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ORDINANCE NO. 2022-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CULVER CITY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 9.02.005-9.02.070 (“CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE ADOPTION AND AMENDMENTS”) OF CHAPTER 9.02 OF TITLE 9 OF THE CULVER CITY MUNICIPAL CODE, AND ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2022 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE, WITH LOCAL AMENDMENTS

The City Council of the City of Culver City, California, **DOES HEREBY ORDAIN** as follows:

SECTION 1: That Sections 9.02.005-9.02.070 (“California Fire Code Adoption and Amendments”) of Title 9 of the Culver City Municipal Code, are hereby being amended; and that certain document, a copy of which is on file in the office of the City Clerk, being marked and designated as the 2021 International Fire Code, with errata, incorporating Part 9 of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations known as the 2022 California Fire Code, with errata, including the 2022 Fire Code Chapter 1 as amended, Chapter 4 as amended, Chapter 5 as amended, Chapter 11 as amended, Chapter 22 as amended, Chapter 33 as amended, Chapter 34 as amended, Chapter 48 as amended, Appendix Chapter 4, Appendix B, Appendix BB, Appendix C as amended, Appendix CC, Appendix D as amended, Appendix E, Appendix F, Appendix G, Appendix H, Appendix I, and Appendix J, as amended by the State Fire Marshal and adopted by the California Building Standards Commission, adopted as the Fire Code of the City of Culver City, in the State of California, and each and all of the regulations, provisions, penalties, conditions and terms of said Fire Code on file in the office of the City Clerk of Culver City are hereby referred to, adopted, and made a part hereof, as though fully set out in this ordinance, with the additions, insertions, amendments, deletions and changes, if any, prescribed in Section 2 of this Ordinance.

1 **SECTION 2:** Sections 9.02.005-9.02.070 (“California Fire Code Adoption and
2 Amendments”) of Title 9 of the Culver City Municipal Code, shall read as follows:

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4 ***California Fire Code Adoption and Amendments***

- 5 9.02.005 The 2021 International Fire Code with the 2022
6 California Fire Code adopted by reference
- 7 9.02.010 Violations and penalties
- 8 9.02.015 Amendments, additions, deletions, and substitutions
- 9 9.02.020 Amendment; Chapter 1 of the California Fire Code
- 10 9.02.025 Amendment; Chapter 2 of the California Fire Code
- 11 9.02.030 Amendment; Chapter 4 of the California Fire Code
- 12 9.02.035 Amendment; Chapter 5 of the California Fire Code
- 13 9.02.040 Amendment; Chapter 9 of the California Fire Code
- 14 9.02.045 Amendment; Chapter 20 of the California Fire Code
- 15 9.02.050 Amendment; Chapter 48 of the California Fire Code
- 16 9.02.055 Amendment; Appendix C of the California Fire Code
- 17 9.02.060 Amendment; Appendix D of the California Fire Code

18 **§ 9.02.005 THE 2021 INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE WITH THE 2022**
19 **CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE ADOPTED BY REFERENCE.**

20 A. The City Council hereby adopts all chapters, certain amendments,
21 additions, deletions and exceptions to the 2021 International Fire Code, with errata,
22 incorporating Part 9 of Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations known as the
23 2022 California Fire Code, with errata, including the 2022 Fire Code Chapter 1 as
24 amended, Chapter 2 as amended, Chapter 4 as amended, Chapter 5 as amended,
25 Chapter 9 as amended, Chapter 20 as amended, Chapter 48 as amended, Appendix
26 Chapter 4, Appendix B, Appendix BB, Appendix C as amended, Appendix CC,
27 Appendix D as amended, Appendix E, Appendix F, Appendix G, Appendix H,
28 Appendix I, and Appendix N as adopted by the California Building Standards

1 Commission, Chapter 9.02, the Zoning Code, as set forth in Title 17 of this Code,
2 and any other City regulations relating to existing zoning, fireworks, building trades,
3 is hereby adopted. The provisions of the International Fire Code, with errata,
4 California Fire Code, and Fire Code Appendices, as indicated above, shall be
5 applicable in the City and referred to as the "Fire Code of the City of Culver City."

6 B. One copy of the Fire Code of the City of Culver City shall be available
7 in the Fire Prevention office for public inspection.

8 **§ 9.02.010 VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES.**

9 A. No person shall violate any provision or fail to comply with the
10 requirements of the Fire Code of the City of Culver City, hereinafter referred to as
11 the "Fire Code." Any person violating any of the provisions or failing to comply with
12 any of the requirements of the Fire Code shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall
13 be punished in accordance with §1.01.035 and §1.01.040 of this Code.

14 B. In addition to the penalties herein provided above, any condition
15 caused or permitted to exist in violation of any provision of the Fire Code, shall be
16 deemed a public nuisance and may be summarily abated as such, and each day
17 such condition continues, shall be regarded as a new and separate offense.

