

Ordinance No. 6120

An Ordinance Of The Board Of Supervisors Of The County Of Sonoma, State Of California, Amending Chapter 11 Of The Sonoma County Code (Grading, Drainage, And Vineyard And Orchard Site Development) To Allow Easement Holders To Apply For Permits Under Chapter 11, And To Clarify The Definition Of Geologic Hazard, And Determining Exemption From The California Environmental Quality Act

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma, State of California, ordains as follows:

Section I. Chapter 11 of the Sonoma County Code is amended as follows:

(a) Subsection C of Section 11.10.020 is amended to read as follows:

- C. Eligibility for filing. A permit application may only be filed by the owner or easement holder of the site, an authorized agent of the owner or easement holder, or other person with the written consent of the owner or easement holder.

(b) Section 11.26.020 is amended to modify the definition of “Geologic Hazard” to read as follows:

Geologic Hazard. Slope instability, landsliding, fault displacement, liquefaction, flooding, subsidence, differential settlement, expansive soil, creeping soil, or other similar geologic condition, either mapped or observed in the field.

Section II. The Board of Supervisors finds and determines that this ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of the State CEQA Guidelines because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that this ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment. The basis for this determination is that this ordinance approves only technical and clarifying changes to Chapter 11 of the Sonoma County Code, and that these changes will not result in any significant adverse direct or indirect physical changes to the environment. The Director of the Permit and Resource Management Department is directed to file a notice of determination that this ordinance is exempt from CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines.

Section III. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this ordinance. The Board of Supervisors hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, sentences, clauses, or phrases be declared unconstitutional or invalid.

Section IV. This ordinance shall be and the same is hereby declared to be in full force and effect from and after thirty (30) days after the date of its passage and shall be published once before the

expiration of fifteen (15) days after said passage, with the names of the Supervisors voting for or against the same, in *The Press Democrat*, a newspaper of general circulation published in the County of Sonoma, State of California.

In regular session of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Sonoma introduced on the 23rd day of June, 2015, and finally passed and adopted this 21st day of July, 2015, on regular roll call of the members of said Board by the following vote:


Supervisors:

Rabbitt: Aye Zane: Aye Gore: Aye Carrillo: Aye Gorin: Aye

Ayes: 5 Noes: 0 Absent: 0 Abstain: 0

Whereupon, the Chair declared the above and foregoing ordinance duly adopted and

So Ordered.


Chair, Board of Supervisors
County of Sonoma

Attest:

Veronica A. Ferguson,
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors



By: 
Chief Deputy Clerk of the Board