

**ROSS VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT
STAFF REPORT**

For the Meeting of March 8, 2023

To: Board of Directors

From: Jason Weber, Fire Chief

Subject: Approve Resolution 23-07 Acknowledging Receipt of Report Regarding Compliance of Inspections for Certain State Fire Marshal Regulated Occupancies Pursuant to Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 of the Health and Safety Code

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the Board approves Resolution No. 23-07 acknowledging receipt of report regarding the inspection compliance of certain State Fire Marshal Regulated occupancies.

DISCUSSION:

After the tragic 2016 “Ghost Ship Fire” in Oakland that killed 36 people, Senator Jerry Hill introduced SB 1205 The Fire protection services-Compliance Reporting. On September 27, 2018, Governor Brown approved Senate Bill 1205, requiring fire departments to report annually to its administering authority (RVFD Fire Board), on the department’s inspection compliance.

Fire departments are required to perform annual inspections of every building used as a public or private school, as well as all apartment houses, hotels, motels, and lodging houses for compliance with California Health and Safety Code Sections 13145 and 13146.

The bill requires the administering authority to acknowledge receipt of the report in a resolution or a similar formal document.

Inspection Compliance 2022:

Occupancy Type	Number of Occupancies within RVFD	Number Completed	Percentage Completed
Groupe E - Educational Facilities	25	23	92%
Group R – Apartments / Hotels	136	133	97.8%

Next Steps:

Our 2023 goal is to complete 100% percent of the State Fire Marshal regulated occupancy inspections.

Engine companies are assigned the Group R (Apartments/Hotels) occupancy inspections. Two of the three missing inspections were assigned wrong identifiers or misclassified in our records management system and have since been corrected. The remaining missing inspection has been assigned to an individual Captain and will be completed in 2023.

The Prevention Bureau is assigned the task of completing the Group E (Educational Facilities) occupancy inspections. The two outstanding inspections are scheduled to be completed by April 1, 2023.

A training was conducted for each shift in late February 2023. The training was intended to be a refresher for the Captains and a how-to for the others.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item. This is a reporting requirement by the State of California and does not carry any penalties for agencies not in compliance with 100% of the required inspections in each occupancy.

Encl.: Resolution 23-07 acknowledging receipt of report regarding compliance of inspections for certain State Fire Marshal regulated occupancies pursuant to sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 of the Health and Safety Code. – **Attachment #1**