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	Main Title	Ordinance Header		Main Title	Ordinance Header	<b>Revised:</b> Updated dates to reflect current code editions being adopted and appendix chapter designators.
1	101.1	Elements of the Ventura County Fire Code	1	101.1	Elements of the Ventura County Fire Code	<b>Revised:</b> Updated references to appropriate code year.
1	Chp 2 Sec 101	Adoption	1	Chp 2 Sec 101	Adoption	<b>Revised:</b> Updated references to appropriate code year and added the word "added" to clarify the types of modifications made to the codes by this ordinance.
2	101	Repeal	2	101	Repeal	<b>Revised:</b> Updated reference to VCFPD Ordinance to reflect proper ordinance being repealed.
2	102	References to prior code	2	102	References to prior code	<b>Revised:</b> Updated references to appropriate code years.
3	Title	Article Title	3	Title	Article Title	<b>Revised:</b> Updated references to appropriate code year.
3	101.1	Title	3	101.1	Title	<b>Revised:</b> Removed unnecessary language.
3	104.5	Notices and Orders	3	104.5	Notices and Orders	<b>Revised:</b> Added language to clarify that reference is to the California Health and Safety Code.
3	104.5.1	Citations	3	104.5.1	Citations	<b>Revised:</b> Added language to clarify that reference is to the California Health and Safety Code and updated reference from Appendix N to Appendix U due to the renumbering of that appendix.
3	105.1.4	Sale or delivery without permit.	3	105.1.7	Sale or delivery without permit.	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	105.6.23	Hot work operations				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Adopted model code language is sufficient to address issue.

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3	105.6.29	Miscellaneous combustible storage	3	105.6.30	Miscellaneous combustible storage	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
			3	105.6.32	Open burning	<b>Added:</b> Amended this section to clarify requirements of the District's policies on open burning.
3	105.6.48	Miscellaneous combustible compost, composting, green waste, mulch, organic processing and yard waste.	3	105.6.50	Miscellaneous combustible compost, composting, green waste, mulch, organic processing and yard waste.	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	105.7.12	Private fire hydrants and fire protection water systems				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Adopted model code language is sufficient to address issue.
3	105.17	Fuel modification plans	3	105.7.19	Fuel modification plans	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	109.4	Violations	3	109.4	Violations	<b>Revised:</b> Updated reference from Appendix N to Appendix U due to renumbering of the appendix.
3	202	Definitions	3	202	Definitions	<b>Revised:</b> Added the word "ramps" to the definition of floor area, gross to reflect change in definition printed in the current adopted edition of the model code.
3	202	Definitions	3	202	Definitions	<b>Revised:</b> Removed definition of "Sky Lantern" as it is now defined in the current adopted edition of the model code.
3	202	Definitions	3	202	Definitions	<b>Revised:</b> Relocated definition of defensible space to Section W102.1 for easier use by reader.

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3	202	Definitions	3	202	Definitions	<b>Revised:</b> Relocated definitions from Appendix L (Building, existing; Gross square feet) into this chapter to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code. Provision under Appendix L have been moved into Chapter 9.
3	202	Definitions				<b>Deleted:</b> Deleted the definition of "Fire Weather" as if was a duplicate definition to that of "Critical Fire Weather".
			3	202	Definitions	<b>Added:</b> Amended the term "Bonfire" to clarify requirements of the District's policies on open burning.
			3	202	Definitions	<b>Added:</b> Amended the term "Open Burning" to clarify requirements of the District's policies on open burning.
			3	202	Definitions	<b>Added:</b> Amended the term "Recreational Fire" to clarify requirements of the District's policies on open burning.
			3	202	Definitions	<b>Added:</b> Amended the term "Rubbish (Trash)" to clarify requirements of the District's policies on open burning.
3	301.3	Housekeeping				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Adopted model code language is sufficient to address issue.
			3	307.1	General	<b>Added:</b> Amended this section to reference additional requirements for open burning for hazardous fire areas contained in Appendix V.
			3	307.1.1	Prohibited open burning	<b>Added:</b> Amended this section to provide discretionary authority to the fire code official to prohibit open burning when local conditions or circumstances make sure fires hazardous.

