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I am a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State of California; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above entitled matter. I am the principal clerk of the printer and publisher of the LOS ANGELES DAILY JOURNAL, a newspaper published in the English language in the city of LOS ANGELES, county of LOS ANGELES, and adjudged a newspaper of general circulation as defined by the laws of the State of California by the Superior Court of the County of LOS ANGELES, State of California, under date 04/26/1954, Case No. 599,382. That the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy, has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

12/12/2023

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At Los Angeles, California

I certify (or declare) under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.



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3. **Mixed-Use:** Where the project involves a combination of Residential, Commercial, and/or Industrial uses, the highest fee shall be charged at 100%, the second highest at 50%, and the third and subsequent fee at 25%. This fee discounting shall not apply to the fee required by Section 19.02 E.1.(a) of this Code.

F. **Map Related Fees.**

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee. Rows include Review of Revision of Tentative/Preliminary Map (\$3,174), Modification to Approved Tentative/Preliminary Map or Recorded Final Map (\$8,912), Reversion to Acreage (\$8,922), Time Extension for Maps (\$1,067), Letter of Clarification or Correction (\$4,786).

SEC. 19.03. FEES FOR GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY.

The following fees shall be charged when a zone change is requested by an applicant that necessitates the initiation of a General Plan Amendment to achieve consistency between the requested zone change and the General Plan:

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee*. Rows include Zone Change and associated costs for a General Plan Amendment for less than 400 dwelling units (\$33,790), Zone Change and associated costs for a General Plan Amendment for 400 dwelling units or greater (\$40,284), Annexation, Zone Change and associated costs for a General Plan Amendment less than 400 dwelling units (\$91,084), Annexation, Zone Change and associated costs for a General Plan Amendment for 400 dwelling units or greater (\$92,753), Street Re-Classification (\$16,761).

* See Section 19.01 Q. for multiple applications.

SEC. 19.04. FEES FOR SIGN-OFF OR CLEARANCE REQUESTS.

The following fees and charges shall be paid to the Department of City Planning in connection with sign-off or clearance requests:

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee. Rows include Public Benefit Project Clearance for by-right project (\$603), Miscellaneous Clearance - ZA (\$2,347), Miscellaneous Clearance - ZA SF dwellings with no exceptions (\$842), Request for Approval to erect temporary Subdivision Directional Signs (First Sign) (\$452), Request for Approval to erect temporary Subdivision Directional Signs (Each Additional Sign) (\$400), Miscellaneous Clearance - Director (\$2,132), Miscellaneous Clearance - Commission (\$2,522), Landscape Plan Approval as part of a Discretionary Approval (\$1,005), Miscellaneous Clearance - Advisory Agency (\$713), Miscellaneous Clearance - Approval of plans for Substantial Conformance (\$2,681), Building Permit Clearance - Minor (\$313), Administrative Review - Minor (\$1,408), Administrative Review - Major (\$4,173), Administrative Clearance - Restaurant Beverage Program (\$2,347), Monitoring - Restaurant Beverage Program (\$1,878), Inspection and Field Compliance Review - Restaurant Beverage Program (\$816).

A. **Development Plans.** Each final development plan for a residential planned development filed with the City Planning Commission for its report and recommendation subsequent to the application for the establishment of a Residential Planned Development District (RPD District), as defined in Section 13.04 shall be accompanied by a filing fee of \$199 plus \$1.70 for each acre or portion of an acre shown on the plan.

B. **Modification of Plans or Conditions.** Each request to the City Planning Commission for its report and recommendations on modifications of an approved final development plan in an RPD District or of a condition imposed on a residential planned development shall be accompanied by a filing fee of \$263.

SEC. 19.05. FILING FEES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCES.

A. **Fees.** For the preparation and processing of required studies, analysis, reports, findings, mitigation measures, certifications, and notices under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), all fees, deposits, and costs provided in Subsections 1 and 2 below, shall be paid. All monies required to be paid in this Section, shall be paid to the City Planning Department at the time the permit application is filed unless otherwise indicated in this Section. The determination of the necessary actions to comply with CEQA is at the City's discretion acting as the lead or responsible agency.

1. **Categorical Exemptions (CEs), Negative Declarations (NDs)/Mitigated Negative Declarations (MNDs), Environmental Assessment Forms (EAFs), and Addenda:**

Table 1. Fees for CEs, EAFs, NDs, and MNDs

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee. Rows include Categorical Exemption (Classes 1-31, 33) (\$556), Class 32 Categorical Exemption (\$4,481), EAF / Initial Study leading to ND or MND or Statutory Exemptions (except Sustainable Communities Project Exemption) (\$6,911), MND / Expanded Initial Study, Subsequent Approval Review (CEQA Guidelines Section 15162), or Addendum to ND or MND - Expanded (\$12,163), Subsequent Approval Review (CEQA Guidelines Section 15162) or Addendum to ND or MND (\$2,692), Publication Fee for Notice of Intent to Adopt ND or MND (pass through of publishing costs) (\$1,700).

