

A scenic landscape featuring a calm lake in the foreground with some aquatic plants. In the middle ground, a person is seen in a red kayak on the water. The background is dominated by a massive, rugged mountain range with steep slopes covered in dense green forests. The lighting suggests either sunrise or sunset, with warm orange and yellow hues reflecting off the mountain peaks.

Code Compliance

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Panel Discussion

Code Compliance Procedure Manual Updates:

- Clearer and more standardized code violation case intake, investigation, and documentation protocols.
- Refined enforcement sequencing that emphasizes voluntary compliance while allowing for timely and appropriate escalation.
- Improved notifications including warnings, administrative citations, abatements, and receivership referrals.
- Enhanced coordination on complex & priority code violation cases.

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Code Case Management Improvements:

- Earlier identification of complex cases that warrant elevated enforcement tools
- Proactive management of older and long-standing cases
- Clearer compliance pathways for property owners
- Improved prioritization and oversight



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Code Case Metrics:

2024

- 248 cases opened / 230 cases closed
- 93% closure rate

2025

- 290 cases opened / 252 cases closed
- 87% closure rate

Staffing & Code Case Management:

- Average caseload: ~89 cases per officer
- All open cases actively inspected and managed
- No dormant or unassigned cases
- Multiple enforcement pathways in use



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Body-Worn Cameras (Informational)

Key Considerations:

- Potential benefits – documentation, transparency, accountability, safety
- Potential negative impacts - approachability, privacy, records management, ongoing costs, unclear case benefit

Five-Year Estimate (equipment only): ~\$196k

Option:

- Evaluate the full cost of implementing body-worn cameras in Code Compliance, evaluate existing programs of other jurisdictions in more detail, and bring back to the Board for consideration