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AGENDA OF THE
BOARD OF BUILDING AND SAFETY COMMISSIONERS (BBSC)

201 NORTH FIGUEROA STREET - ROOM 900

TUESDAY, MAY 30, 2023 - MEETING NO. 8683

9:30 a.m.

GUIDELINES FOR TESTIMONY ON ALL SCHEDULED HEARINGS

Pursuant to the Board's Resolution No. 901-90, the Board must necessarily limit the speaking times of those presenting testimony on either side of an issue that is scheduled for a hearing before the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners. In all instances, equal time shall be allowed for presentation of pros and cons regarding the appeal. Specifically, a period, generally limited to two (2) minutes per speaker and ten (10) minutes per side, shall be allowed for all testimony on each side of an issue.

A copy of Board Resolution No. 901-90 may be obtained from the Commission Office, Room 1030, 201 North Figueroa Street, Los Angeles. For further information, call the Commission Office at (213) 482-0466.

Anyone desiring to speak and/or receive a copy of an action regarding a case included in this agenda must complete a speaker card and/or a sign-in sheet and submit it to the Board Secretary. Please do not disrupt proceedings once the meeting has commenced. All beepers and cell phones are to be turned off or otherwise set so as to not disturb the proceedings. Anyone unable to attend this meeting and wishes to provide comment and/or receive a copy of an action regarding a case included in this agenda must complete the City of Los Angeles Board of Building and Safety Public Comment Form at <https://bit.ly/LABBSC2020>. It should be noted that the Board may take brief recesses during the meeting, including an approximate 20-minute break around the noon hour.

As a covered entity under Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Angeles does not discriminate on the basis of disability and, upon request, will provide reasonable accommodation to ensure equal access to its programs, services and activities. Sign Language Interpreters, Communication Access Real-Time Transcription (CART), Assistive Listening Devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability, you are advised to make your request at least 72 hours prior to the meeting you wish to attend. Due to difficulties in securing Sign Language Interpreters, five or more business days notice is strongly recommended. Información en español acerca de esta junta puede ser obtenida llamando al (213) 482-0466. Se ofrecen servicios de traducción al Español en todas las juntas de la comisión. For additional information, please contact the Commission Office at (213) 482-0466 or at ladbs.haulrequest@lacity.org.

Unless otherwise specified at the time of the vote, an action taken, consistent with the staff recommendation, shall be deemed to have been taken on the basis of, and to have adopted, the reasons, findings and conclusions set forth in the staff report as modified by staff at the hearing.

****NOTE: MEETINGS OF THE BBSC ARE RECORDED. RECORDINGS ARE KEPT FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR.****

A. BUSINESS

1. Election of Officers for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

B. REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY

Briefing on the events of the preceding week and on the progress of the Department and other governmental agencies on matters of general concern of the Board

1. General

C. PRESENTATION BY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON ANY NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL RESOLUTION, OR COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT FILED WITH THE CITY CLERK, WHICH RELATES TO ANY AGENDA ITEM LISTED OR BEING CONSIDERED ON THIS AGENDA.

D. PUBLIC HEARINGS regarding EXPORT-IMPORT applications pursuant to Section 91.7006.7.5

1. **1001 NORTH BEL-AIR ROAD; BOARD FILE NO. 230012**

C.D.: 5 (Councilmember Katy Young Yaroslavsky); Bel Air – Beverly Crest Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Karl Muhs
BUREAU/DIVISION: Engineering/Grading

APPLICANT: Benjamin Eshaghian

Consideration of Application to export 2,800 cubic yards of earth from the project site; and consideration whether the project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15303 (Class 3) & Section 15332 (Class 32) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Case No. ENV-2022-1227-CE), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.

**ACTION BY THE BBSC IS APPEALABLE TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITHIN TEN DAYS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 91.7006.7.5**

2. **6555-6561 WEST FRANKLIN AVENUE; BOARD FILE NO. 230016**

C.D.: 4 (Councilmember Nithya Raman); Hollywood Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Karl Muhs
BUREAU/DIVISION: Engineering/Grading

APPLICANT: Hayman Development LLC

Consideration of Application to export 2,864 cubic yards of earth from the project site; and consideration whether the project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15332 (Class 32) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Case No. ENV-2020-7353-CE), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS APPEALABLE TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITHIN TEN DAYS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 91.7006.7.5

3. 111-139 NORTH HARBOR BOULEVARD & 116-138 NORTH BEACON STREET; BOARD FILE NO. 230018

C.D.: 15 (Councilmember Tim McOsker); San Pedro Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Jeffrey Christian
BUREAU/DIVISION: Engineering/Grading

