

ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
OF THE NOVATO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT ADOPT-
ING A UNIFORM FIRE CODE PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS
GOVERNING CONDITIONS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE AND
PROPERTY FROM FIRE OR EXPLOSION

The Board of Fire Commissioners of the Novato Fire Protec-
tion District does hereby ordain as follows:

SECTION I. Adoption of the Uniform Fire Code. There is hereby adopted by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Novato Fire Protection District for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion, that certain Code known as the Uniform Fire Code recommended by the Western Fire Chiefs' Association and the International Conference of Building Officials being particularly the 1976 edition thereof and the whole thereof, save and except such portions as are hereinafter deleted, modified or amended by Section 7 of this ordinance of which Code not less than three (3) copies have been and are now filed in the office of the Fire Marshal of the Novato Fire Protection District and the same are hereby adopted and incorporated as fully as if set out at length herein, and from the date on which this ordinance shall take effect, the provisions thereof shall be controlling within the limits of the Novato Fire Protection District.

SECTION II. Definitions. (a) Wherever the word "jurisdiction" is used in the Uniform Fire Code, it shall be held to mean the Novato Fire Protection District.

(b) Wherever the term "Corporation Counsel" is used in the Uniform Fire Code, it shall be held to mean the Attorney for the Novato Fire Protection District.

(c) Wherever the words "Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention and Investigation" are used in the Uniform Fire Code, they shall be held to mean the "Fire Marshal of the Novato Fire Protection District."

SECTION III. Establishment of Limits of Districts in Which Storage of Flammable or Combustible Liquids in Outside Aboveground Tanks is to be Prohibited. (a) The limits referred to in Section 15.201 of the Uniform Fire Code in which storage of flammable or combustible liquids in outside aboveground tanks is prohibited, are hereby established as follows: In all residential areas and mercantile areas as established by the City of Novato or the County of Marin, whichever is applicable, and agricultural land of less than two (2) acres.

(b) The limits referred to in Section 15.601 of the Uniform Fire Code, in which new bulk plants for flammable or combustible liquids are prohibited are hereby established as follows: In all residential areas and in all mercantile areas primarily retail in character as established by the City of Novato or the County of Marin, whichever is applicable.

SECTION IV. Establishment of Limits in Which Bulk Storage of Liquefied Petroleum Gases is to be Prohibited. The limits referred to in Section 20.105(a) of the Uniform Fire Code, in which bulk storage of liquefied petroleum gas is restricted, are hereby established as follows: In all residential areas and in all heavily populated or congested commercial areas as established by the City of Novato or the County of Marin, whichever is applicable.

SECTION V. Establishment of Limits of Districts in Which Storage of Explosives and Blasting Agents is to be Prohibited. The limits referred to in Section 11.106(b) of the Uniform Fire Code, in which the storage of explosives and blasting agents is prohibited, are hereby established as follows: In all residential areas and in all heavily populated or congested commercial areas as established by the City of Novato or the County of Marin, whichever is applicable.

SECTION VI. New Materials, Processes or Occupancies which may Require Permits. The Fire Chief and the Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention and Investigation shall act as a committee to determine and specify, after giving affected persons an opportunity to be heard, any new materials, processes or occupancies which shall require

permits in addition to those now enumerated in the Uniform Fire Code.

SECTION VII. Amendments made to the 1976 Uniform Fire Code.

The Uniform Fire Code is amended and changed in the following respects:

Section 13.301 (c-1). Sprinklers is added, reading as follows:

(c-1) Where water supplies available for fire protection do not meet the above requirements, such buildings shall be equipped with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

(c-2) Buildings in excess of three (3) stories or thirty-five (35) feet in height or that require a fire flow in excess of two thousand (2,000) gallons per minute shall be equipped throughout with an approved automatic sprinkler system.

SECTION VIII. Amendments Previously made to the 1973 Uniform Fire Code. The 1973 Uniform Fire Code, which was previously adopted by the Novato Fire Protection District, was amended and changed. Certain of these amendments are retained and readopted with this ordinance as follows:

Section 13.301 (f) is hereby added to Article 13, reading as follows:

(f) Municipal Fire Alarm: When deemed necessary by the Chief of the Fire District, extension of the Municipal Fire Alarm System may be required of new residential subdivisions, multi-family, commercial, industrial, educational or institutional developments.

Section 13.307 (e) is hereby added to Article 13, reading as follows:

(e) Fire Alarm Systems: Fire Alarm Annunciator panels may be required at such locations as designated by the Fire Chief.

