

City of Hermosa Beach

**ORDINANCE FOR INTRODUCTION AMENDING
SUBSECTION 17.08.020 (D) OF THE HERMOSA
BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE PERTAINING TO
HOME OCCUPATIONS (CITYWIDE).**



January 13, 2026

Background

- Interdepartmental review identified opportunities to modernize and clarify Business License Application processes
- Business licensing regulated under HBMC Chapter 5.04 and 17.08.020
- Amendments to HBMC 17.08.020(D) to simplify and expedite business licensing
- Planning Commission reviewed/approved proposed amendments on December 16, 2025, via Resolution #25-24



Proposed Amendments to HBMC 17.08.020 (D)

1. Update subsection (7):

- Changes department name to “Community Development Department”

2. Update subsection (11):

- Changes title to “Community Development Director”

3. Update Subsection (12):

- Per Planning Commission’s recommendation, the Planning Commission review was removed and replaced with review and approval by the “Community Development Director.”

4. Delete subsection (17):

- Removes requirement for physical inspections
- Aligns with regional best practices; reduces delays



Next Steps

1. Determine the Project Exempt from CEQA; and
2. Conduct a public hearing to consider amending subsection 17.08.020 (D) of the Hermosa Beach Municipal Code pertaining to Home Occupations (Citywide); and
3. Introduce by title only and waive first reading of an Ordinance of the City of the Hermosa Beach, California approving Zoning Text Amendment (TA25-04) pertaining to Home Occupations.



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