2. **EIRs, SCPEs, and SCEAs:**

(a) **Deposit.** An initial deposit as provided in Table 2 below, is required at the time of an application for an EAF, resulting in an Environmental Impact Report (EIR), Sustainable Communities Project Exemption (SCPE), Sustainable Communities Environmental Assessment (SCEA), or any other environmental clearance available in CEQA that is not otherwise expressly listed in Subsections 1 or 2 (Other CEQA Clearance)

Table 2. Deposits and Fees for EIRs, SCEAs, SCPEs and Other CEQA Clearances

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee. Rows include EIRs (includes Focused EIRs) - Initial Deposit (\$15,000), SCPE, SCEA, or Other CEQA Clearance - Initial Deposit (\$10,000), Subsequent Approval to EIR (CEQA Guidelines Section 15162) - Initial Deposit (\$7,500), EIR (including Supplemental, Subsequent, Tiered, Focused, or Addendum to EIR) Review Services (hourly) (\$209), SCPE Review Services (hourly) (\$209), SCEA Review Services (hourly) (\$209), Other CEQA Clearance Review Services (hourly) (\$209).

(b) **Full Cost Recovery.** For any costs incurred by the City, other than for those CEQA clearances or notices identified in Table 1, above, the applicant is responsible for all of the City's actual costs to comply with CEQA. All other costs shall be paid at the cost invoiced by the City for the City's actual costs.

(c) **Indemnification and Defense.** Applicants are responsible for any and all costs incurred by the City in defense of any and all actions or claims arising in full or in part out of the City's processing of a project application filed under Chapter 1 or Chapter 1A and the City's actions to comply with CEQA. Applicants shall deposit \$50,000 (or an amount found necessary by the City Attorney's Office to ensure the City's costs are fully covered) to the City Attorney's Office upon receipt of a tender of defense letter. The Applicant shall pay all invoices from the City Attorney's Office for its costs and ensure that the initial deposit is maintained in full at all times prior to final disposition of the case or action.

B. **Child Care Fees.** No fee shall be charged in connection with the processing of an initial study or filing of an EIR for any child care facility or nursery school which is determined to be nonprofit, including, but not limited to, parent cooperatives and facilities funded by a governmental agency or owned or operated by a philanthropic institution, church, or similar institution. A facility funded by a governmental agency shall indicate the primary current and anticipated source of funds.

Where any uncertainty exists as to the nonprofit status of the facility, the applicant shall file a copy of the articles of incorporation or an affidavit showing, to the satisfaction of a Zoning Administrator, that the child care facility will be nonprofit.

SEC. 19.06. FILING FEES FOR COASTAL DEVELOPMENT PERMITS.

A. **Filing Fees.** In addition to any other fees set forth in this Code, the following fees shall be charged and collected by the permit granting authority in connection with the filing of all applications for coastal development permits:

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee*. Rows include Coastal Development Permit for Single-Family residential dwelling (Section 12.20.2; Section 13B.9.1.) (\$12,605), Coastal Development Permit for Multi-Family residential dwelling (Section 12.20.2; Section 13B.9.1.) (\$16,709), Coastal Development Permit for Non-residential (Section 12.20.2; Section 13B.9.1.) (\$16,709), Coastal Development Permit Exemption Determination (Section 12.20.2.1; Sections 13B.9.1. and 13B.9.2.) (\$1,565), Coastal Development Permit Amendment (Sections 12.20.2.1 Q. and 12.20.2 O.; Sections 13B.9.1. and 13B.9.2.) (\$10,988), Coastal Development Permit - Mello Compliance Review - City Review (Section 12.20.2) (\$3,394).

* See Section 19.01 Q. for multiple applications.

B. **Filing Fees for Environmental Impact Reports and Negative Declarations.** Where an environmental impact report or negative declaration is prepared for a project for which application for a coastal development permit has been made, a negative declaration or environmental impact report shall consider the effect of the project in light of the criteria established in Section 12.20.2 G.1.(a) through (e) and Section 13B.9.1.D.-E. of this Code, and no additional charge shall be made. Where the underlying project is otherwise exempt from the preparation of a negative declaration or environmental impact report but either document is required for the coastal development permit, those fees set forth in Section 19.05 of this Code shall be applicable, and shall be collected by the appropriate permit granting authority.

SEC. 19.07. FEES FOR FLOOD HAZARD REPORTS AND COMPLIANCE CHECKS.

A. **Basic Review Fee.** Except for services subject to the provisions of Subsection B or C of this section, the Bureau of Engineering shall charge and collect a fee of \$273 to perform each of the following services pertaining to Flood Hazard compliance:

1. **Flood Hazard Compliance Check Fee.** Review to verify that a permitted project would or does comply with the requirements of the Los Angeles Specific Plan for the Management of Flood Hazards (Ordinance 172,081, as may be amended) and the National Flood Insurance Program.

