COUNCIL AGENDA: NOVEMBER 19, 2013

SUBJECT: SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE ADOPTION OF CALIFORNIA BUILDING AND FIRE CODES

SOURCES: Public Works Department - Building Division; Fire Department

COMMENT: The various building codes in use by jurisdictions in California are updated periodically to reflect the latest materials and construction techniques available to the construction industry.

The last published building and fire codes, specifically the California Building and Fire Codes, were updated in 2010. The State of California has since adopted the 2013 International Codes as the State Codes for Building, Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical, Energy, and Fire.

In addition to these Codes, the State of California has also mandated the adoption of the 2013 Green Building Standards Code, the 2013 Residential Code, and the 2013 Referenced Standards Code. The 2013 Codes became State mandated as of January 1, 2013.

Each California Code will be adopted by ordinance, and shall repeal the State Code previously in effect.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council: