

COUNTY OF SONOMA CODE ENFORCEMENT AD HOC COMMITTEE CHARTER

Purpose and Background

In January 2025, the Board created a Code Enforcement Ad Hoc Committee and appointed Supervisors Hopkins and Rabbitt to the Ad Hoc. The Code Enforcement division of Permit Sonoma enforces all violations of codes under the Department's jurisdiction, abates public nuisances, and undertakes special projects such as enforcement of Public Health Orders. The Ad Hoc will work with the County Administrator's Office and Permit Sonoma to review current best practices in effective, fair, and transparent code enforcement within Sonoma County.

Committee Members

Lynda Hopkins, Fifth District Supervisor, Chair
David Rabbitt, Second District Supervisor

Committee Duration

The Code Enforcement Ad Hoc Committee will be convened for a limited term through December 31, 2025.

County Department, Resources

Andrew Sturmfels, County Administrator's Office
McCall Miller, County Administrator's Office
Jennifer Klein, County Counsel
Tennis Wick, Permit Sonoma
Scott Orr, Permit Sonoma

Subject matter experts from Permit Sonoma, County Staff, and County Counsel as needed.

Outcomes

- Improve case resolution times and prioritization of high-risk violations.
- Enhance public compliance and engagement with the enforcement process.
- Stronger coordination across departments and better resource management.
- Increase transparency and public trust in the Code Enforcement Division.
- A more efficient, fair, and equitable permitting and enforcement system.