ORDINANCE NO. 2875

ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA ADOPTING THE CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE, 2001 EDITION AND UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE CODE PROVISIONS FOR THE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL CODE, 1996 EDITION, WITH AMENDMENTS

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CHULA VISTA DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION I. That Chapter 15.24 of the Chula Vista Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

Chapter 15.24

ELECTRICAL CODE AND REGULATIONS

Sections:

- 15.24.010 California Electrical Code, 2001 Edition and Uniform Administrative Code provisions for the National Electrical Code, 1996 Edition, adopted by reference.
- 15.24.015 Subsection 203.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code amended Board of appeals and advisors.
- 15.24.020 Subsection 201.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code amended Enforcement authority-Powers and duties of the building official.
- 15.24.025 Subsection 304.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code amended to have permit fees reference city's master fee schedule.
- 15.24.030 Subsection 304.2 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code is deleted.
- 15.24.035 Previously used materials.
- 15.24.040 This section was repealed by Ordinance No. 2875.
- 15.24.045 Distribution panels Separate required when.
- 15.24.050 Circuit cards to be posted when.
- 15.24.055 Electric fences Defined Prohibited.
- 15.24.060 Phase arrangement Amended.

15.24.010 California Electrical Code 2001 Edition and Uniform Administrative Code provisions for the National Electrical Code, 1996 Edition, adopted by reference.

There is hereby adopted by reference that certain document known and designated as the California Electrical Code, 2001 Edition, known as the California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 3, and the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code, 1996 Edition as published by the International Conference of Building Officials. Said documents are hereby adopted as the Electrical Code of the City of Chula Vista, California regulating the installation, repair, operation and maintenance of all electrical wiring and electrical apparatus of any nature whatsoever, whether inside or outside of any building, and issuance of permits and providing for the inspection thereof.

15.24.015 Subsection 203.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code amended - Board of appeals and advisors.

Subsection 203.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code is amended to designate the Board of Appeals and Advisors as the Board of Appeals.

In order to hear and decide appeals of orders, decisions or determinations made by the Building Official relative to the application and interpretations of this code, there shall be and is hereby created a Board of Appeals and Advisors consisting of seven members who are qualified by experience and training to pass upon matters pertaining to electrical aspects of construction. The Building Official shall be an ex-officio member who shall not be entitled to vote and who shall act as secretary to the Board. The Board of Appeals and Advisors shall be appointed by the City Council from the qualified electors of the City in accordance with the provisions of Section 600 et seq. of the Charter. The Board shall render all decisions and findings in writing to the Building Official with a duplicate copy to the appellant. The decision of the Board is final. The Board of Appeals and Advisors shall recommend to the City Council such new legislation deemed necessary to govern electrical aspects of construction in the City of Chula Vista.

15.24.020 Subsection 201.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code amended – Enforcement authority - Powers and duties of the building official.

Subsection 201.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code amended as it applies in Chula Vista shall read as follows:

Subsection 201.1- General. It shall be the duty of the Building Official to enforce the provisions of this code. The Building Official shall be the Assistant Director of the Building Division. For such purposes, the Building Official shall have the powers of a law enforcement officer.

The Building Official shall have the power to render interpretations of this code and to adopt and enforce rules and regulations supplemental to this code as may be deemed necessary in order to clarify the application of the provisions of this code. Such interpretations, rules and regulations shall be in conformity with the intent and purpose of this code.

15.24.025 Subsection 304.1 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code amended to have permit fees reference city's master fee schedule.

Subsection 304.1 of Section 304, Fees, of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code, as it applies in Chula Vista, shall read as follows:

Subsection 304.1 - Permit Fees. The fee for each permit shall be set forth in the Master Fee Schedule of the City of Chula Vista.

15.24.030 Subsection 304.2 of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code is deleted.

Subsection 304.2 Fees, of the Uniform Administrative Code Provisions for the National Electrical Code is deleted.

15.24.035 Previously used materials.

Previously used materials shall not be reused in any work without approval by the Building Official or an authorized deputy.

15.24.045 Distribution panels - Separate required when.

Each store in a store building, each flat in a flat building, and each building used as a dwelling shall be so wired that each store, apartment, flat or dwelling shall have separate lighting and/or power distribution panels. Such panels shall not serve other portions of the building. Hotels, motels, hotel apartments and similar types of buildings may be wired from one or more distribution panels.

15.24.050 Circuit cards to be posted when.

When requested by the Building Official, a complete schedule of circuits showing the number, kind and capacity of each outlet on each circuit shall be posted on each job prior to rough inspection.

15.24.055 Electric fences - Defined - Prohibited.

A. As used herein, the term electric fence includes all fences which in any way use electrical energy as an additional deterrent or have wires charged with electricity which are not covered with adequate insulation to protect persons and animals coming in contact therewith.

B. No electric fence may be constructed, maintained or operated within the city.

15.24.060 Phase arrangement - Amended.

Section 384-3(f) of the California Electrical Code is hereby amended to read:

Phase Arrangement. The phase arrangement on three-phase buses shall be A, B, C from front to back, top to bottom, or left to right, as viewed from the front of the switchboard or panelboard. The C phase shall be that phase having the higher voltage ground on three-phase, four-wire delta-connected systems. Other busbar arrangements may be permitted for additions to existing installations and shall be marked.

SECTION II. FINDINGS AND DECLARATION

The City Council of the City of Chula Vista specifically and expressly finds and declares that each of the amendments noted above to the 2001 Edition of the California Electrical Code is necessary due to local climatic, geological and topographical conditions.

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SECTION III. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT.

The Environmental Review Coordinator has reviewed the proposed activity for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and has determined that the activity is not a "Project" as defined under Section 15378 of the State CEQA Guidelines; therefore, pursuant to Section 15060(c)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines the activity is not subject to CEQA. Thus, no environmental review is necessary.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This ordinance will take effect and be in force on November 1, 2002.

Presented by

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Approved as to form by

Robert Leiter Planning and Building Director

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City Attorney

Brad Remp, CBO

Assistant Director/Building Official

PASSED, APPROVED, and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Chula Vista, California, this 17th day of September, 2002, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmembers: Davis, Padilla, Rindone, Salas and Horton

NAYS: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

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ATTEST:

Donna Norris, Assistant City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA **COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO** CITY OF CHULA VISTA

I, Donna Norris, Assistant City Clerk of Chula Vista, California, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 2875 had its first reading at a regular meeting held on the 10th day of September, 2002 and its second reading and adoption at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 17th day of September, 2002.

Executed this 17th day of September, 2002.

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Donna Norris, Assistant City Clerk