[Green Building and Environment Codes - Requirements for Installation of Electric Vehicle Chargers]

Ordinance amending the Green Building Code and the Environment Code to establish requirements for installation of electric vehicle charger infrastructure in new buildings or buildings undergoing major alterations, and requirements for notification to building owners, residents, and lessees; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; making findings under the California Health and Safety Code; and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to forward this Ordinance to the California Building Standards Commission upon final passage.

NOTE: Unchanged Code text and uncoded text are in plain Arial font. Additions to Codes are in single-underline italics Times New Roman font. Deletions to Codes are in strikethrough italics Times New Roman font. Board amendment additions are in double-underlined Arial font. Board amendment deletions are in strikethrough Arial font. Asterisks (* · *) indicate the omission of unchanged Code subsections or parts of tables.

Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

Section 1. Findings.

(a) The Planning Department has determined that the actions contemplated in this ordinance comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.). Said determination is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors in File No. 170202 and is incorporated herein by reference. The Board affirms this determination.

(b) The Building Inspection Commission considered this ordinance on March 15, 2017 and March 29, 2017, at a duly noticed public hearing, pursuant to Charter Section D3.750-5.
Section 2. Findings Regarding Local Conditions Required by the California Health and Safety Code.

(a) California Health & Safety Code Section 17958.7 provides that before making any changes or modifications to the California Green Building Standards Code and any other applicable provisions published by the State Building Standards Commission, the governing body must make an express finding that each such change or modification is reasonably necessary because of specified local conditions, and the findings must be filed with the State Building Standards Commission before the local changes or modifications go into effect.

(b) The Board of Supervisors expressly declares that the following amendments to the San Francisco Green Building Code are reasonably necessary because of local climatic, topological, and geological conditions as listed below.

(1) As a coastal city located on the tip of a peninsula, San Francisco is vulnerable to sea level rise, and human activities releasing greenhouse gases into the atmosphere cause increases in worldwide average temperature, which contribute to melting of glaciers and thermal expansion of ocean water – resulting in rising sea levels.

(2) San Francisco is already experiencing the repercussions of excessive CO₂ emissions as rising sea levels threaten the City's shoreline and infrastructure, have caused significant erosion, have increased impacts to infrastructure during extreme tides, and have caused the City to expend funds to modify the sewer system.

(3) Some subpopulations of San Francisco residents are vulnerable to heat events.

(4) Increasing the adoption and use of electric vehicles will help San Francisco meet its goals under Ordinance No. 81-08, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions citywide to 40% below 1990 levels by 2025 and 80% by 2050.
(5) Use of electric vehicles benefits the health, welfare, and resiliency of San Francisco and its residents.

(6) Electric vehicles depend upon convenient access to charging, and the ability to serve electric vehicles in existing buildings is commonly limited by the electrical system capacity of the building.

(c) The most cost-effective time to prepare building electrical infrastructure for electric vehicle charging is when electric service is installed or upgraded due to construction, because workers are already on-site, utility service upgrade costs are lower, permitting and administrative costs are lower, and it is more cost-effective to include such systems in existing construction financing.

Section 3. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 202, to read as follows:

[Add and amend the following definitions:]

SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.

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ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING SPACE (EV Space). A space intended for future installation of EV charging equipment and charging of electric vehicles. The EV Space need not be reserved exclusively for electric vehicle charging.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION (EVCS). One or more electric vehicle charging spaces served by electric vehicle charger(s) or other charging equipment allowing charging of electric vehicles. For purposes of determining compliance with accessibility requirements, when the permitted length of time a vehicle may occupy an electric vehicle charging station differs from the permitted duration of stay in publicly accessible parking spaces in the same parking area, electric vehicle charging stations are not considered parking spaces.
When the permitted duration of stay in a space served by electric vehicle charger(s) is the same as other publicly accessible parking spaces in the same parking area, EVCS may be considered parking spaces. The EVCS need not be reserved exclusively for electric vehicle charging.

**ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) FAST CHARGER.** Off-board charging equipment with a minimum direct current or alternating current power output of 24 kW, for the purpose of providing an electric vehicle charge in significantly less time than a standard Electric Vehicle Charger.

**ELECTRIC VEHICLE LOAD MANAGEMENT SYSTEM.** An electronic system designed to allocate charging capacity among EV chargers.

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**PASSENGER VEHICLES.** Motor vehicles designed primarily for transportation of persons, with capacity of 12 persons or less.

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**TRUCKS.** Trucks or truck-based vehicles with both a payload capacity of 4,000 pounds or less, and a gross vehicle weight ratio of 14,000 pounds or less. As used herein, “trucks” does not include heavy duty vehicles, which are vehicles of any type with a gross vehicle weight ratio of more than 14,000 pounds.

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Section 4. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 202, to read as follows:

**SEC. 202. DEFINITIONS.**

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**MAJOR ALTERATIONS.** Alterations and additions where interior finishes are removed and significant upgrades to structural and mechanical, electrical, and/or plumbing systems are
proposed where areas of such construction are 25,000 gross square feet or more in Group B, M, or R occupancies of existing buildings.

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Section 45. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 302.1, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 302.1. MIXED OCCUPANCY BUILDINGS.

In mixed occupancy buildings, each portion of a building shall comply with the specific California Title 24 Part 11 required measures applicable to each specific occupancy as required by California Code of Regulations Title 24 Part 11 and the San Francisco Green Building Code. However, to fulfill any additional local green building requirements of San Francisco Green Building Code Sections 4.103 through 4.105 and 5.103 through 5.105, as applicable, the project sponsor may apply a single required green building standard to the entire building.

Section 56. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by adding Section 4.103.3.3, to read as follows:

[Add the following section:]

SEC. 4.103.3.3. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING.

Sections 4.106.4 through 4.106.4.2.6 of this Chapter shall apply to all newly-constructed buildings and associated newly-constructed parking facilities for passenger vehicles and trucks, and to major alterations to existing Group R occupancy buildings where electrical service to the building will be upgraded. In major alterations where existing electrical service will not be upgraded, the requirements of Sections 4.106.4 through 4.106.4.2.6 shall apply to the maximum extent that does not require an upgrade to existing electrical service.
Section 67. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 4.106.4, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 4.106.4. ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) CHARGING FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION AND MAJOR ALTERATIONS.

New construction and major alterations shall comply with Sections 4.106.4.1 and 4.106.4.2 to provide electrical capacity and infrastructure to facilitate future installation and use of EV Chargers, such that the project will be capable of providing electric vehicle EV charging services at 100% of off-street parking spaces provided for passenger vehicles and trucks. Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE) shall be installed in accordance with the California Electrical Code Article 625, and the California Energy Code, Subchapter 4, Section 130.5, and as follows: San Francisco Building Code and the San Francisco Electrical Code, subject to the following exceptions: California Electrical Code.

Exceptions:

On a case-by-case basis, where the local enforcing agency Director has determined EV charging and infrastructure are not feasible based upon one or more of the following conditions:

1. Where there is no commercial power supply.

2. Where there is evidence substantiating that meeting the requirements will alter the local utility infrastructure design requirements on the utility side of the meter so as to increase the utility side cost to the homeowner or the developer by more than $400.00 per dwelling unit parking space. In such cases, buildings subject to Section 4.106.4 shall maximize the number of EV Charging Spaces, up to a utility side cost of a maximum of $400 per space. Cost shall be determined by dividing the increase in local utility infrastructure cost attributable to compliance with this section by the sum of parking spaces and Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment (EVSE).
Vehicle EV Charging Spaces.

3. In major alterations, where there is evidence substantiating that meeting the requirements of this section presents an unreasonable hardship or is technically infeasible, the Director may consider an appeal from the project sponsor to reduce the number of EV Charging Spaces required or provide for EV charging elsewhere.

4. Where a project is undertaken specifically to meet the City’s Mandatory Seismic Retrofit Program as required under Chapter 4A, 4B, or 4D of the San Francisco Existing Building Code.

Section 79. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Sections 4.106.4.1 and 4.106.4.1.1, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 4.106.4.1. NEW ONE-AND-TWO-FAMILY DWELLINGS AND TOWN-HOUSES WITH ATTACHED OR ADJACENT PRIVATE GARAGES.

For each parking space, install a 40-Amp 208 or 240-volt branch circuit, including raceway, electrical panel capacity, overprotection devices, wire, and termination point such as a receptacle. The termination point shall be in close proximity to the proposed EV charger location. Raceways are required to be continuous at enclosed, inaccessible, or concealed areas and spaces. Raceway for each circuit shall not be less than trade size 1 (nominal 1-inch inside diameter).

For each dwelling unit, install a listed raceway to accommodate a dedicated 208/240-volt branch circuit. The raceway shall not be less than trade size 1 (nominal 1-inch inside diameter). The raceway shall originate at the main service or unit subpanel and shall terminate into a listed cabinet, box or other enclosure in close proximity to the proposed location of an EV charger. Raceways are required to be continuous at enclosed, inaccessible or concealed areas and spaces. The service panel and/or subpanel shall provide capacity to install a 40-ampere minimum dedicated branch circuit and space(s) reserved to permit installation of a branch circuit overcurrent protective device.
SEC. 4.106.4.1.1. IDENTIFICATION.

The service panel or subpanel circuit directory shall identify the overcurrent protective device space(s) reserved for future EV charging as "EV READY" for full circuits and otherwise "EV CAPABLE". The raceway termination location shall be permanently and visibly marked as "EV READY" for full circuits and otherwise "EV CAPABLE".

Section 89. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 4.106.4.2, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]  

SEC. 4.106.4.2. NEW MULTIFAMILY DWELLINGS AND MAJOR ALTERATIONS.

Where three or more multifamily dwelling units are constructed on a building site, or undergo major alteration, 100% of the total number of off-street parking spaces provided for all types of parking facilities for passenger vehicles and trucks, but in no case less than one, shall be electric vehicle charging spaces (EV Spaces) capable of supporting future EVSE. Calculations for the number of EVCS shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number. A branch-circuit panelboard shall be provided at each parking level, and the panelboard shall have capacity to deliver a minimum 8 amperes at 208 or 240 volts multiplied by the total number of EV Spaces and shall provide sufficient space in the panelboard to install one 40-ampere minimum dedicated branch circuit and overcurrent protective device for each EV Space. The circuits and overcurrent protective devices shall remain reserved for exclusive use by electric vehicle charging.

Note: Electrical engineering design and construction documents are intended to demonstrate the project's capability and capacity for facilitating future EV charging. There is no requirement for EV spaces to be constructed or available until EV Chargers are installed for use. There is no requirement for EV Chargers to be installed. The intention
of sizing the panel to deliver 8 amperes per EV Space is to provide the option to utilize Electric Vehicle Load Management Systems to provide Level 2 EV charging (40 amperes at 208 or 240 volts) at 100% of parking spaces. Eight (8) amperes of capacity per EV Space is sufficient for a listed EV Load Management system to manage the available capacity in a safe manner. For example, such a system may allocate up to 36 amperes at 208 or 240 volts to vehicles in 20% of the total number of EV Charging Stations simultaneously. The same system may allocate 8 amperes to vehicles in 100% of parking spaces.

EV load management systems are not required, but may be necessary if EVSE are installed serving greater than 20% of parking spaces simultaneously.

Section 910. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 4.106.4.2.1, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 4.106.4.2.1. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING SPACE LOCATIONS.

Electrical engineering design and construction documents shall indicate the location of proposed EV spaces. Where parking spaces are provided for public use or for common use by residents, at least one EV space shall be located in common use areas and available for use by all residents.

When EV chargers are installed, accessible EV spaces required by Section 4.106.2.2, Item 3, shall comply with at least one of the following options:

1. The EV space shall be located adjacent to an accessible parking space meeting the requirements of the California Building Code, Chapter 11A, to allow use of the EV charger from the accessible parking space.

2. The EV space shall be located on an accessible route, as defined in the California
Building Code, Chapter 2, to the building.

Section 4011. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 4.106.4.2.2, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 4.106.4.2.2. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING SPACE (EV SPACES) DIMENSIONS.

Unless otherwise specified by Planning Code Section 154, the EV spaces shall be designed to comply with the following:

1. The minimum length of each EV space shall be 18 feet (5486 mm).
2. The minimum width of each EV space shall be 9 feet (2743 mm).
3. One in every 25 EV spaces, but not less than one, shall also have an 8-foot (2438 mm) wide minimum aisle. A 5-foot (1524 mm) wide minimum aisle shall be permitted provided the minimum width of the EV space is 12 feet (3658 mm).

   a. Surface slope for this EV space and the aisle shall not exceed 1 unit vertical in 48 units horizontal (2.083% slope) in any direction.

   b. Notwithstanding any other applicable requirements, when an EV charger is installed serving an accessible parking space, the space may be considered a parking space if the duration of stay is not subject to any limitations different from those generally applied to other publicly accessible parking spaces in the same parking area. If the duration of stay in an accessible space equipped with an EV charger is subject to limitations different from those generally applied to other publicly accessible parking spaces in the same parking area, the space is not a parking space.

4. Accessible spaces must meet the dimensions specified above, Planning Code Section 154, or other applicable accessibility requirements, whichever would result in the largest space size.
Section 4412. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 4.106.4.2.3, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 4.106.4.2.3. SINGLE EV SPACE REQUIRED.

Where a single EV space is required, install a full circuit with a minimum of 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity, including listed raceway, sufficient electrical panel capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and termination point such as a receptacle. The termination point shall be in close proximity to the proposed EV charger location. The raceway shall not be less than trade size 1 (nominal 1-inch inside diameter).

Install a listed raceway capable of accommodating a 208/240-volt dedicated branch circuit.

(a) For a minimum of 10% of EV Spaces and in no case less than two EV Spaces when the total number of EV Spaces is two or more, install a full circuit with minimum of 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity per EV Space, including listed raceway, sufficient electrical panel service capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and suitable listed termination point such as a receptacle. The
termination point shall be in close proximity to the proposed EV charger location. Calculations for the number of EV Spaces shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number.

(b) For an additional 10% of EV Spaces (totaling not less than 20% when combined with (a)), install either:

(1) A full circuit with minimum of 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity, including listed raceway, sufficient electrical panel capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and suitable listed termination point such as a receptacle. OR

(2) A full listed raceway with pull string and sufficient electrical panel capacity for a minimum of 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity per circuit per EV Space. The raceway shall extend for the complete run from the branch circuit panelboard to a termination point in close proximity to the proposed EV charger location.

(b) Branch circuit panelboard(s) shall be installed at each parking level with service capacity to deliver a minimum 40 amperes at 208 or 240 volts multiplied by 20% of the total number of EV Spaces. The panelboard(s) shall have sufficient space to install a minimum of one 40-ampere dedicated branch circuit and overcurrent protective device per EV Space up to a minimum of 20% of the total number of EV Spaces. The circuits and overcurrent protective devices shall remain reserved exclusively for EV charging.

Exception: Circuits and overcurrent protective devices in panelboards not located on the same level may contribute to the requirements of 4.106.4.2.4(b), provided the circuits are reserved exclusively for EV charging. For example, the circuit serving an EV Space dedicated to a condominium owner may connect to the electrical panelboard of the corresponding condominium.

(c) For all remaining EV Spaces. For all EV Spaces not required to install full circuits or raceway per Section 4.106.4.2.4(a):

(1) Either:
(A) Provide sufficient space for future installation of additional electrical panelboard(s) to support a 40 ampere 208 or 240 Volt capacity branch circuit and overcurrent protection device per EV Space, or equivalent consistent with Section 4.106.4.2.4.1; or

(B) Provide space in installed electrical panelboard(s) to support installation of a 40 ampere 208 or 240 Volt capacity branch circuit and overcurrent protection device per EV Space, or equivalent consistent with Section 4.106.4.2.4.1.

(2) Install raceway or sleeves where penetrations to walls, floors, or other partitions will be necessary to install panels, raceways, or related electrical components necessary per site conditions for future installation of branch circuits. All such penetrations must comply with applicable codes, including but not limited to the San Francisco Electrical Code and the San Francisco Fire Code.

(d) Construction documents, including electrical engineering and design and construction documents shall indicate the raceway termination point to supply an EV-charger with a 40-ampere minimum branch-circuit. Electrical engineering design and related documents, shall demonstrate that the electrical service capacity and electrical system, including any on-site distribution transformer(s), can charge EVSE at a minimum of 20% of the total number of EV Spaces simultaneously, at the full rated amperage of the EVSE or a minimum of 40 amperes per branch circuit, as modified by Section 4.106.4.2.4.1 Electric Vehicle Fast Charging Spaces. As appropriate, construction documents shall provide information on amperage of future EVSE, raceway method(s), wiring schematics, anticipated EV load management system design(s), and electrical load calculations to verify that the electrical panel service capacity and electrical system, including any on-site distribution transformer(s), can charge all EV-Space and EVSEs required by sections (a) and (b) simultaneously at the full rated amperage of the EVSE.

NOTES:

1. Electric vehicle charging infrastructure and housing are critical priorities for
the City and County of San Francisco. Where provisions of this Section 4.106.4.2.4 require the installation of an electrical transformer, and such transformer cannot be accommodated on the project site due to the combination of project site dimensions, San Francisco Building Code, San Francisco Electrical Code, and applicable utility regulations, the Director of Public Works is encouraged to issue a Sidewalk Vault Encroachment Permit provided that the fronting property owner complies with all requirements governing street occupancy, including but not limited to the San Francisco Public Works Code and Department of Public Works Order 165,553.

2. An EV load management system may be necessary in order to provide EV charging at EV-Spaces required by section (c). Raceways and related components that are planned to be installed underground, enclosed, inaccessible or in concealed areas and spaces shall be installed at the time of original construction more than 20% of EV Spaces.

3. Note: This section does not require EV chargers or EV load management systems to be installed.

Construction documents shall indicate the raceway termination point and proposed location of future EV-Spaces and EV chargers. Construction documents shall also provide information on amperage of future EVSE, raceway method(s), wiring schematics and electrical load calculations to verify that the electrical panel service capacity and electrical system, including any on-site distribution transformer(s), have sufficient capacity to simultaneously charge all EVs at all required EV spaces at the full rated amperage of the EVSE. Plan design shall be based upon a 40-ampere minimum branch circuit. Raceways and related components that are planned to be installed underground, enclosed, inaccessible or in concealed areas and spaces shall be installed at the time of original construction.
Section 4314. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by adding
Section 4.106.4.2.4.1, to read as follows:

[Add the following section:]

SEC. 4.106.4.2.4.1. ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) FAST CHARGING SPACES.

(a) Installation of one Electric Vehicle (EV) Fast Charger may reduce the number of EV Spaces required under Section 4.106.4.2.4 (a) and (b) by up to five EV Spaces, provided that the project includes at least one EV Space equipped with a full circuit able to deliver 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity to the EV Space, including listed raceway, sufficient electrical panel capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and suitable listed termination point such as a receptacle.

The electrical panel board(s) provided at each parking level served by EV Fast Chargers shall have sufficient capacity to supply each Electric Vehicle (EV) Fast Charger with a minimum of 30 kW AC in addition to the capacity to serve any remaining EV Spaces with required under Section 4.106.4.2.4(a) a minimum of 8 amperes at 208 or 240 volts per EV Space, with a minimum of 40 amperes per circuit at 208 or 240 volts per EV Space.

