

Board of County Commissioners

**Fire/Rescue
Fire Prevention and Protection
Ordinance**

February 6, 2018



Presentation Overview

- Establishment of a Burn Ban
- Adoption of the 6th Edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code
- Action Requested





Establishment of a Burn Ban

- Automatic Activation Upon Keetch Byram Drought Index (KBDI) Reaches 500
- Automatically Deactivates when KBDI is Below 500 for 7 Consecutive Days
- Consistent with Surrounding Counties



Penalties

- **If the violator's action do not cause a fire:**
 1. **Prosecute as misdemeanor. Up to 60 days in prison and/or \$500 fine; and/or**
 2. **Cite under Section 11, Orange County Code. Civil penalty up to \$500.**
- **If the violator's actions do cause a fire:**
 1. **Prosecute as misdemeanor. Up to 60 days in prison and/or \$500 fine; and/or**
 2. **Issue Notice of Violation under Section 11, Orange County Code for an irreversible/irreparable violation. One time penalty up to \$15,000.**



Florida Fire Prevention Code

- **Adoption of the 6th Edition of the Florida Fire Prevention Code**
 - **2015 Editions of National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1, Fire Code and NFPA 101, Life Safety Code**
 - **Removes Local Amendments that have been Incorporated into National and State Codes**
 - **Language Adjustments to Fire & Life Safety Code Board of Appeals**



Requested Action

Approval of an Ordinance Affecting Fire Prevention and Protection in Orange County; Amending Chapter 18, Orange County Code by Creating Section 18-4 Establishing a Burn Ban; Providing for Burn Ban Activation, Deactivation, Applicability, Enforcement, and Penalties; Amending Section 18-32 (“Florida Fire Prevention Code”) by Removing Local Amendments; Amending Section 18-34 (“Board of Adjustments and Appeals”) by Removing the Reference to the Advisory Board Ordinance from the Board of Adjustments and Appeals Eligibility Requirements; and Providing for an Effective Date.

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