

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-___

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
MENIFEE, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE FIRE HAZARD
SEVERITY ZONES PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE
SECTION 51178**

WHEREAS, California Government Code (Gov. Code) Section 51178, requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent statewide criteria and based on the severity of fire hazard that is expected to prevail in those areas; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Gov. Code Section 51179, a local agency must designate, by ordinance, moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones in its jurisdiction within 120 days of receiving recommendations from the State Fire Marshal pursuant to Section 51178; and

WHEREAS, the City of Menifee desires to adopt the FHSZ map as recommended from the State Fire Marshal to comply with state law.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Menifee does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Recitals. The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein by this reference.

SECTION 2. Designation of Fire Hazard Zones. The City of Menifee hereby approves the recommendation of the State Fire Marshal made pursuant to California Government Code Section 51178 and designates those areas within the City of Menifee as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones as shown on the Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map published by the Office of the State Fire Marshal.

SECTION 3. Adoption of Map. The City Council hereby adopts the portion of the State Fire Marshal's Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map covering the City of Menifee as the "City of Menifee Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map." A copy of the City of Menifee Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map is on file with the City Clerk and can also be found online at the City of Menifee's webpage and is incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 4. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance, and each and every section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase not declared invalid or unconstitutional, without regard to whether any portion of the Ordinance would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

SECTION 5. This Ordinance shall take effect August 1, 2025.

SECTION 6. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance, and shall cause to be published within 15 days after its passage in a newspaper of general circulation and circulated within the City in accordance with Government Code Section 36933(a) or, cause this Ordinance to be published in a manner required by law using the alternative summary and posting procedure authorized under Government Code Section 36933(c).

LRA Fire Ordinance
June 4, 2025

This Ordinance was introduced and read on the 4th day of June 2025 and **PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED**, this 18th day of June 2025.

Attest:

Ricky Estrada, Mayor

Stephanie Roseen, City Clerk

Approved as to form:

Jeffrey T. Melching, City Attorney