(b) After the requirements of 4.106.4.2.4(a) and (b) are met, each planned Electric Vehicle (EV) Fast Charger may reduce the number of planned EV Spaces required under 4.106.4.2.4(c) by up to five spaces. Electrical engineering design and construction documents shall indicate the raceway termination point and proposed location of future EV fast charger spaces and EV fast chargers.

Electrical engineering design and construction documents shall also provide information on amperage of EV fast chargers, raceway method(s), wiring schematics, and electrical load calculations to verify that the electrical panel service capacity and electrical system has sufficient capacity to simultaneously operate all installed EV fast chargers at the full rated amperage of the EV fast charger(s) and simultaneously serve any remaining spaces required by 4.106.4.2.4(a) and (b). Raceways and related components that are planned to be installed underground, enclosed, inaccessible, or in concealed areas and spaces shall be installed at the time of original construction.
Section 4.106. Section 4.106. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 4.106.4.2.5, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 4.106.4.2.5. IDENTIFICATION.

The service panel or subpanel circuit directory shall identify the overcurrent protective device space(s) reserved for future EV charging purposes as "EVSE READY" for full circuits and otherwise "EVSE CAPABLE" in accordance with the California Electrical Code. The raceway termination location or receptacle shall be permanently and visibly marked as "EVSE READY" for full circuits and otherwise "EVSE CAPABLE," until such time as EVSE are installed.

Notes:


2. See Vehicle Code Section 22511 for EV charging space signage in off-street parking facilities and for use of EV charging spaces.

Section 1516. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by adding
Section 5.103.3.3, to read as follows:

[Add the following section:]

SEC. 5.103.3. ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING.

Section 5.106.5.3 of this chapter shall apply to all newly constructed buildings and associated
newly-constructed parking facilities for passenger vehicles and trucks, and to major alterations
to existing Group A, B, I, and M occupancy buildings where electrical service to the building will be
upgraded. In major alterations where existing electrical service will not be upgraded, the all
requirements of under Section 5.106.5 (all sections) shall apply to the maximum extent that does not
require upgrade to existing service;

(1) does not require upgrade to existing service; and

(2) the Director does not determine that compliance with Section 5.106.5.3 and Title
24 Chapter 11B, if applicable, is technically infeasible, as defined in California
Building Code Chapter 2, Section 202.

Section 1517. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising
Section 5.106.5.3, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 5.106.5.3. ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) CHARGING. [N]

In new construction and major alterations, 100% of off-street parking spaces in buildings and
facilities provided for all types of parking facilities passenger vehicles and trucks shall be
electric vehicle charging spaces (EV Spaces) capable of supporting future EVSE. Electrical
engineering design and construction documents shall indicate the location of all proposed EV spaces.
When EVSE is installed, it shall be in accordance with the San Francisco Building Code and the San
Francisco Electrical Code.
Construction shall comply with Section 5.106.5.3.1 or Section 5.106.5.3.2 to facilitate future installation of electric vehicle supply equipment (EVSE). When EVSE(s) is/are installed, it shall be in accordance with the California Building Code, the California Electrical Code, and as follows:

Section 17.18. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 5.106.5.3.1, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 5.106.5.3.1. SINGLE CHARGING SPACE REQUIREMENTS. [N]

When a single EV Space is required per Section 5.106.5.3.3, install a full branch circuit with a minimum of 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity, including listed raceway, sufficient electrical panel capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and suitable listed termination point such as a receptacle. The termination point shall be in close proximity to the proposed EV charger location. The raceway shall not be less than trade size 1 (nominal 1-inch inside diameter). The circuit shall be installed in accordance with the California Electrical Code, San Francisco Electrical Code and the San Francisco Building Code.

When only a single charging space is required per Table 5.106.5.3.3, a raceway is required to be installed at the time of construction and shall be installed in accordance with the California Electrical Code. Construction plans and specifications shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. The type and location of the EVSE.
2. A listed raceway capable of accommodating a 208 or 240 volt dedicated branch circuit.
3. The raceway shall not be less than trade size 1."
4. The raceway shall originate at a service panel or a subpanel serving the area, and shall terminate in close proximity to the proposed location of the charging equipment and into a listed suitable cabinet, box, enclosure or equivalent.
5. The service panel or subpanel shall have sufficient capacity to accommodate a minimum 40-ampere dedicated branch circuit for the future installation of the EVSE.

Section 4810. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 5.106.5.3.2, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 5.106.5.3.2. MULTIPLE CHARGING SPACE REQUIREMENTS.

(a) For a minimum of 10% of EV Spaces, and in no case less than two EV spaces when the total number of EV Spaces is two or more, install a full circuit with minimum of 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity per EV Space, including listed raceway, sufficient electrical panel service capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and suitable listed termination point such as a receptacle. The termination point shall be in close proximity to the proposed EV charger location. Calculations for the number of EV Spaces shall be rounded up to the nearest whole number.

