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**City Manager's Report**  
**January 13, 2026, City Council Meeting**  
**Prepared by: Gregory P. Horsfall, Building Official**  
**Item #: 7.5**

**Subject:** Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Amending Title 4, Chapter 1 of the Placerville Municipal Code to Adopt the 2025 California Building Standards Code (Title 24, California Code of Regulations) and Remove Obsolete Provisions.

**Recommendation:** Adopt the Ordinance amending Title 4, Chapter 1 of the Placerville Municipal Code to adopt the 2025 California Building Standards Code and delete obsolete Chapter 12, waiving full reading thereof.

**Purpose:** To comply with state law by formally adopting the 2025 California Building Standards Code (Title 24), including both its building and administrative standards, effective January 1, 2026; to delete Chapter 12, which contained an expired expedited permitting ordinance for small residential rooftop solar photovoltaic systems (sunset December 31, 2019); to permanently remove references to previously repealed chapters and sections; and to eliminate redundant and outdated housekeeping provisions for improved code clarity and enforceability.

**Strategic Plan Strategy:** Economic Development 5) Strategy – Promote regulatory reform.

**Background:** California Health & Safety Code § 18941.5 requires local adoption of the triennial California Building Standards Code. The 2025 edition took effect January 1, 2026. Chapter 12 of Title 4 is obsolete following the sunset of the state-mandated solar permitting ordinance it implemented. The Ordinance was introduced and first reading waived at the December 9, 2025, City Council Meeting.

**Discussion:** The ordinance replaces Chapter 1 with updated adoption-by-reference language for all twelve parts of the 2025 Title 24 codes, deletes obsolete Chapter 12, removes lingering references to previously repealed provisions, and performs general housekeeping cleanup. No local amendments to the statewide codes are proposed. No changes have been made since first reading.

**Environmental:** Exempt from CEQA pursuant to Guidelines §§ 15061(b)(3) and 15378(b)(5).

**Public Communications:** Public notice of intent to adopt the ordinance was published in the Mountain Democrat on November 12, 2025. No additional public communications required for second reading.

**Options:**

1. Adopt the ordinance as recommended.

2. Direct staff to modify the ordinance or take alternative action.

**Cost:** None.

**Budget Impact:** None.



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Dave Warren, City Manager



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Carole Kendrick, Development Services  
Director

Attachments:

- A. Ordinance (draft)
- B. Proposed City Code (redlined)
- C. Proposed City Code (clean version)