

## **East Contra Costa Fire Protection District**

**Meeting Date:** June 9, 2021

**Subject/Title:** Prevention Division Update

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### **Prevention Division**

This past month, the Fire Prevention Bureau has undoubtedly been focused on weed abatement throughout the District. We have also proposed and provided a letter of support for the new County ordinance that is being modified in relation to fireworks in the County areas. The new ordinance that we helped support will allow an investigation into fireworks being fired off without having to witness the person shooting them and hold the property owner responsible regardless if they aren't the one violating the firework's ordinance.

### **Engineering New Construction**

Permit activity in May picked back up from April's dip. A total of 131 projects were submitted for permits during the month. While there were no new commercial buildings submitted, we did get a few tenant improvements. The most growth continues in the new housing market where we issued 111 permits.

We also provided comments for 9 new projects coming into the District.

Plan Review / Permit Revenue for the month of May was \$120,278.00

### **Code Enforcement**

Our code enforcement efforts over the past included fire and life safety inspections of new residential care facilities, business occupancy inspections, State Fire Marshal Inspections, and one citation issued for fire access concerns in Oakley.

### **Investigations**

For the month of May, Investigations responses included 19 different calls for service. Of the 19 calls for service, 11 of these calls were for fires in the District. The District as a whole have investigated 11 fires with a total fire loss of \$177,250.00 dollars.

### **Exterior Hazard Vegetation Management**

As of May 16, 2021 we began our inspections of those properties known to the District of having annual and reoccurring hazards as well as began to accept complaints of new properties with potential combustible vegetation. To date, we received 243 cases throughout the District, 33 of those were abated by the property owner, and 148 inspections completed with proper notification sent out. We know the vegetation threat to our communities is exceptionally high this year and encourage all property owners to mitigate the threat to not only their personal property, but the community at large.

## May 2021 Fire Prevention Report

### Code Enforcement

Total number of State Mandated Inspections (SMI) 243

Other Compulsory Inspections (OCI)

|     | Inspected |     | Percentage |       |
|-----|-----------|-----|------------|-------|
|     | MTD       | YTD | MTD        | YTD   |
| SMI | 1         | 1   | 0.41%      | 0.41% |
| OCI | 7         | 94  |            |       |

#### Code Enforcement Mandated

|               | MTD | YTD | Totals |
|---------------|-----|-----|--------|
| E             | 0   | 0   | 191    |
| R-1           | 0   | 0   | 4      |
| R-2           | 0   | 0   | 191    |
| R-2.1         | 0   | 0   | 2      |
| R-4           | 0   | 0   | 4      |
| HR            | 0   | 0   | 0      |
| I-3 Bi-annual | 1   | 1   | 3      |

|           | MTD | YTD |      | MTD | YTD |
|-----------|-----|-----|------|-----|-----|
| A-1       | 0   | 0   | H-2  | 0   | 0   |
| A-2       | 0   | 0   | H-3  | 0   | 1   |
| A-3       | 0   | 1   | H-4  | 0   | 0   |
| A-4       | 0   | 0   | H-5  | 0   | 0   |
| A-5       | 0   | 0   | I-2  | 0   | 0   |
| B         | 2   | 3   | I2.1 | 0   | 0   |
| E-daycare | 0   | 0   | I-4  | 0   | 0   |
| F-1       | 0   | 0   | M    | 0   | 0   |
| F-2       | 0   | 0   | S-1  | 0   | 0   |
| H-1       | 0   | 0   | S-2  | 0   | 0   |

### Engineering

| Planning |     | Plans Reviewed |     | Inspections |     |
|----------|-----|----------------|-----|-------------|-----|
| MTD      | YTD | MTD            | YTD | MTD         | YTD |
| 9        | 34  | 131            | 585 | 193         | 896 |

### Investigations

|                          | MTD | YTD |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|
| Investigations Performed | 11  | 42  |