APPLICANT: Chris Antzoulatos

Consideration of Application to export 16,000 cubic yards of earth from the project site; and consideration whether the project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15332 (Class 32) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Case No. ENV-2019-5560-CE), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS APPEALABLE TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITHIN TEN DAYS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 91.7006.7.5

4. 4123 & 4125 NORTH MAMMOTH AVENUE; BOARD FILE NO. 230019

C.D.: 4 (Councilmember Nithya Raman); Sherman Oaks – Studio City – Toluca Lake – Cahuenga Pass Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Jeffrey Christian
BUREAU/DIVISION: Engineering/Grading

APPLICANT: EZ Permits LLC – Hoa “Sean” Nguyen

Consideration of Application to export 2,000 cubic yards of earth from the project site; and consideration whether the project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15301 (Class 1), Section 15303 (Class 3), and Section 15332 (Class 32) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Case No. ENV-2022-5828-CE), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS APPEALABLE TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITHIN TEN DAYS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 91.7006.7.5

5. 267 NORTH TOYOPA DRIVE; BOARD FILE NO. 230021

C.D.: 11 (Councilmember Traci Park); Brentwood – Pacific Palisades Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: John Corbin
BUREAU/DIVISION: Engineering/Grading

APPLICANT: Ricardo & Eliza Kawamura

Consideration of Application to export 3,655 cubic yards of earth from the project site; and consideration whether the project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15301 (Class 1), Section 15303 (Class 3), and Section 15332 (Class 32) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

Guidelines (Case No. ENV-2022-6416-CE), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.

**ACTION BY THE BBSC IS APPEALABLE TO THE CITY COUNCIL WITHIN TEN DAYS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 91.7006.7.5**

- E. **PUBLIC HEARINGS** regarding appeals from determinations, orders, or actions of the Department pertaining to the enforcement of specific ordinances, regulations or laws pursuant to the authority described in Section 98.0403.1(b) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

1. 2219 SOUTH BENECIA AVENUE; BOARD FILE NO. 230003

C.D.: 5 (Councilmember Katy Young Yaroslavy); West Los Angeles Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Brian Hauff
BUREAU/DIVISION: Inspection/Residential

PETITIONER: Sheida Ashley

SUBJECT:

Request for Reconsideration of Appeal.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

- F. **PUBLIC NUISANCE HEARINGS** regarding the abatement of vacant buildings or structures that are open to unauthorized entry, pursuant to Section 91.8904.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

1. 2441-2443 EAST FOLSOM STREET; BOARD FILE NO. 230027

C.D.: 14 (Councilmember Kevin de Leon); Boyle Heights Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: John Corbin
BUREAU/DIVISION: Code Enforcement/Vacant Building Abatement

PETITIONER: 2441 Folsom Street LLC

SUBJECT:

Two vacant, dilapidated, vandalized buildings on the same lot, with the same owner, open to unauthorized entry, and regularly used by vagrants, criminals, gangs, or for other illegal purposes without the owner's permission.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

G. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board.

Note: The Board will limit the total time allocated for public testimony in accordance with its guidelines described on the first page of this agenda; will determine when that time shall be allotted during the meeting; will establish time limits for each speaker; and will specify time limits to be allocated on any one item. Anyone desiring

to speak during the public comments period must complete the public comments questionnaire and submit it to the Board Secretary prior to the start of the meeting.

H. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Distribution of correspondence to the Board.

I. REPORT FROM THE BOARD SECRETARY

1. General

J. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETINGS

1. February 7, 2023 (JGR)

MATTERS SCHEDULED FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

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Agendas may be accessed through the City website at www.ladbs.org “Our Organization”, “Building & Safety Commissioners”, “BBSC Meeting Agenda.”

The decisions of the Board are effective at the close of the meeting unless it is noted otherwise. The Board or the Superintendent may order a reconsideration of all or part of the case on its or his own motion, or on petition of any party. The power to order a reconsideration shall expire five days after the effective date of the decision (Section 98.0312 LAMC). If no action is taken on a petition within the time allowed for ordering reconsideration, the petition shall be deemed denied.

Pursuant to Section 245 of Article II of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles, actions taken by this Board become final at the expiration of the next five (5) meeting days of the City Council, during which the Council convenes in regular session, unless the City Council acts within that time by two-thirds vote to bring this action before it for consideration.

EXHAUSTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE REMEDIES - If you challenge a City action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Board at or prior to the public hearing. Any written correspondence delivered to the Board before the Board’s final action on a matter will become a part of the administrative record.

The time in which a party may seek judicial review of this determination is governed by California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. This section provides that a petitioner may seek judicial review of the Board’s decision pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, only if the petition for writ of mandate is filed and served no later than the 90th day following the date on which the Board’s decision becomes final.

City of Los Angeles Council Districts