Section 13.307.1 and Section 13.307.2, Products of Combustion Detectors, are hereby added, reading as follows:

1-(a). All buildings containing more than two living units wherein occupants sleep shall be provided with not less than one (1) "approved" product of combustion detector and alerting device per living unit.

"Approved" refers to approval by the Chief as the result of investigation and tests conducted by him, or by reason of accepted principles or tests by national authorities, technical or scientific organizations, or the California State Fire Marshal.

1-(b). The device shall be installed on the ceiling of the hallway serving sleeping rooms in single story living units and on the ceiling above the stairway serving sleeping quarters on upper floors.

1-(c). The device shall detect products of combustion other than heat and conform to Standard No. 74 of the National Fire Protection Association entitled "Household Fire Warning Equipment", as presently defined or as may hereafter from time to time be revised.

1-(d). All Buildings subject to the provisions of this Section and not so equipped on the effective date of this section shall have the required devices installed by or before the expiration of three (3) years from the effective date.

2-. No single family or duplex residence shall be sold or rented, and no structural change or repair of a value in excess of \$1,000.000 shall be made thereto, unless and until the residence meets the requirements of Section 13.307:1 (a) through (c).

SECTION IX. Appeals. Whenever the Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention and Investigation shall disapprove an applicant or refuse to grant a license or permit applied for, or when it is claimed that the provisions of the Code do not apply, or that the true intent and meaning of the Code have been misconstrued or wrongfully interpreted, the applicant may appeal, in writing, from the decision of the Chief of the Bureau of Fire Prevention and Investigation to the Board of Fire Commissioners within fifteen (15) days of the decision.

SECTION X. Penalties. (a) Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of this Code hereby adopted or fail to comply therewith, or who shall violate or fail to comply with any order thereunder, or who shall build in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder, or any certificate or permit issued thereunder, and from which no appeal has been taken, or who shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or

modified by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Novato Fire Protection District or by a court of competent jurisdiction, within the time fixed herein, shall severally for each and every such violation and noncompliance respectively, be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not less than fifty dollars (\$50.00) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment for not less than thirty (30) days nor more than one hundred eighty (180) days or by both such fine and imprisonment.

The imposition of one penalty for any violation shall not excuse the violation or permit it to continue; and all such persons shall be required to correct or remedy such violations or defects within a reasonable time; and when not otherwise specified, each ten (10) days that prohibited conditions are maintained shall constitute a separate offense.

(b) The application of the above penalty shall not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.

SECTION XI. Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances. All former ordinances or parts thereof conflicting or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance or of the Code hereby adopted are hereby repealed. Those existing ordinances not in conflict or inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance remain in full effect and are carried forth herewith.

SECTION XII. Validity. The Board of Fire Commissioners of the Novato Fire Protection District hereby declares that should any section, paragraph, sentence or word of this ordinance or of the Code hereby adopted be declared for any reason to be invalid, it is the intent of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Novato Fire Protection District that it would have passed all other portions of this ordinance independent of the elimination herefrom of any such portion as may be declared invalid.

SECTION XIII. Date of Effect. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days from and after its approval by the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Novato Fire Protection District.

RESOLUTION NO. 78-9

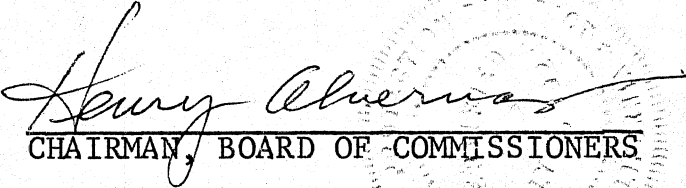
RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
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ING A UNIFORM FIRE CODE


WHEREAS, the Board of Fire Commissioners recognizes the need to enact rules and regulations for the purpose of governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion; and

WHEREAS, that certain Code known as the Uniform Fire Code is recommended by the Western Fire Chiefs' Association as a complete and proper Code;

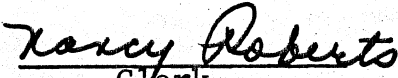
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Ordinance No. 78-9 is hereby adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Novato Fire Protection District held on the 20th day of November, 1978, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioners Henry Alvernaz, Ray Landi, William Boyle,
Joseph Silveira, Nancy DeSousa
NOES: None
ABSENT: None


CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



ATTEST:


Clerk