

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-3

**AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE
TOWN OF FORT JONES, CALIFORNIA ADDING CHAPTER
3.12 "PURCHASING" TO THE FORT JONES MUNICIPAL
CODE; AND FINDING THE ORDINANCE NOT SUBJECT TO
CEQA**

WHEREAS, Government Code section 54201 et seq., authorizes the Town Council to adopt policies and procedures governing Town purchases of supplies and equipment by ordinance;

WHEREAS, amendments to Title 3 "Revenue and Finance" of the Fort Jones Municipal Code are necessary to remain in compliance with updated federal procurement requirements and address consistency with financial policies;

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds it necessary and desirable to add Chapter 3.12 (Purchasing) to Title 3 (Revenue and Finance) of the Fort Jones Municipal Code

WHEREAS, the Town Council has by Resolution 1137 adopted on March 10, 2025, elected to become subject to the uniform construction cost accounting procedures promulgated by the State Controller pursuant to the California Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act, ("Act"), (Public Contract Code ("PCC") § 22000 et seq.);

WHEREAS, Public Contract Code Section §22034 requires that public agencies who elect to be subject to the Act adopt an ordinance establishing informal bidding procedures for public projects and sets forth the requirements of said informal bidding ordinance;

WHEREAS, this Ordinance is an urgency ordinance pursuant to Government Code Section 36934 and 36937;

WHEREAS, the Town Council finds and determines that due to the state of certain public works improvements, the length of time to make repairs to such improvements, and the duration to amend the purchasing ordinance to address changes required by the code, the immediate preservation of the public health, safety and welfare requires that this Ordinance be enacted as an urgency ordinance pursuant to Government Code Section 36934 and take effect immediately upon adoption. Therefore, this Ordinance is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, safety and welfare and its urgency is hereby declared; and

WHEREAS, the Town Administrator recommends this Ordinance to meet the requirements of said informal bidding procedures.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Town Council of the Town of Fort Jones does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. RECITALS: The foregoing recitals are true and correct and incorporated into the findings herein.

SECTION 2: CODE ADOPTION: Chapter 3.12 (Purchasing) of Title 3 (Revenue and Finance) of the Fort Jones Municipal Code is hereby added as set forth in **Exhibit "A"** attached to this Ordinance and incorporated herein by reference.

SECTION 3. CEQA: The Ordinance is not a Project within the meaning of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code section 21000, et seq.) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, section 15000, et seq.) section 15061(b)(3). This Ordinance involves updates and revisions to existing regulations. It can be seen with certainty that the proposed Municipal Code text amendments will have no significant effect on the environment.

SECTION 4. SEVERABILITY: If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the final decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance. The Town Council declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance, and each section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, phrases or portions might be declared invalid or unconstitutional, and, to that end, the provisions hereof are hereby declared to be severable.


SECTION 5. SUMMARY: Upon request of the Town Administrator or Town Clerk, the Town Attorney may prepare a summary of this Ordinance for the purposes of publication.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall take effect and be enforced immediately from and after the date of its adoption by the Town Council and shall be posted and published in accordance with the California Government Code.


SECTION 7. CERTIFICATION: The Town Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this Ordinance and shall give notice of its adoption as required by law. This Ordinance, or a summary thereof, shall be published and/or posted in compliance with the requirements of Government Code section 36933.

I HEREBY CERTIFY the foregoing Ordinance was introduced for first reading at a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Fort Jones held on the 19 day of February 2025, and thereafter adopted at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 10 day of March 2025, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES: DeAndreis, DeCausmaker, Johnson, & LaRiviere
NOES: None
ABSENT: Garcia


Madeleine DeAndreis
Mayor, Town of Fort Jones

ATTEST:


Jessie Monday
Town Clerk, Town of Fort Jones