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			3	307.1.2	Prohibited burning of rubbish	<b>Added:</b> Section was added to address the issue of burning rubbish directly, which is not addressed directly under the model code.
			3	307.1.3	Prohibited open fires	<b>Added:</b> Section was added to specifically prohibit open fires on public streets and sidewalks, which is a provision of County Ordinance 2501. The authority for the District to enforce the provisions of 2501 are questionable, so this section is added to the District Ordinance to clarify enforcement authority.
			3	307.1.4	Responsibility	<b>Added:</b> Section was added to specify the responsibility for damages resulting from open burning authorized by this code.
			3	307.2	Permit required	<b>Added:</b> Section was amended to clarify the provision that permits can only be issued to a property owner or their authorized agent.
			3	307.3	Extinguishment authority	<b>Added:</b> Section is amended to give the fire code official the authority to extinguish or order to be extinguish all outdoor fires when deemed unsafe due to conditions or circumstances.
			3	307.4	Location from structures	<b>Added:</b> Section is amended to clarify separation requirements from structures for open burning other than recreational fires.
			3	307.4.1	Bonfires	<b>Added:</b> Section is amended to provide for the protection of people attending the bonfire and to remove the allowance of a bonfire to be within 50 feet of a structure if it is in a pit.

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			3	307.4.2	Recreational fires	<b>Added:</b> Section is amended to provide specific separation requirements for recreational fires and for provisions for permanent outdoor fireplaces at one and two-family dwellings.
			3	307.4.3	Portable outdoor fireplaces	<b>Added:</b> Section is amended to prohibit the burning of rubbish in portable outdoor fireplaces as this provision is not provide in other sections.
3	319	Combustible materials subject to spontaneous ignition	3	320	Combustible materials subject to spontaneous ignition	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	320	Fire hazard	3	321	Fire hazard	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	321	Special hazards, not otherwise specified	3	322	Special hazards, not otherwise specified	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
			3	Chapter 4	Emergency planning and preparedness	<b>Added:</b> Added language clarifying the VCFPD is adopting only sections within chapter 4 that are adopted by the California State Fire Marshal (SFM) and deleting all other sections. This is to remove all conflicts with provisions adopted by the SFM (in the CFC and Title 19) and the model code.
3	503.1	Where required	3	503.1	Where required	<b>Revised:</b> Removed reference to Section 503 of VCFPD Ordinance 28 and added language reference new VCFPD Ordinance 29 covering fire apparatus access.
			3	503.1.1 through 503.6	Fire apparatus access roads	<b>Added:</b> Added a section header disclaiming that sections 503.1.1 through 503.6 are deleted. The provisions contained in these sections are not needed as the VCFPD access requirements will be covered by VCFPD Ord 29.

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3	505.1.1	Directories				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Adopted model code language is sufficient to address issue.
3	505.2.1	Hazardous fire areas				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Adopted model code language is sufficient to address issue.
			3	507.5	Fire hydrant systems	<b>Added:</b> Amended this section to add Section 507.5.7 as part of relocating information previously located in B105.2.1.
3	903.1	General				<b>Deleted:</b> Amendment to section is no longer needed as provisions previously contained with Appendix L of Ord 28 have been moved into Chapter 9. The language contained in Section 903.1 of the model code is now sufficient.
3	2306.2.3	Above-ground tanks located outside, above grade	3	2306.2.3	Above-ground tanks located outside, above grade	<b>Revised:</b> Removed reference to Class IIIA liquids only to clarify that section applies to both sub-classes of Class III liquids.
3	Chp 28	Title	3	Chp 28	Title	<b>Revised:</b> Revised title language to reflect change in the current edition of the model code.
3	2808	Title	3	2808	Title	<b>Revised:</b> Revised title language to reflect change in the current edition of the model code and keep prior VCFD amendments.
3	2808.2	Storage site				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Section was originally just reprinted from the adopted model code for reader convenience. Section is still in effect under current edition of the model code.