18 **§ 9.02.015 AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND**
19 **SUBSTITUTIONS.**

20 The Fire Code is amended as provided in this Subchapter.

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22 **§ 9.02.020 AMENDMENTS; CHAPTER 1 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE**
23 **CODE.**

24 Section 104.1.1 Fire Prevention Standard Operating Policy Manual. A Fire
25 Code Departmental Policy Manual, known as the Culver City Fire Prevention
26 Standard Operating Guidelines has been created and adopted to serve as
27 instructions and interpretations of the adopted Fire Code. The Policy Manual shall be
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1 a published document, maintained in the Fire Prevention office, and amended from
2 time to time to provide current instruction and interpretation.

3 Section 105.1.1.1 Permit Fees. Permit Fees shall be adopted by resolution of
4 the City Council.

5 Section 105.6.3.1 Aviation. An operational permit is required for all types of
6 aircraft that are flying, hovering, landing, lifting, filming, parking, or conducting similar
7 activities.

8 Section 105.6.14.1 Permits to Conduct Displays of Fireworks Granted by City
9 Council. The City Council, by resolution, upon written application as provided in this
10 Subchapter and subject to the provisions of this Subchapter, may grant two (2)
11 permits to conduct a public display of fireworks in a calendar year, each display to
12 occur on a separate date. The City Council may by resolution, grant an additional
13 special permit for a public fireworks display sponsored by the City.

14 Section 105.6.14.2 Application for Permit; Conditions for Filing. An application
15 for a permit to conduct a public display of fireworks shall be filed in compliance with
16 all of the following:

17 A. Application for a permit to conduct a public display of fireworks shall be
18 filed in the Office of the City Manager, on forms provided by the City, at least 180
19 days prior to the date requested for conducting the public display of fireworks.

20 B. The following information shall be included on the application:

21 1. The location of the public display of fireworks as approved by
22 the Culver City Fire Department;

23 2. The location for storage of the fireworks to be displayed as
24 approved by the Culver City Fire Department, if within the City;

25 3. Who, if anyone, will provide management services to the
26 applicant for the public display of fireworks and evidence that such manager has
27 complied with all business tax certificate requirements; and
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1 4. Transportation routes and any other information deemed
2 necessary by the City Council for the consideration of the application.

3 C. Evidence of the following types of insurance in a form with
4 endorsements as approved by the City Attorney and in an amount as established by
5 the City Attorney and the Fire Chief, but not less than Five Million Dollars
6 (\$5,000,000.00) shall be filed with the application:

7 1. Commercial general liability insurance; combined single limit,
8 bodily injury and property damage, each occurrence;

9 2. Premises/operation liability;

10 3. Contractual liability, specifically referencing indemnification
11 agreements with the City; and

12 4. Products liability, including completed operations liability.

13 D. All fees required pursuant to this Code and City Council resolution
14 shall be paid at the time of filing the application; and

15 E. Evidence of compliance with any special conditions required by the
16 Culver City Fire Department because of the location of the public display of
17 fireworks.

18 Section 105.6.14.3 Conditions Governing Permit. Any permit granted
19 to conduct a public display of fireworks shall be governed by all of the following:

20 A. The public display of fireworks shall be conducted by a duly licensed
21 pyrotechnician who shall have obtained Culver City Fire Department approval no
22 later than the last day of June of the year in which the permit is granted;

23 B. One public display of fireworks may be conducted on July 4th, and one
24 may be conducted on another day. Any fireworks display shall be conducted strictly
25 in accordance with all regulations and conditions specified in this Subchapter and in
26 the City Council resolution granting the permit;

1 C. Any attempt to transfer a permit to any person shall void the permit;

2 D. The permittee shall agree, in writing, to indemnify and hold harmless
3 the City, its officers, representatives, and employees from any loss or liability or
4 damages, including expenses and costs, for bodily injury or property damage
5 sustained by any person as a result of any operation related to the permit; and

6 E. Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this Subchapter shall
7 preclude consideration of any application filed if permits have not been granted
8 thereunder; and shall be sufficient cause of the revocation of any permit previously
9 issued.

10 Section 105.6.14.4 Time Limits. The City Council, by resolution, may extend
11 or shorten the time requirements established by this Subchapter.

12 Section 105.6.14.5 Rescission of Prohibition. The prohibition set forth in
13 Chapter 56 of the California Fire Code shall not be rescinded by the City Council
14 without the approval of a majority of the voters voting at a regular or special election.

15 Section 105.6.37.1 Special Events and Assemblage. A permit is required for
16 special events and assemblages.

17 Section 105.6.51.1 Non-Defined Operations. An operational permit may be
18 required after a Fire Department Review for hazards to people or property from the
19 proposed operation, system or event.

