



County of San Mateo

Inter-Departmental Correspondence

Department: COUNTY EXECUTIVE

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Special Notice / Hearing: None
Vote Required: Majority

To: Honorable Board of Supervisors

From: Michael P. Callagy, County Executive
Adam Ely, Deputy County Executive
Jonathan Cox, Deputy Fire Chief

Subject: Resolution Acknowledging Receipt of Compliance Report made by the San Mateo County Fire Department Regarding State Mandated Fire Inspections

RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution acknowledging receipt of a compliance report made by the San Mateo County Fire Department regarding state mandated inspections pursuant to Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 of the California Health and Safety Code.

BACKGROUND:

Existing state law requires California fire departments to enforce the fire code as adopted.

Additionally, fire departments are required to perform annual inspections of every building used as a public or private school, as well as all apartment houses, hotels, motels, and lodging houses for compliance with the adopted codes. The law requires every city or county fire department or district required to perform the above-described inspections to report annually to its administering authority, as defined, on the department's or district's compliance with the above-described inspection requirements, as provided. The law further requires the administering authority, here the County of San Mateo, to acknowledge receipt of the compliance report.

DISCUSSION:

For calendar year 2023, the San Mateo County Fire Department reports that it conducted 32 State Fire Marshal Mandated inspections as follows:

EDUCATIONAL GROUP E OCCUPANCIES:

Educational Group E occupancies are generally those public and private schools, used by more than six persons at any one time for educational purposes through the 12th grade. Within the San Mateo County Fire Department service area, per our records, there lie 15 Group E occupancies, buildings, structures and/or facilities. During calendar year 2023, the San Mateo County Fire Department

completed the annual inspection of 15 Group E occupancies, buildings, structures and/or facilities. This is a compliance rate of 100 percent for this reporting period.

INSTITUTIONAL GROUP I OCCUPANCIES:

Within the San Mateo County Fire Department service area, per our records, lie 4 Group I (and their associated sub-categories) occupancies of this nature. During calendar year 2023, the San Mateo County Fire Department completed the annual inspection of 4 Group I occupancies, buildings, structures and/or facilities. This is a compliance rate of 100 percent for this reporting period.

RESIDENTIAL GROUP R OCCUPANCIES:

Residential Group R occupancies, for the purposes of this resolution, are generally those occupancies containing sleeping units and include hotels, motels, apartments (three units or more), etc. as well as other residential occupancies (including a several residential care facilities). These residential care facilities have a several different sub- classifications, and they may contain residents or clients that have a range of needs, including those related to custodial care, mobility impairments, cognitive disabilities, etc. The residents may also be non-ambulatory or bedridden. Within the San Mateo County Fire Department service area, per our records, lie 13 Group R (and their associated sub-categories) occupancies of this nature. During calendar year 2023, the San Mateo County Fire Department completed the annual inspection of 13 Group R occupancies, buildings, structures and/or facilities. This is a compliance rate of 100 percent for this reporting period.

In compliance with Section 13146.4 of the Health and Safety Code, the accompanying resolution acknowledges the San Mateo County Board of Supervisors receipt of this compliance report.

The County Attorney's office has reviewed and approved the resolution as to form.

FISCAL IMPACT:

None.