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3	2808.3	Size of piles	3	2808.3	Size of piles	<b>Revised:</b> Section was updated to address changes in the exception in the model code.
3	2808.4	Pile separation				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Section was originally just reprinted from the adopted model code for reader convenience. Section is still in effect under current edition of the model code.
3	2808.5	Combustible waste				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Section was originally just reprinted from the adopted model code for reader convenience. Section is still in effect under current edition of the model code.
3	2808.7	Pile fire protection				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Section was originally just reprinted from the adopted model code for reader convenience. Section is still in effect under current edition of the model code.
3	2808.8	Fire extinguishers				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Section was originally just reprinted from the adopted model code for reader convenience. Section is still in effect under current edition of the model code.
3	2808.9	Material-handling equipment				<b>Deleted:</b> Section was deleted from VCFPD Ordinance. Section was originally just reprinted from the adopted model code for reader convenience. Section is still in effect under current edition of the model code.
			3	2810	Outdoor pallet storage, manufacturing and processing	<b>Added:</b> This section was added to address public safety issues related to outdoor pallet storage, manufacturing and processing facilities not address in the current edition of the model codes.

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3	5004.14	Enclosures	3	5003.13	Enclosures	<b>Revised:</b> This section was renumbered to move it to a more appropriate section in the current edition of the model code. The requirements of the amendment have not changed from Ord 28 and have been in effect since 1991.
3	5601.2	Fireworks prohibited	3	5601.1.3	Fireworks prohibited	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	5601.3	Seizure	3	5601.7	Seizure	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	B103.1	Decreases				<b>Deleted:</b> VCFPD has not amended to this section. It was previously reprinted in the ordinance as a convience. In an effort to reduce the size of the ordinance, all non-amended sections reprinted in the ordinance are being removed. The requirement of this section still is in effect under the model code.
3	B103.2	Increases				<b>Deleted:</b> VCFPD has not amended to this section. It was previously reprinted in the ordinance as a convience. In an effort to reduce the size of the ordinance, all non-amended sections reprinted in the ordinance are being removed. The requirement of this section still is in effect under the model code.



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3	B103.3	Areas without water supply systems				<b>Deleted:</b> VCFPD has not amended to this section. It was previously reprinted in the ordinance as a convience. In an effort to reduce the size of the ordinance, all non-amended sections reprinted in the ordinance are being removed. The requirement of this section still is in effect under the model code.
3	B104	Fire-flow calculation area				<b>Deleted:</b> VCFPD has not amended to this section. It was previously reprinted in the ordinance as a convience. In an effort to reduce the size of the ordinance, all non-amended sections reprinted in the ordinance are being removed. The requirement of this section still is in effect under the model code.
3	B105.1	One and two-family dwellings and Group U private garages	3	B105.1	One and two-family dwellings, Group R-3 and Group R-4, townhouses and Group U private garages	<b>Revised:</b> Added language to include to include Group R-4 occupancies and townhouses in addition to Group R-3s. Also removed previous flat 1,000 gpm fire flow requirement, along with VCFPD exceptions and added reference to the tables and exeptions in the model code to required fire flow.
3	B105.1	One and two-family dwellings and Group U private garages	3	B105.1	One and two-family dwellings, Group R-3 and Group R-4, townhouses and Group U private garages	<b>Revised:</b> Removed all exceptions but one as most are either now allow under application of the model code or not applicable. The one exception left addresses allowances for older water systems in the jurisdiction that were designed for a maximum 500 gpm fire-flow and will not be able to make the flows required under the current model codes.

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3	B105.2	Buildings other than one and two-family dwellings and Group U private garages	3	B105.2	Buildings other than one and two-family dwellings, Group R-3 and R-4, townhouses and Group U private garages	<b>Revised:</b> Added language to include to include Group R-4 occupancies and townhouses in addition to Group R-3s. Also updated references to tables and exceptions within the model code and removed VCFPD exceptions no longer needed.
3	B105.2.1	Minimum fire hydrant flows	3	507.5.7	Minimum fire hydrant flows	<b>Revised:</b> Information relocated to better fit subject matter.
3	C102.1	Fire hydrant locations	3	C103.1	Hydrant spacing	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to move it to a more appropriate section in the current edition of the model code. There was minor language change in the model code, but the requirements of the amendment have not changed from Ord 28.
3	Appendix K	Temporary haunted houses, ghost walks and similar amusement uses	3	Appendix N	Temporary haunted houses, ghost walks and similar amusement uses	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	Appendix L	Fire protection systems	3	Chapter 9	Fire protection systems	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions of Appendix L were incorporated into Chapter 9 Sections 903.1 and 903.2 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	L101	General				<b>Deleted:</b> With the modifications of 903.1 and 903.2, the provisions of this amendment are now covered by Section 903.1 without modification.
3	L102.1	Definitions	3	202	Definitions	<b>Revised:</b> The terms previously defined in Appendix L have been relocated in Chapter 2, the definitions chapter.
3	L103, L103.1, L103.2	Where required	3	903.2	Where required	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.2 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.

