

RESOLUTION R2025-XX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MANTECA, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A 2026 BUILDING PERMIT AMNESTY PROGRAM TO ASSIST RESIDENTS IN LEGALIZING UNPERMITTED RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Manteca recognizes the importance of ensuring that all residential structures comply with applicable building and safety codes to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community; and

WHEREAS, on February 4, 2025, the City Council directed staff to explore options for assisting residents in the legalization of unpermitted dwellings and accessory dwelling units (ADUs) within the City; and

WHEREAS, staff has researched amnesty programs implemented in other California jurisdictions and determined that a temporary, voluntary program can be an effective tool to increase compliance, enhance safety, and reduce barriers for property owners seeking to legalize unpermitted work; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Building Permit Amnesty Program will provide property owners a clear, affordable, and time-limited opportunity to obtain required permits, inspections, and approvals for unpermitted residential construction completed prior to January 1, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the program will temporarily suspend certain enforcement actions and penalties for participating property owners while maintaining all applicable building and life safety standards; and

WHEREAS, the program would be applicable to any unpermitted construction that does not have any current Code Enforcement action as of December 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to approve and implement the Building Permit Amnesty Program for the 2026 calendar year.

WHEREAS, the City Council has considered all information related to this matter, as presented at the public meetings of the City Council identified herein, including any supporting reports by City Staff, and any information provided during public meetings.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Manteca, as follows:

1. The City Council hereby approves the Building Permit Amnesty Program as described in the staff report dated October 21, 2025.

2. The Director of Development Services, or their designee, is authorized to implement and administer the program, including conducting public outreach and processing eligible applications.
3. The Building Permit Amnesty Program shall be effective for the 2026 calendar year, commencing January 1, 2026, and expiring December 31, 2026, unless extended or modified by subsequent Council action.
4. The City Council hereby finds that the facts set forth in the recitals to this Resolution are true and correct, and establish the factual basis for the City Council's adoption of this Resolution.
5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the City Council of the City of Manteca at a public meeting of said City Council held on the ____ day of _____, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

MAYOR: _____
GARY SINGH
Mayor

ATTEST: _____
CASSANDRA CANDINI-TILTON
City Clerk