

EXHIBIT A

Findings to Support Local Amendments to the 2025 California Building Standards Code

Pursuant to California Health and Safety Code sections 17958.5, 17958.7, and 18941.5, this exhibit sets forth the City Council’s findings supporting the City’s local amendments to the 2025 California Building Standards Code. These amendments are necessary due to local climatic, geologic, and topographic conditions in Hermosa Beach, including coastal salt exposure, dense development, high groundwater, and aging infrastructure.

JUSTIFICATION KEY

- A. Administrative amendment necessary for enforcement of building standards.
- B. B. Based on local climatic, geologic, or topographic conditions, including:
 - i. Salt laden air and corrosive marine environment.
 - ii. Dense development with narrow lots and minimal separation.
 - iii. Coastal hazards including flooding, storm surge, and high groundwater.
 - iv. Aging sewer and utility infrastructure.

Local Amendments Findings Table

Municipal Code Section (New Numbering)	State Code Section	Substance of Amendment	Justification
15.02.110	Admin / Appeals	Appeals heard by Administrative Hearing Officer	A

15.02.040	Admin / Permit Requirements	Clarifies work requiring permits and enforcement	A
15.02.060	CBC 105.5	Extended permit expiration periods	A
15.04 (CBC Amendments)	CBC 3307	Construction protection for adjoining property	B ii, B iii
15.02.090	Admin / Stop Work	Stop work authority and enforcement	A
15.02.080	Admin / Cost Recovery	Cost recovery authority	A
15.02.120	Admin / Self Certification	Professional self certification program	A
15.02.130	Local Requirement	Construction rules sign requirement	A
15.02.140	Definitions	Local definitions for enforcement clarity	A
15.06.010	CRC	Applies admin provisions to residential work	A
15.08.010	CEC	Applies admin provisions to electrical work	A

15.10.010	CMC	Applies admin provisions to mechanical work	A
15.12.010	CPC	Applies admin provisions to plumbing work	A
15.14.010	Energy Code	Applies admin provisions to the Energy Code	A
15.16.010	CALGreen	Applies admin provisions and local CALGreen amendments	A
15.18.010	Existing Building Code	Applies admin provisions to alterations and repairs	A
15.22.010	Referenced Standards Code	Adopts referenced standards and admin provisions	A
15.26.010	Local Amendment	Residential Building Record program (voluntary)	A