(b) For an additional 10% of EV Spaces (total of not less than 20% when combined with (a)), install either:

(1) A full circuit with minimum of 40-Amp 208 or 240 Volt capacity, including listed raceway, sufficient

(b) Branch circuit panelboard(s) shall be installed at each parking level with service capacity to deliver a minimum 40 amperes at 208 or 240 volts multiplied by 20% of the total number of EV Spaces. The panelboard(s) shall have sufficient space to install a minimum of one 40-ampere dedicated branch circuit and overcurrent protective device per EV Space up to a minimum of 20% of the total number of EV Spaces. The circuits and overcurrent protective devices shall remain reserved for exclusive use by electric vehicle charging.

(c) For all EV Spaces not required to install full circuits or raceways per Section 5.106.5.3.2(a):
(1) Either:

(A) Provide space for future installation of additional electrical panel capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and suitable listed termination point such as a receptacle; or

(2) A full-listed raceway with pull string and sufficient electrical panel capacity for a minimum of 40 Ammpanelboards to support a 40 ampere 208 or 240 Volt capacity per circuit per EV Space. The raceway shall extend for the complete run from the branch circuit panelboard to a termination point in close proximity to the proposed EV charger location—branch circuit and overcurrent protection device per EV Space, or equivalent consistent with Section 5.106.5.3.2.1; or

(B) Provide space in installed electrical panelboard(s) to support installation of a 40 ampere 208 or 240 volt capacity branch circuit and overcurrent protection device per EV Space, or equivalent consistent with Section 5.106.5.3.2.1.

(2) Install raceway or sleeves where penetrations to walls, floors, or other partitions will be necessary to install panels, raceways, or related electrical components necessary for future installation of branch circuits. All such penetrations must comply with applicable codes, including but not limited to the San Francisco Electrical Code and the San Francisco Fire Code.

(d) (c) For all remaining EV Spaces, Construction documents, including electrical engineering and design and construction documents shall indicate the raceway termination point to supply an EV charger with a 40-ampere minimum branch circuit. Electrical engineering-design-related documents, shall demonstrate the electrical service capacity of the electrical system, including any on-site distribution transformer(s), can charge EVSE at a minimum of 20% of the total number of EV Spaces simultaneously, at the full rated amperage of the EVSE or a minimum of 40 amperes per branch circuit, whichever is greater. As
appropriate construction documents shall provide information on amperage of future EVSE, raceway method(s), wiring schematics, anticipated EV load management system design(s), and electrical load calculations to verify that the electrical panel service capacity and electrical system, including any on-site distribution transformer(s), can charge all EV Space and EVSEs required by subsections (a) and (b) simultaneously at the full rated amperage of the EVSE. Installation of an EV load management system is not required, but may be necessary in order to provide EV charging at EV Spaces required by subsection (c). Raceways and related components that are planned to be installed underground, enclosed, inaccessible, or in concealed areas and spaces shall be installed at the time of original construction.

Exceptions.

1. Where there is no commercial power supply.

2. Where there is evidence substantiating that meeting the requirements will alter the local utility infrastructure design requirements directly related to the implementation of this Section may increase the utility side cost to the developer by more than $400 per parking space. In such cases, buildings subject to Section 5.106.5.3.2 shall maximize the number of EV Spaces, up to a maximum utility side cost of $400 per space. Cost shall be determined by dividing the increase in local utility infrastructure cost attributable to compliance with this section by the sum of parking spaces and Electric Vehicle Charging Spaces.

3. In major alterations, where there is evidence substantiating that meeting the requirements of this section present an unreasonable hardship or is technically infeasible, the Director may upon request from the project sponsor consider an appeal to reduce the number of EV Spaces required.

Note: This section does not require installation of EVSE.

The intent of sizing the panel with a minimum of 8 amperes per EV Space and EVSE electrical service to provide 40 amperes at 208 or 240 Volts to at least 20% of
spaces simultaneously is to provide the option to utilize Electric Vehicle listed EV Load Management Systems to provide Level 2 EV charging (40 amperes at 208 or 240 volts) at 100% of parking spaces. Eight (8) amperes of capacity per EV Space is sufficient for a listed EV Load Management System to manage the available capacity in a safe manner, such as allocating 36 amperes at 208 or 240 volts to vehicles in 20% of the total number of EV Charging Stations simultaneously, or allocating 8 amperes to vehicles in 100% of parking spaces, or similar. Given the capacity required by this Section, individual EV chargers may be installed in up to 20% of parking spaces before an EV load management system is necessary.

When multiple charging spaces are required per Table 5.106:5.3.3, raceway(s) is/are required to be installed at the time of construction and shall be installed in accordance with California Electrical Code. Construction plans and specifications shall include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. The type and location of the EVSE.
2. The raceway(s) shall originate at a service panel or a subpanel(s) serving the area, and shall terminate in close proximity to the proposed location of the charging equipment and into listed suitable cabinet(s), box(es), enclosure(s) or equivalent.
3. Plan design shall be based upon 40-ampere minimum branch circuits.
4. Electrical calculations shall substantiate the design of the electrical system, to include the rating of equipment and any on-site distribution transformers and have sufficient capacity to simultaneously charge all required EVs at its full-rated amperage.
5. The service panel or subpanel(s) shall have sufficient capacity to accommodate the required number of dedicated branch circuit(s) for circuits for the future installation of the EVSE.
Section 1920. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by adding Section 5.106.3.2.1, to read as follows:

[Add the following section:]

SEC. 5.106.3.2.1. ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) FAST CHARGING SPACES.

