

**ORDINANCE NO. XX**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEAUMONT,  
CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONES AS  
RECOMMENDED BY THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE  
PROTECTION PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 51178**

**WHEREAS**, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (“CAL FIRE”), pursuant to Government Code Section 51178, has identified areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high and developed updated Fire Hazard Severity Zone (“FHSZ”) maps for areas within Local Responsibility Areas (“LRA”); and

**WHEREAS**, Government Code Sections 51175 through 51189 require local jurisdictions to adopt the FHSZ maps by ordinance, and to enforce the building standards for new structures in Very High FHSZ’s as established in the California Building Code and California Fire Code; and

**WHEREAS**, adoption of the FHSZ map will help the City reduce the risk of wildfire through updated planning and building standards and enable better protection of life, property, and natural resources; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Beaumont desires to adopt the FHSZ map as recommended by CAL FIRE to comply with state law and to ensure the health, safety, and welfare of the community.

**THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEAUMONT DOES  
HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1:** Designation of Fire Hazard Severity Zones

The City of Beaumont hereby adopts and designates the Fire Hazard Severity Zones within the City as recommended by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection and presented in the map titled:

**“City of Beaumont Fire Hazard Severity Zones Map,”**

as maintained and published by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

This map is incorporated by reference and shall serve as the official FHSZ designation within the Local Responsibility Area for the City of Beaumont.

**SECTION 2:** Availability of the Map

The official Fire Hazard Severity Zones map is available for public review:

- In the Office of the City Clerk, City of Beaumont, located at 550 E. 6th Street, Beaumont, CA 92223; and

- Electronically on the City’s official website at: <https://www.beaumontca.gov>

**SECTION 3:** This Ordinance shall take effect thirty (30) days after its final passage and within fifteen (15) days after its passage the City Clerk shall cause a summary to be published in a newspaper of general circulation, printed and published in the City of Beaumont, in a manner prescribed by law for publishing of ordinances of said City.

MOVED AND PASSED upon first reading this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2025, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

MOVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17<sup>th</sup> day of June 2025, upon second reading by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

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Mike Lara, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Nicole Wheelwright, Deputy City Clerk

Approved as to form:

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John O. Pinkney, City Attorney