

CITY OF COLFAX

ORDINANCE NO. 545

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COLFAX AMENDING COLFAX MUNICIPAL  
CODE CHAPTER 2.28 PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENT**

The City Council of the City of Colfax does ordain as follows:

Section 1:

Colfax Municipal Code Title 2, Chapter 2.28 is hereby amended by adding Section 2.28.100 in the form and substance contained in the Ordinance attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by this reference.

Section 2. Superceding Provisions

The provisions of this Ordinance and any resolution adopted pursuant hereto shall supersede and repeal any previous Ordinance or resolution to the extent the same is in conflict herewith.

Section 3. Severability

If any section, phrase, sentence, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by the final judgment of any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision; and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

Section 4. California Environmental Quality Act Findings

The City of Colfax finds that, if the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code §21000 et seq (hereinafter "CEQA") apply, the title of this ordinance would constitute a brief description of the "Project" as required by Section 15062(a)(1) of the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act published by the State of California Office of Planning and Research (the "CEQA Guidelines").

FINDING OF NO PROJECT

The City of Colfax finds that adoption of this ordinance does not constitute a "Project" as that term is defined by or used in CEQA, the CEQA Guidelines or any court or attorney general opinion construing the same. Accordingly, the City of Colfax finds that the provisions of CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines are not applicable to said action.

FINDING OF EXEMPTION

In the event that it is found that the said action constitutes a "Project" as defined by or used in CEQA or the CEQA Guidelines, which finding would be contrary to the City's opinion of its action, the City of Colfax hereby finds that said action is exempt from compliance with CEQA and the CEQA Guidelines, for the following reasons: The action falls within the exemptions provided by Senate Bill 94, and within the "common sense" CEQA exemption provided in 14

CCR 15061(b)(3) in that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Where it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the action may have a significant effect on the environment, the action is not subject to CEQA. CEQA Guidelines, Section 15061(b)(3). It can be seen with certainty that adoption of this ordinance and its provisions cannot possibly have a significant effect on the environment.

Section 5. Effective Date

This Ordinance, and all of its provisions, shall take effect thirty (30) days after its adoption and shall, within 15 days after its adoption, be published or posted in accordance with Section 36933 of the Government Code of the State of California with the names of those City Council members voting for and against it.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced at a duly held regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Colfax held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2021, and passed and adopted at a duly held regular meeting of the City Council held on the 14th day of July, 2021, by the following vote:

**AYES: Mendoza, Ackerman, Burruss, Fatula, Lomen**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**



Sean Lomen, Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Alfred Cabral  
City Attorney

ATTEST:



Amy Lind  
City Clerk