(a) Installation of one Electric Vehicle EV Fast Charger may reduce the number of EV Spaces required under Section 5.106.5.3.2(a) and (b) by up to 10 EV Spaces, provided that the project includes at least one EV Space equipped with a full circuit able to deliver 40 Amps at 208 or 240 volts to the EV Space, including listed raceway, sufficient electrical panel capacity, overcurrent protection devices, wire, and suitable listed termination point such as a receptacle.

(b) After the requirements of 5.106.5.3.2(a) and (b) are met, each planned Electric Vehicle EV Fast Charger may reduce the number of planned EV Spaces required under 5.106.5.3.2(c) by up to 10 spaces. Electrical engineering design and construction documents shall indicate the raceway termination point and proposed location of future EV Fast Charger Spaces and EV Fast Chargers.

Electrical engineering design and construction documents shall also provide information on amperage of EV Fast Chargers, raceway method(s), and wiring schematics. Electrical engineering design and construction documents shall also provide electrical load calculations to verify that the electrical panel service capacity and electrical system has sufficient capacity to simultaneously operate all installed EV Fast Chargers with the full rated amperage of the EV fast charger(s), and simultaneously serve a minimum of 40 amps per branch circuit to any remaining EV spaces required by Sections 4.106.4.4.2 (a) and (b) 5.106.5.3.2(a). Raceways and related components that are planned to be installed in underground, enclosed, inaccessible, or otherwise concealed areas and/or spaces, shall be installed
at the time of original construction.

Section 2021. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 5.106.5.3.3, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

**SEC. 5.106.5.3.3. EV SPACE SLOPE, DIMENSIONS, AND LOCATION. EV-CHARGING-SPACE CALCULATION.**

Electrical engineering and design and construction documents shall indicate how many accessible EVCS would be required under Title 24 Chapter 11B Table 11B-228.3.2.1, if applicable, in order to convert all EV Spaces required under 5.106.5.3.2 to EVCS. Electrical engineering excluding the exceptions in 5.106.5.3.2. Design and construction documents shall also demonstrate that the facility is designed so that compliance with accessibility standards will be feasible for accessible EV Spaces at the time of EVCS installation. Surface slope for any area designated for accessible EV Spaces shall meet slope requirements in section 11B-812.3 at the time of original building construction and vertical clearance requirements in Section 11B-812-4, if applicable.

**Exception:** Accessibility requirements of Section 5.106.5.3.3 shall not apply to buildings which are not covered under Title 24 Part 2 Chapter 11B. In addition, all applicable exceptions to Chapter 11B shall continue to apply to this Section 5.106.5.3.3.

**Note:** Section 5.106.5.3.3, above, requires that the project be prepared to comply with accessibility requirements applicable at the time of EVSE installation. Section 11B-812 of the 2016 California Building Code requires that a facility providing EVCS for public and common use also provide one or more accessibility EVCS as specified in Table 11B-228.3.2.1. Chapter 11B applies to regulate accessibility in certain buildings and facilities, including but not limited to accessibility in public buildings, public accommodations, commercial buildings, and publicly funded housing (see section 1.9 of Part 2 of the California Building Code).
Code). Section 11B-812.4 requires that "Parking spaces, access aisles and vehicular routes serving them shall provide a vertical clearance of 98 inches (2489 mm) minimum."

Section 11B-812.3 requires that parking spaces and access aisles meet maximum slope requirements of 1 unit vertical in 48 units horizontal (2.083% slope) in any direction at the time of new building construction or renovation. Section 11B-812.5 contains accessible route requirements.

Table 5.106.5.3.3 shall be used to determine if single or multiple charging space requirements apply for the future installation of EVSE.

Exceptions: On a case-by-case basis where the local enforcing agency has determined EV charging and infrastructure is not feasible based upon one or more of the following conditions:

1. Where there is insufficient electrical supply.
2. Where there is evidence suitable to the local enforcing agency substantiating that additional local utility infrastructure design requirements, directly related to the implementation of Section 5.106.5.3, may adversely impact the construction cost of the project.

Section 2422. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 5.106.5.3.4, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]

SEC. 5.106.5.3.4. IDENTIFICATION. [N] The service panel or subpanel(s) circuit directory shall identify the reserved overcurrent protective device space(s) for future EV charging as "EVSE READY" for full circuits and otherwise "EVSE CAPABLE." The raceway termination location or receptacle shall be permanently and visibly marked as "EVSE READY" for full circuits and otherwise "EVSE CAPABLE" until such time as EVSE are installed.
Section 2223. The Green Building Code is hereby amended by revising Section 5.106.5.3.5, to read as follows:

[Revise this section as follows:]**

SEC. 5.106.5.3.5. [N]  
Future charging spaces qualify as designated parking as described in Section 5.106.5.2, Designated parking for clean air vehicles.

