-submittal of all plans and calculations. For developers that wish to construct their projects under the 2016 codes, the following will be applicable:

- Application for a permit on each individual lot must be made by the end of the year. This includes submittal of the architectural plans for the production homes. The online system will be available for submitting these applications until midnight on December 31.
- Homes may be plotted on a comprehensive precise grading plan, but permit applications must still be made for each individual lot.
- Revisions to change models on any such permit will be allowed under the original permit number so that the home can still be constructed under 2016 code.
- Once submitted, applications are active for 180 days and are eligible for a single 180 day extension. Permits must then be secured to remain active.
- Once issued, permits are active for a full year. After the initial year, the developer may apply for extensions of time up to 180 days which will be granted as long as there are other active permits within the tract pulled by the same developer.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Building Division at (760) 955-5100.

Respectfully,

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