20 Section 105.6.51.2 Permits. A permit shall be required as set forth in the
21 Culver City, City Council approved fee schedule for all special event and
22 assemblages.

23 Section 105.6.51.3 Special Event Application and Submittals. All special
24 events and assemblages shall be submitted to the Fire Department for review. All
25 applications shall have a contact name, phone number, business name, address, a
26 plot plan, floor plan and sufficient detail and information to allow for a comprehensive
27 evaluation. Permits, Fire Safety Officers, security, and other issues determined by
28 the review shall be provided by the event organizer prior to allowing the event or

1 assemblage to operate. Tents in excess of 400 square feet needed for a special
2 event or assemblage shall meet the requirements of Chapter 31 and require a
3 separate fire permit.

4 Section 109.4 Appeals. Protests and appeals from the enforcement of this
5 Code shall be made to the Municipal Code Appeals Committee in accordance with
6 Section 1.01.065 of the Culver City Municipal Code.

7 **§ 9.02.025 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 2 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE.**

8 Chapter 2 Definitions is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 Section 202, Existing Building/Structure Square Footage. The existing square
10 footage of a building/structure is defined as the remaining square footage after all
11 demolition of the building has been completed.

12 Section 202, Existing Roof Structure Square Footage. The existing square
13 footage of a roof structure is defined as the remaining square footage of the roof
14 structure after all demolition of the roof structure has been completed.

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16 **§ 9.02.030 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 4 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE**

17 Chapter 4 is hereby amended to read as follows:

18 Section 403.11.1.5.1 Identification. Identification numbers shall be provided
19 for all individual units in covered mall buildings, multi-unit buildings and other
20 commercial complexes, and shall be placed in such a position as to be plainly visible
21 and legible. The position and size of such identification numbers shall be determined
22 by the Fire Code Official. Numbers and names shall be provided for all enclosed
23 rooms and spaces, including service rooms, mechanical rooms, closets, and similar
24 spaces to identify use.

25 **§ 9.02.035 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 5 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE.**

26 Chapter 5 is hereby amended to read as follows:
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1 Section 503.1.2.1 Difficult Apparatus Access. If the Fire Code Official or
2 his/her designee determines that access for fire apparatus and equipment to any
3 building or structure is unduly difficult, installation of an automatic fire-extinguishing
4 system shall be required.

5 504.1.1 Keysets, Handles, Locks and Keys. As determined by a Fire
6 Department review, all noted exterior doors shall be provided with locksets and
7 handles for Fire Department Access. Keys for required access shall be provided by
8 the owner and made readily available in the KNOX Box.

9 Section 504.5 Catwalks and Ladders. Upon review, buildings with parapets
10 and other construction that exceeds five (5) feet from the roof may be required to
11 provide non-combustible catwalks and ladders.

12 Section 504.6 Exterior Structure Requirements. All buildings with wall tops
13 and/or parapets with soft materials, rails or other construction that creates a hazard
14 to safe access for firefighting purposes shall have solid surfaces to support the use
15 of ladders, firefighters with gear and other suppression equipment. Review and
16 approval of surfaces shall be by the Fire Code Official.

17 **§ 9.02.040 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 9 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE**

18 Chapter 9 of the Fire Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

19 Section 901.4.1.1 Automatic Fire-Extinguishing System. An automatic fire-
20 extinguishing (sprinkler) system shall be installed in every new building in the City,
21 including any new residential building, hereinafter constructed or moved into the
22 City, regardless of area separation or type of construction.

23 *EXCEPTION: New buildings/additions less than 500 square feet may be*
24 *exempted upon approval of the Fire Code Official.*

25 Section 901.4.1.2 Commercial, Industrial and Multi-Family. In existing
26 commercial, industrial and multi-family residential occupancies, fire sprinklers shall
27 be required in existing and new portions of the building for height increases, area
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1 increases of 50% or more, and for any occupancy change that increases fire risk or
2 hazard.

3 Section 901.4.1.3 Residential. Existing one and two family dwellings shall be
4 required to install a fully automatic fire sprinkler system in existing and new portions
5 of the building when a story is added, more than 75% of the existing roof structure is
6 replaced, or when the enclosed floor area is increased by more than 75%. NOTE:
7 See Culver City Amended Chapter 2 for the definition of "EXISTING
8 BUILDING/STRUCTURE AND ROOF STRUCTURE."

9 Section 903.3.5.1 Domestic Service. Where the domestic service provides
10 the water supply for the automatic sprinkler system, the supply shall be a minimum
11 1-inch water meter.

12 Section 903.3.8 Partial Fire Sprinkler Systems. Where in the Fire Code or the
13 Building Code a partial fire sprinkler system is allowed or required, the fire sprinkler
14 system shall be installed, modified or extended to protect the entire building or
15 structure.

