

Key Approaches for Fire Safety Presented to Planning Commission by Fire Marshal Don Bullard  
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#	Proposed Policy (Key Approaches)	Responsible Party	Implementation Strategy	Status	Notes
1	Keep and expand progressive prevention policies in the 2010 Safety Element	Town	Incorporate into Safety Element	In progress; Town Committees are reviewing Safety Element	Staff and Fire Marshal have coordinated. Fire Marshal to review next draft prior to public review.
2	Pursue widening roads	Town	Incorporate into Safety Element	Evacuation route policies in progress; Town Committees are reviewing Safety Element	For evacuation routes, road widening strategies should be specified in Safety Element.
		WFPD/Private residents in Woodside Highlands	Implement Minimum Fire Safe Regulations	Private street widening regulations to occur with adoption of Minimum Fire Safe Regulations	For narrow private streets in Very High Fire Hazard Zones, Minimum Fire Safe Regulations require new development to widen streets.
3	Establish multiple access and egress routes	WFPD	WFPD has access keys/agreements with private land owners	In progress	
			WFPD will enforce Minimum Fire Safe Regulations	With implementation of Minimum Fire Safe Regulations	
		Town	Continue to speak to adjacent landowners to additional access	Ongoing	

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4	Meet Cal Fire Minimum Fire Safe Regulations	WFPD	Oversee regulations	Cal Fire amendments to Minimum Fire Safe Regulations operative on April 1, 2023. They do not apply to PV until new fire map adopted. WFPD has hired Flame Mappers to prepare updated map. Cal Fire is also preparing updated map.	
		Town	See Draft Safety Element Policy P-37, P-39, P-48, P-50, P-65, and P-70.		
5	Conduct site specific individuated Wildfire Hazard Assessment Plans	WFPD/Town	Include requirement in development application. WFPD and Town to work together to develop process	Preliminary conversations. Expect to start implementation work after fire maps are adopted and Minimum Fire Safe Regulations in place.	
6	Build to Chapter 7A (and 337 Residential Code) with local amendments	Town/WFPD	See Housing Element Program 6-1. Adopt local amendments to Building Code. Housing Element Program to review codes every three years for opportunities to improve	Completed in 2022. Ongoing every three years.	Town leads amendments in consultation with WFPD
7	Enhance construction methods and materials to be noncombustible	Town/WFPD	See Housing Element Program 6-1. Building Code already requires noncombustible exterior materials.  Consider creating authority to require noncombustible	Completed in 2022.	

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			building assemblies if buildings are constructed close together.	WFPD will make recommendations to the Town to consider	
8	Limit exposure to flammable materials	WFPD	WFPD will make recommendations for Town to consider		May include building separation and limits on flammable materials in the 0-5' zone around buildings
9	Increase defensible space standards around structures	WFPD	WFPD Ordinance	First reading conducted on February 28, 2023	
10	Adopt new requirements for fuel breaks in parcels in the SRA and LRA areas within the District	WFPD	WFPD Ordinance	First reading conducted on February 28, 2023	
11	Town adopt a map indicating the High and Very High Severity Zones	WFPD/Town	See Housing Element Program 6-4. Adoption by Town when map(s) are available	In progress. WFPD has hired Flame Mappers to prepare local map, Cal Fire working on map.	
12	Revisit the ADU and SB9 Fire Safety Checklist and consider adoption of appropriate ordinances(s)	Town	See Housing Element Program 6-5. When new fire maps are available and new Fire Code adopted, revisit checklist and Code and evaluate need for changes. Also a Housing Element Policy.	Not started.	
13	Educate the public on key fire safety issues	WFPD/WPC	See Housing Element Program 6-6. Range of community outreach tools	Ongoing.	