Notes:


2. See Vehicle Code Section 22511 for EV charging spaces signage in off-street parking facilities and for use of EV charging spaces.


Section 24. The Environment Code is hereby amended by adding Chapter 27, to read as follows:

**CHAPTER 27: ELECTRIC VEHICLE READINESS IMPLEMENTATION.**

SEC. 2701. PURPOSE.  
The purpose of this Chapter 27 is to encourage the utilization of electric service capacity designated for electric vehicle charging that has been installed in San Francisco
buildings in accordance with the San Francisco Green Building Code.

SEC. 2702. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING INSPECTION.

The Director of the Department of Building Inspection shall provide to the Department of Environment a list of the buildings and facilities that are Electric Vehicle Ready, as identified by their compliance with San Francisco Green Building Code Sections 4.106 and 5.106, or equivalent means to identify such buildings and facilities.

SEC. 2703. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT.

The Department of the Environment shall maintain a list of Electric Vehicle Ready buildings and facilities, and annually notify owners of Electric Vehicle Ready buildings of both their responsibilities under this Chapter 27, and any currently available financing or incentives for the installation of electric vehicle chargers.

SEC. 2704. REQUIREMENTS OF ELECTRIC VEHICLE READY BUILDING OWNERS.

(a) Owners of Electric Vehicle Ready buildings, including homeowners’ associations and similar entities, shall annually notify all residents and lessees of owned Electric Vehicle Ready buildings of the remaining electrical service capacity in the facility; the right of tenants of dwelling units in California to install electric vehicle service equipment per California Civil Code Section 1947.6; and of any applicable financing or incentives, as conveyed by the Department of Environment under Section 2703.

(b) Enforcement of notification requirement for building owners.

(1) Warning. The Director shall issue a written warning to any building owner he or she determines is violating subsection (a) of this Section 2704. In the event the Director finds that after 30 days from the date of such warning, a building owner has failed to comply, the Director may impose administrative fines as provided in this Section 2704.
(2) Administrative Fines. Violations of the provisions of this Chapter, or of any regulations issued by the Director pursuant to Section 2007, may be punished by administrative fines as follows. For buildings of 50,000 square feet and greater, up to $100 per day for a maximum of 25 days in one twelve-month period for each building in violation. For buildings of 49,999 square feet or less, up to $50 per day for a maximum of 25 days in one 12-month period for each building in violation.

(3) Except as to the amount of administrative fines, set forth above, Administrative Code Chapter 100, "Procedures Governing the Imposition of Administrative Fines," as may be amended from time to time, is hereby incorporated in its entirety and shall govern the imposition, enforcement, collection, and review of administrative citations issued by the Department of the Environment to enforce this Section 2704 and any rule or regulation adopted pursuant to this Chapter 27.

(c) Use of Proceeds. Administrative fine collected under subsection (b) shall be used to fund implementation and enforcement of this Chapter.

(d) This Section 2704 shall not apply to the City or to any municipally owned buildings.

SEC. 2705. DISCLAIMER.

In adopting and implementing this Chapter, the City and County of San Francisco is assuming an undertaking only to promote the general welfare. It is not assuming, nor is it imposing on its officers and employees, an obligation for breach of which it is liable in money damages to any person who claims that such breach proximately caused injury.

Section 2325. Effective and Operative Dates. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it,
or the Board of Supervisors overrides the Mayor's veto of the ordinance. The provisions of this ordinance shall become operative on May 1, 2017, January 1, 2018.

Section 2426. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles, numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the "Note" that appears under the official title of the ordinance.

Section 2527. Directions to Clerk. The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors is hereby directed to forward a copy of this ordinance to the California Building Standards Commission upon final passage.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

By: NEHA GUPTA
Deputy City Attorney

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Ordinance amending the Green Building Code and the Environment Code to establish requirements for installation of electric vehicle charger infrastructure in new buildings or buildings undergoing major alterations, and requirements for notification to building owners, residents, and lessees; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; making findings under the California Health and Safety Code; and directing the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors to forward this Ordinance to the California Building Standards Commission upon final passage.

April 10, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING NEW TITLE

April 10, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - CONTINUED AS AMENDED

April 17, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - AMENDED, AN AMENDMENT OF THE WHOLE BEARING SAME TITLE

April 17, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - NOT AMENDED

April 17, 2017 Land Use and Transportation Committee - RECOMMENDED AS AMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

April 18, 2017 Board of Supervisors - PASSED ON FIRST READING
   Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee

April 25, 2017 Board of Supervisors - FINALLY PASSED
   Ayes: 11 - Breed, Cohen, Farrell, Fewer, Kim, Peskin, Ronen, Safai, Sheehy, Tang and Yee
I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance was FINALLY PASSED on 4/25/2017 by the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco.

Angela Calvillo
Clerk of the Board

Date Approved: 4/27/2017