

BOARD OF
BUILDING AND SAFETY
COMMISSIONERS

JAVIER NUNEZ
PRESIDENT

JOSELYN GEAGA-ROSENTHAL
VICE PRESIDENT

JACOB STEVENS
MOISES ROSALES
NANCY YAP

CITY OF LOS ANGELES

CALIFORNIA



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

DEPARTMENT OF
BUILDING AND SAFETY
201 NORTH FIGUEROA STREET
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

OSAMA YOUNAN, P.E.
GENERAL MANAGER
SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDING

JOHN WEIGHT
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AGENDA OF THE

BOARD OF BUILDING AND SAFETY COMMISSIONERS (BBSC)

201 NORTH FIGUEROA STREET - ROOM 900

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 - MEETING NO. 8687

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. 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.

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

1. 14999 WEST LA CUMBRE DRIVE; BOARD FILE NO. 230030

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

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

APPLICANT: Huntington View Holdings LLC, c/o R Ian Bunje

Consideration of Application to export 8,250 cubic yards of earth from the project site; and consideration whether the project is categorically exempt under CEQA pursuant to Section 15303 (Class 3) and Section 15332 (Class 32) of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines (Case No. ENV-2022-3888-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. 9305 WEST DUXBURY ROAD; BOARD FILE NO. 230033

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

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

APPLICANT: Curtis Fortier

Consideration of Application to export 2,398 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-2022-8298-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. 1919 & 1921 NORTH WILCOX AVENUE; BOARD FILE NO. 230035

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

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

APPLICANT: DCC – Shapour Shajirat

Consideration of Application to export 15,000 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-2022-6724-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. 6835 WEST ALTAMOR DRIVE; BOARD FILE NO. 230040

C.D.: 11 (Councilmember Traci Park); Westchester – Playa del Rey Planning Area

****(CONTINUED FROM AUGUST 22, 2023 HEARING)****

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

APPLICANT: David Curtis - Psomas

Consideration of Application to import 3,000 cubic yards of earth from the project site; and consideration whether the project is statutorily exempt under Public Resource Code, Section 21080(b)(4) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, Section 15269(c).

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

C. **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. 1919 SOUTH STAUNTON AVENUE; BOARD FILE NO. 210012

C.D.: 9 (Councilmember Curren D. Price, Jr.); Southeast Los Angeles Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Chiharu Suzuki
BUREAU/DIVISION: Permit and Engineering/Plan Check

PETITIONER: MSNAR LLC

SUBJECT:

Reconsideration, due to a remand by the Superior Court, of the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners (BBSC) April 27, 2021 decision to not terminate Off-site Parking Affidavit No. 1977-1142376.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

2. 1410 NORTH TANAGER WAY; BOARD FILE NO. 230017

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

STAFF MEMBER: Chad Doi
BUREAU/DIVISION: Permit and Engineering/Plan Check

PETITIONER: James Samatas
SUBJECT:

Request for reconsideration of the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners (BBSC) August 22, 2023 decision.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

D. 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. 8143 NORTH SAN FERNANDO ROAD; BOARD FILE NO. 230037
C.D.: 6 (District 6); Sun Valley – La Tuna Canyon Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Zeydi Stewart
BUREAU/DIVISION: Code Enforcement/Vacant Building Abatement

PETITIONER: JM Asset Management LLC, c/o Michael Chang

SUBJECT:

A vacant commercial building, open to unauthorized entry and regularly used by vagrants, vandals, gang members or for other illegal activity without the owner's permission.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

2. 8153 NORTH SAN FERNANDO ROAD; BOARD FILE NO. 230038
C.D.: 6 (District 6); Sun Valley – La Tuna Canyon Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Zeydi Stewart
BUREAU/DIVISION: Code Enforcement/Vacant Building Abatement

PETITIONER: JM Asset Management LLC, c/o Michael Chang

SUBJECT:

A vacant commercial building, open to unauthorized entry and regularly used by vagrants, vandals, gang members or for other illegal activity without the owner's permission.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

3. 8165 NORTH SAN FERNANDO ROAD; BOARD FILE NO. 230039
C.D.: 6 (District 6); Sun Valley – La Tuna Canyon Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Zeydi Stewart
BUREAU/DIVISION: Code Enforcement/Vacant Building Abatement

PETITIONER: JM Asset Management LLC, c/o Michael Chang

SUBJECT:

A vacant commercial building, open to unauthorized entry and regularly used by vagrants, vandals, gang members or for other illegal activity without the owner's permission.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

4. 8157 NORTH SAN FERNANDO ROAD; BOARD FILE NO. 230044
C.D.: 6 (District 6); Sun Valley – La Tuna Canyon Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Zeydi Stewart
BUREAU/DIVISION: Code Enforcement/Vacant Building Abatement

PETITIONER: JM Asset Management LLC, c/o Michael Chang

SUBJECT:

A vacant commercial building, open to unauthorized entry and regularly used by vagrants, vandals, gang members or for other illegal activity without the owner's permission.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

5. 8175 NORTH SAN FERNANDO ROAD; BOARD FILE NO. 230045
C.D.: 6 (District 6); Sun Valley – La Tuna Canyon Planning Area

STAFF MEMBER: Zeydi Stewart
BUREAU/DIVISION: Code Enforcement/Vacant Building Abatement

PETITIONER: JM Asset Management LLC, c/o Michael Chang

SUBJECT:

A vacant commercial building, open to unauthorized entry and regularly used by vagrants, vandals, gang members or for other illegal activity without the owner's permission.

ACTION BY THE BBSC IS NOT APPEALABLE.

E. 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.

F. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS TO THE BOARD

Distribution of correspondence to the Board.

G. REPORT FROM THE BOARD SECRETARY

1. General

COMMISSION STAFF

Veronica Lopez, Board Secretary
veronica.lopez@lacity.org
(213) 482-7429

Jeffrey Christian, Staff Inspector
jeffrey.christian@lacity.org
(213) 923 6233

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

