

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF SALINAS REPEALING  
ORDINANCE NO. 2663 (RESIDENTIAL RENTAL REGISTRATION), ORDINANCE  
NO. 2681 (RENT STABILIZATION), ORDINANCE NO. 2682 (TENANT PROTECTION  
AND JUST CAUSE EVICTION), AND ORDINANCE NO. 2683 (TENANT ANTI-  
HARASSMENT)**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF SALINAS:

**SECTION 1. FINDINGS.** The voters of the City of Salinas hereby find as follows:

- A. On June 3, 2025, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2687 to repeal four ordinances, collectively referred to herein as the “Rent Ordinances”: Ordinance No. 2663 (Residential Rental Registration); Ordinance No. 2681 (Rent Stabilization); Ordinance No. 2682 (Tenant Protection and Just Cause Eviction); and Ordinance No. 2683 (Tenant Anti-Harassment).
- B. Ordinance No. 2687 was due to become effective thirty (30) days after its adoption; however, a referendum petition containing a sufficient number of signatures was timely submitted and certified by the City Clerk and the Monterey County Registrar of Voters. After considering the options related to the referendum petition, on September 9, 2025, the City Council decided to submit Ordinance No. 2687 to the voters of Salinas at the next regular municipal election on November 3, 2026.
- C. This ordinance amends the Salinas Municipal Code by repealing Article I, Article IIA, Article IIB, and Article IIC of Chapter 17.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF THE SALINAS MUNICIPAL CODE.**

Ordinance No. 2663, codified at Article I of Chapter 17 of the Salinas Municipal Code and titled “Residential Rental Registration” is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Ordinance No. 2681, codified at Article IIA of Chapter 17 of the Salinas Municipal Code and titled “Rent Stabilization” is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Ordinance No. 2682, codified at Article IIB of the Salinas Municipal Code and titled “Tenant Protection and Just Cause Eviction” is hereby repealed in its entirety.

Ordinance No. 2683, codified at article IIC of the Salinas Municipal Code and titled “Tenant Anti-Harassment” is hereby repealed in its entirety.

**SECTION 3.** All ordinances and parts of ordinances and all resolutions and parts of resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed as of the effective date of this ordinance.

**SECTION 4.** Severability. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, or phrase of this ordinance is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court of any competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance. The Salinas City Council hereby declares that it would have passed this ordinance and each and every section, subsection, clause, and phrase thereof not declared invalid or unconstitutional without regard to whether any portion of the ordinance would be subsequently declared invalid or unconstitutional.

**SECTION 5.** Under CEQA Guidelines 15060(c)(2) and 15378, subdivisions (2) and (4) of subdivision (b), this action does not constitute a project under CEQA and therefore review under CEQA is not required.

**SECTION 6.** Codification. Upon adoption of this ordinance pursuant to the voter approval referenced herein, the City Clerk, in consultation with the City Attorney, is hereby authorized and directed to codify this ordinance in the Salinas Municipal Code.

**SECTION 7.** Effective Date. Pursuant to California Elections Code Section 9217, If this ordinance is approved by a majority of the voters voting on the issue at the November 3, 2026 election, the ordinance shall be deemed adopted upon the date the vote is declared by the City Council and shall go into effect ten (10) days after that date. .

**SECTION 8.** Publication. The City Clerk of Salinas is hereby directed to cause the ordinance to be published by one (1) insertion in the Monterey County Weekly, a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the city of Salinas.

APPROVED by the following vote of the voters of the city of Salinas on November 3, 2026:

YES:

NO:

ADOPTED by declaration of the vote of the City Council of the City of Salinas on \_\_\_\_\_, 2026.

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSENT:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**APPROVED:**

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Dennis Donohue, Mayor

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Christopher A. Callihan, City Attorney

**ATTEST:**

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Patricia M. Soratos, City Clerk