

RESOLUTION NO. 20-139

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE VENTURA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT WAIVING CERTAIN FEES RELATED TO THE REBUILDING OF STRUCTURES DAMAGED OR DESTROYED IN NATURAL DISASTERS**

**WHEREAS**, on December 5, 2017, the Governor of the State of California proclaimed a State of Emergency existed in Ventura County due to the Thomas Fire; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 5, 2017, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors determined that a local emergency existed in Ventura County and ratified the proclamation of local emergency by the Sheriff of Ventura County, acting as the County Director of Emergency Services; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 8, 2017, the Ventura County Health Officer and the Ventura County Environmental Health Director declared a local health emergency related to the Thomas Fire and associated fire debris, which the Ventura County Board of Supervisors subsequently ratified; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 9, 2018, the Lieutenant Governor, serving in the capacity of Acting Governor of the State of California, proclaimed a State of Emergency existed in Ventura County due to the Hill and Woolsey Fires; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 13, 2018, the Ventura County Board of Supervisors determined that a local emergency existed in Ventura County and ratified the proclamation of local emergency by the Sheriff of Ventura County, acting as the County Director of Emergency Services; and

**WHEREAS**, on November 9, 2018, the Ventura County Health Officer and the Ventura County Environmental Health Director declared a local health emergency related to the Hill and Woolsey Fires and associated fire debris, which the Ventura County Board of Supervisors subsequently ratified; and

**WHEREAS**, approximately 600 dwellings were destroyed or substantially damaged in the unincorporated area of Ventura County by the Thomas, Hill and Woolsey Fires, displacing hundreds of county residents from their properties and homes and impacting businesses; and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of those residents displaced by the Thomas, Hill and Woolsey Fires as well as the greater community of Ventura County to allow the disaster recovery process to continue in a timely and efficient manner;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Directors of the Ventura County Fire Protection District hereby directs that until December 31, 2022 the following fees be waived for (a) permits for temporary dwellings on properties with structures destroyed or substantially damaged by the Thomas, Hill or Woolsey Fire where the fire debris has been properly disposed of and the current property owner also owned the subject property at the time of the fire event; (b) permits for recreational vehicles occupied by individuals who lost their dwellings in the Thomas, Hill or Woolsey Fires when the recreational vehicles are located on properties not covered by subsection (a) above (if authorized in writing by the property owner); and (c) permits for rebuilding structures destroyed or substantially damaged by the Thomas, Hill or Woolsey Fire that were previously permitted or legally non-conforming, where the fire debris has been properly

disposed of, and the current property owner also owned the subject property at the time of the fire event:

Fire Protection District Fees

- Expedited Plan Check Review Fee: \$608

Upon motion of Supervisor Zaragoza, seconded by Supervisor Huber, and duly carried, the Board of Directors hereby approves and adopts this resolution on the 8th of December, 2020.

  
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Chair, Board of Directors  
Ventura County Fire Protection District

ATTEST:  
Michael Powers,  
Clerk of the Board of Directors  
County of Ventura, State of California.

By:   
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Deputy Clerk of the Board