16 Section 903.3.8.5.1 Hydraulically Calculated Systems. The design of
17 hydraulically calculated fire sprinkler systems shall not exceed 90% of the water
18 supply capacity.

19 Section 903.4.2.1 Interior Audible Device. An interior audible device shall be
20 required in an approved location and shall be connected to the automatic sprinkler
21 system.

22 Section. 907.1.6 Projection Room Controls. All projection equipment and
23 audio equipment shall be interconnected to the fire alarm system for shut down,
24 upon an interrupt signal from the fire alarm panel, to prevent interference of all visual
25 and audible evacuation devices and directions from the theatre staff for evacuation
26 directions.

1 **§ 9.02.045 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 20 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE**
2 **CODE.**

3 Chapter 20 is hereby amended to read as follows:

4 Section 2001.3.1 Permits. All flight operations within the City of Culver City
5 are required to have an approved Culver City Fire Department permit. Permits shall
6 cover but not be limited to: flight to perform lifts, hovering, fly over, landings, filming
7 and other operations while flying, hovering or landing.

8 Section 2001.3.2 Operation and Review Standards. Compliance with CA Fire
9 Code Chapter 20 and CCMC 9.09 shall be used to obtain a flight permit and the
10 requirements for flight operations and approvals. All operations shall be reviewed
11 and approved by the Fire Department. Landing, fueling, repairs, and storage are
12 limited. The need for providing standby personnel, Fire Safety Officers and permits
13 for any or all activities shall be determined by the Fire Department.

14 **§ 9.02.050 AMENDMENT; CHAPTER 48 OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE**
15 **CODE.**

16 Chapter 48 is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 Section 4804.6.1 Illumination. The approved perimeter aisles shall be
18 illuminated at floor level with light fixtures spaced at intervals of not more than fifty
19 (50) feet apart and providing a minimum light intensity of not less than (1) foot-
20 candle. Power for the emergency light fixtures shall be supplied as required by
21 Culver City Fire Department Regulations. All Exit and Emergency lights shall comply
22 with the Building Code requirements for two sources of power with one of the two
23 sources of power provided by approved batteries.

24 Section. 4804.10 Flammable Liquids and Compressed Gases on Sound
25 Stages. Unless approved, in writing, by the Fire Code Official, flammable liquids and
26 compressed flammable gases shall be prohibited on television and motion picture
27 sound stages.

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1 Section 4804.11 Fire Department Filming and Performance Regulations. All
2 Motion Picture and Television Production Studio Sound Stages, Approved
3 Production Facilities and Productions Locations shall comply with Culver City Fire
4 Department Filming and Performance Regulations. Fire Department Filming
5 Regulations are available for review at the Fire Prevention counter.

6 **§ 9.02.055 AMENDMENT; APPENDIX C OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE**
7 **CODE.**

8 Appendix C is hereby amended to read as follows:

9 Section C101.1.2. Use Table as Indicated. Whenever the reference is made
10 to Table C102.1, use Culver City Fire Department requirements of 300-foot fire
11 hydrant spacing in commercial/industrial/residential areas for Hydrant Placement,
12 Spacing and Specifications. Maximum distance of a fire hydrant to an FDC shall not
13 exceed 100 feet.

14 **§ 9.02.060 AMENDMENT; APPENDIX D, OF THE CALIFORNIA FIRE**
15 **CODE.**

16 Appendix D is hereby amended to read as follows:

17 Section D101.1.2. Use Table as Indicated. Upon review of a project and
18 based on Fire Department access and water supplies, the Fire Department may
19 change the tables to mitigate special hazards.

20 **SECTION 3:** Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to affect any suit
21 or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or
22 any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or Ordinance
23 hereby repealed as cited in Section 1 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal
24 right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

25 **SECTION 4:** Pursuant to Section 619 of the City Charter, this Ordinance shall
26 take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption. Pursuant to Section 616 and 621 of the
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1 City Charter, prior to the expiration of fifteen (15) days after the adoption, the City
2 Clerk shall cause this Ordinance, or a summary thereof, to be published in the
3 Culver City News and shall post this Ordinance or a summary thereof in at least
4 three (3) places within the City.

5 **SECTION 5:** City Council hereby declares that, if any provision, section,
6 subsection, paragraph, sentence, phrase or word of this Ordinance is rendered or
7 declared invalid or unconstitutional by any final action in a court of competent
8 jurisdiction or by reason of any preemptive legislation, then the City Council would
9 have independently adopted the remaining provisions, sections, subsections,
10 paragraphs, sentences, phrases, or words of this Ordinance, and as such they shall
11 remain in full force and effect.


12 APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2022.

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16 DR. DANIEL LEE, MAYOR
17 City of Culver City, California

18 ATTEST:

19 APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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21 _____
22 JEREMY BOCCHINO
23 City Clerk

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27 HEATHER S. BAKER
28 City Attorney