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3	L103.2.1	Concurrent permits	3	903.1.2	Concurrent permits	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.1.2 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	L103.3	Previously exempt buildings and uses	3	903.2	Where required	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.2 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	L103.3.1	Additions	3	903.1.6	Previously exempted	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.1.6 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	L103.3.2	Change of use	3	903.1.7	Change of use	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.1.7 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	L104.1.1	Fire walls	3	903.1.3	Fire walls	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.1.3 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	L104.1.2	Coverage	3	903.2.8.1.1	Coverage	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.2.8.1.1 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	L104.1.3	Modifications	3	903.1.4	Modifications	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.1.4 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.

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3	L105.1	General	3	903.1.5	Maintenance of area separation walls	<b>Revised:</b> Provisions contained in this section have been relocated into Section 903.1.5 for ease of use and to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code. Language has also been added to clarify the application of this section.
3	Appendix M	Fire safety provisions for hazardous fire areas	3	Appendix V	Fire safety provisions for hazardous fire areas	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	M102.4	Fire safety provisions for hazardous fire areas	3	V102.4	Fire safety provisions for hazardous fire areas	<b>Revised:</b> Language was revised to remove the use of lien on a non-compliant parcel and allow the use of the provisions for notice, abatement and collection of costs as provided under Appendix W of this ordinance.
3	M104.6.1	General	3	M104.6.1	Permits	<b>Revised:</b> Section was updated to clarify the requirements for open burning and use of portable outdoor fireplaces in a wildland fire area and the necessary fire code permits required.
3	M104.6.2	Permits	3	M104.6.2	Additional requirements	<b>Revised:</b> Section was updated to specify a more tangible wind speed when fires shall be extinguished along with some editorial changes.
3	M104.6.3	Restrictions				<b>Deleted:</b> Section deleted as the provisions contained therein are addressed in other sections of this code.
3	M105.4.3	Separation	3	V105.4.3	Separation	<b>Revised:</b> Language was added to allow a reduce separation of piles that do not exceed 1,000 cubic feet. This change is to allow for less stringent requirements on individual property owners with small quantities of material stored on-site.
3	M107.4	Access roadways	3	V107.4	Access roadways	<b>Revised:</b> Removed reference to Section 503 and added reference to VCFPD Ord 29, the proposed access ordinance.

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3	Appendix N	Administrative citations	3	Appendix U	Administrative citations	<b>Revised:</b> Section was renumbered to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code.
3	W102.1	Definitions	3	W102.1	Definitions	<b>Revised:</b> Relocated definition of defensible space from Section 202 for easier use by reader.
3	W105.1	Structures	3	W105.1	Structures	<b>Revised:</b> Add language to clarify the property owner is only responsible for clearing material on their property.
3	W105.1.1	Trees	3	W105.1.1	Trees	<b>Revised:</b> Reduced the vertical clearance requirement above a roof from 10 feet to 3 feet under item #3 and added the word vertical under item #4 to clarify the requirement for clearance from chimneys.
3	W105.1.5	Prefabricated sea cargo/metal storage containers used for storage	3	W105.1.5	Prefabricated sea cargo/metal storage containers used for storage	<b>Revised:</b> Added clarification that containers must be separated from another container by a minimum of 6 feet and not the 30 feet required to any building.
			3	W105.1.6	Mulch and wood chips within the required defensible space.	<b>Added:</b> This section was added to codify requirements for the application of mulch and wood chips in the defensible space of structures located within a hazardous fire area.
4		Effective date	4		Effective date	<b>Revised:</b> Reference to Appendix L was updated to Appendix 9A to account for use of old section number in the current edition of the model code. Also updated the effective date of the ordinance.