

Communication from Public

Name: Pacific Palisades Community Council

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Council File No: 25-0006-S57

Comments for Public Posting: Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) supports and requests a full waiver of plan check and permit fees for development projects in the Palisades burn area, including all multi-family developments. See the attached PPCC position letter submitted in April 2025 to the Mayor, Councilmembers and other City officials. Thank you. Christina Spitz, At-large, assisting with admin.



PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

April 28, 2025

Hon. Karen Bass, Mayor, City of Los Angeles
Hon. Hydee Feldstein Soto, Los Angeles City Attorney
Hon. Marqueece Harris Dawson, President, LA City Council
Hon. Traci Park, Chair, Ad Hoc Committee for LA Recovery
Hon. Katy Yaroslavsky, Chair, Budget and Finance Committee
Matthew Szabo, City Administrative Officer, City of Los Angeles (CAO)
Vince P. Bertoni, AICP, Director, Los Angeles Dept. of City Planning (DCP)
Osama Younan, General Manager, Los Angeles Dept. of Building & Safety (LADBS)

Via email to the above addressees and submission to the City Clerk filing portal in CF 25-0006-S57

Re: Mayor's Emergency Order No. 7 re Suspension of Plan Check and Permit Fees; CF 25-0006-S57 (Park); Request to Extend Order and Ordinance to Owners of Multi-family Developments

Dear Los Angeles City Officials:

As you know, Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has for 53 years been the voice of Pacific Palisades, the community at the epicenter of the Palisades Fire on January 7, 2025 – the most devastating catastrophe ever experienced in Los Angeles. Palisadians continue to suffer both emotionally and financially from the tragedy.

On March 15, 2025, PPCC, via its Executive Committee, submitted our letter supporting CF 25-0006-S57 (Park); stating our position in support of a **full waiver of all plan check and permit fees for rebuilds and repairs**; urging the CAO to complete the required feasibility study and to conclude that a full waiver of fees is required; and requesting that the City Council approve a full waiver of fees as soon as possible. See our letter at: <https://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/PPCC-Letter-Waiver-Fees.pdf>.

We are now grateful that Mayor Bass – building upon the motion in CF 25-0006-S57 – has issued her Emergency Order No. 7, suspending plan check and permit fees for owners of **single-family residences and duplexes** in Pacific Palisades, pending the City Council's approval of an ordinance providing for a waiver of such fees.

We write now to make clear that suspension and, ultimately, a full waiver of fees must extend as well to owners of **condominiums, town homes and all multi-family developments in the Palisades burn area**.

As you know, debris removal by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was extended to owners of multi-family developments. By the same token, there is *no reason to exclude these owners* from the order suspending collection of plan check and permit fees, or from any ordinance (to be prepared by the City Attorney) providing for a waiver of such fees. As one of our Palisades constituents and a condo owner recently stated eloquently:

“As a community, we are interdependent and therefore can’t fully recover when parts of the community are left out.” *(from constituent Roseanne Landay)*

We fully support this statement and principle. PPCC respectfully submits that *all constituents who own residences in the Palisades, whether single-family homes, duplexes, condominiums, townhomes, apartments or other multi-family developments (including applicable mobile home owners), must be treated equally for purposes of suspension and ultimately waiver of these fees.*

PPCC reiterates that a full waiver of plan check and permit fees for all owners seeking to rebuild and return to our beloved community is of the utmost importance to constituents and critical to the reconstruction of Pacific Palisades.

Thank you for your consideration and anticipated prompt attention to this important request.

Sincerely,

Pacific Palisades Community Council Executive Committee:

President Sue Kohl; Vice-President Quentin Fleming; Treasurer Jenny Li; Secretary Beth Holden-Garland;
Chair Emeritus Maryam Zar; Elected Representative (At-large) Christina Spitz; Organizational Representative
(PRIDE) John Padden

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear Council President and Honorable Council members, We are homeowners who lost their home at 667 Palmera Ave in the Palisades fire. Our house, everything we owned, and all of our family memories are gone. What we have now is simply a burned, empty lot. Like many others, we did not receive enough money from insurance to cover the full cost of rebuilding. We are already struggling just to figure out how we can ever return home. The additional cost of plan check and permit fees is a serious financial burden. Without these fees being waived, we may simply not be able to rebuild at all. We strongly support the Mayor's bill to waive plan and permit fees for fire victims, and we urgently ask you to approve it. Everyone who lost their home in this fire deserves the same opportunity to rebuild, regardless of the type of structure or minor paperwork issues. We are asking you to help us and our neighbors come home. Please vote YES to waive plan and permit fees for all Palisades fire victims. Thank you for your time, your compassion, and your service to our community Andrea and Barry Zetlin Former homeowners at 667 Palmera Ave Pacific Palisades 90272 Phone: 310 849-6063 Email: zetlin@msn.com

Communication from Public

Name: Sevil Tajvari

Date Submitted: 11/29/2025 08:32 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: URGENT – Palisades Fire Rebuild Permit Fee Waiver Office of the City Clerk Los Angeles City Council Re: Support for Waiving Plan & Permit Fees for Palisades Fire Victims Dear Council President and Honorable Councilmembers, We are homeowners who lost our home on Palmera Ave in the Palisades fire. Our house, everything we owned, and all of our family memories are gone. What we have now is simply a burned, empty lot. Like many others, we did not receive enough money from insurance to cover the full cost of rebuilding. We are already struggling just to figure out how we can ever return home. The additional cost of plan check and permit fees is a serious financial burden. Without these fees being waived, we may simply not be able to rebuild at all. We strongly support the Mayor’s bill to waive plan and permit fees for fire victims, and we urgently ask you to approve it. Please ensure that the waiver applies to all homes being rebuilt, including: • Condos • Townhomes • Mobile homes • Small apartment buildings • Houses that might otherwise be disqualified on technicalities Everyone who lost their home in this fire deserves the same opportunity to rebuild, regardless of the type of structure or minor paperwork issues. We are asking you to help us and our neighbors come home. Please vote YES to waive plan and permit fees for all Palisades fire victims. Thank you for your time, your compassion, and your service to our community. Sincerely, Sevil Tajvari