2. **Elevation Certificate Processing Fee.** Process an Elevation Certificate for building permits located in floodplain zones, in compliance with the requirements of the Los Angeles Specific Plan for the Management of Flood Hazards (Ordinance 172,081, as may be amended) and the National Flood Insurance Program.

3. **Floodproofing Certificate Processing.** Process a Floodproofing Certificate for a commercial project or a non-single-family development proposed in a floodplain zone, in compliance with the requirements of the Los Angeles Specific Plan for the Management of Flood Hazards (Ordinance 172,081, as may be amended) and the National Flood Insurance Program.

4. **Letter of Map Change/Conditional Letter of Map Change Processing.** Process a Conditional Letter of Map Revision, Conditional Letter of Map Amendment, Letter of Map Revisions, or Letter of Map Amendment.

B. **Reviews or Services Requiring Additional Staff Time of 16 or Fewer Hours.** For all Bureau of Engineering services identified in Subsection A. of this section for which a fee of \$273 is charged, and which will require Bureau staff to review plans or surveys, or take other action in addition to that normally required to accomplish the task for which the \$273 fee is charged, the Bureau shall charge and collect a fee pursuant to the provisions of Section 61.14 of this Code, except for reviews or services provided pursuant to the provisions of Subsection C. of this section.

C. **Reviews or Services Requiring Additional Staff Time of More than 16 Hours.** For all Bureau of Engineering services identified in Subsection A. of this section for which a fee of \$273 is charged, and which will require Bureau staff to review plans or surveys, or take other action, and where Bureau staff will be required to provide more than 16 hours of staff time in addition to that normally required to accomplish the task for which the \$273 fee is charged, the Bureau shall charge and collect actual Bureau of Engineering costs and a deposit for such costs as determined and collected pursuant to the provisions of Section 61.15 of this Code.

D. **All Fees Owed Prior to Bureau Action.** The Bureau of Engineering shall not issue any approval or decision with respect to any matter for which this section requires payment to the Bureau until all monies owed pursuant to the provisions of this section are paid.

SEC. 19.08. SURCHARGE FOR DEVELOPMENT SERVICES CENTERS.

A. There shall be added to each fee imposed for any permit, license, or application provided for in this article, a surcharge in an amount equal to the greater of 3% of the fee or \$1.00.

B. The previous surcharge amount of 2% is increased solely to pay for the \$21.76 million cost of developing and implementing BuildLA, a comprehensive enterprise-wide development services system, and shall not be used to pay for ongoing BuildLA costs, such as maintenance or system hosting services.

C. The surcharge shall be returned to the greater of 2% or \$1.00 when the City Administrative Officer determines the surcharge increase has recovered the \$21.76 million cost of BuildLA.

SEC. 19.09. PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND COUNSELING SERVICES.

[FILING FEE]

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee. Rows include Zoning Pre-Check with Feasibility Study (Minor/Review) (Section 12.24; Sections 13B.2.1., 13B.2.2., and 13B.2.3.) (\$1,460), Zoning Pre-Check with Pre-Application Review (Major) (\$3,129).

SEC. 19.10. DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FEES.

[FILING FEE]

Table with 2 columns: Type of Application, Base Fee. Rows include Development Agreement Fee (Section 12.32; Sections 13B.1.2., 13B.1.3. and 13B.1.4.) (\$32,807).

In addition to the fees set forth above, the City may negotiate with the applicant for reimbursement of the actual costs to City associated with administering the development agreement, pursuant to LAAC Section 5.121.9.3. The actual costs assessed shall be offset by the fees collected as indicated in the table above.

SEC. 19.11. ANNUAL INSPECTION OF COMPLIANCE WITH FLOOR AREA RATIO AVERAGING AND RESIDENTIAL DENSITY TRANSFER COVENANTS.

A fee of \$300 shall be charged and collected by the Department of Building and Safety to cover the cost of an annual inspection to monitor compliance with, and maintain records of, the covenant required pursuant to Sections 12.24 B.25. and 12.24 C.58. of this Code, recorded prior to July 1, 2000, and Section 12.24 W.19. of this Code on and after July 1, 2000.

SEC. 19.12. DEVIATIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 16.03 E.

Applicants for determinations by the Zoning Administrator for deviations pursuant to Section 16.03 E. of this Code shall pay a fee of \$869.

Sec. 2. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality
HYDEE FELDSTEIN SOTO, City Attorney
By *Kimberly A. Huangfu*
KIMBERLY HUANGFU
Deputy City Attorney
Date November 2, 2023
File No. 09-0969-S4

Pursuant to Charter Section 559, I approve this ordinance on behalf of the City Planning Commission and recommend that it be adopted.
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VINCENT P. BERTONI, AICP
Director of Planning
Date November 1, 2023

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles.

CITY CLERK MAYOR
Heidi Ann Wilbur *Karen Bass*
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