

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending portions of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to make non-technical and grammatical corrections, correct improper code section references, and other changes to obtain consistency within Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. The second, third and fourth sentences of Section 91.101 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Sections of Article 1.5 of Chapter IX of LAMC shall collectively be known as the Los Angeles Residential Code or LARC. The provisions of the LARC for one- and two-family dwellings shall apply to the construction, alteration, movement, enlargement, replacement, repair, equipment, use and occupancy, location, removal and demolition of detached one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses not more than three stories above grade plane in height with a separate means of egress and their accessory structures. In addition to the LARC, appropriate Sections of Divisions 1, 11A, 11B, 17, 31, 31B, 33, 34, 63, 67, 70, 71, 72, 81, 89, 92, 93 and 96 of the LABC shall also be applicable to one- and two-family dwellings and townhouses unless stated otherwise.

Sec. 2. The Exception to Section 91.101 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read:

EXCEPTION: Live/work units complying with the requirements of CBC Section 419 shall be permitted to be built as one- and two-family dwellings or townhouses. Fire suppression required by CBC Section 419.5 when constructed under the CRC for one- and two-family dwellings shall conform to CBC Section 903.3.1.3.

Sec. 3. Subsection 91.101.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.101.2. Purpose. The purpose of this article is to safeguard life, limb, health, property and public welfare by regulating and controlling the design, construction, quality of materials, use and occupancy, location and maintenance of all buildings and structures erected or to be erected within the City, and be regulating certain grading operations within the City.

Sec. 4. The second and third sentences of Subsection 91.101.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

For additions, alterations, moving and maintenance of buildings and structures, see Division 34 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC. For temporary buildings and structures, see CBC Section 3103 and LAMC Subsection 91.106.1.3.

Sec. 5. The sixth sentence of Subsection 91.101.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a specific requirement, the specific requirement shall govern.

Sec. 6. The eighth sentence of Subsection 91.101.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where differences occur between provisions of this Code and referenced codes and standards, the provisions of this Code shall govern.

Sec. 7. Subdivision 1 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

1. One-story detached accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area is not greater than 120 square feet (11.148 m²) not located in Fire District No. 1 and does not contain any heating, plumbing or electrical installation, and is located as permitted by Chapter 1 of the LAMC.

Sec. 8. Subdivision 7 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

7. Pergolas and lath houses, both of which shall be outside of any fire district, not over 400 square feet (37 m²) in area, and not supported by or attached to any portion of any building.

Sec. 9. Subdivision 8 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

8. Work in a public way, dams and drainage structures constructed by or under contract with the Board of Public Works, the Department of Water and Power and the County Flood Control district, unless the structure forms a portion of the support for a building or a structure coming within the jurisdiction of the Department.

Sec. 10. Subdivision 10 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

10. Isolated buildings not larger in area than 16 square feet (1.9 m²), including roof projections and not more than 8 feet (2,438.4 mm) in height, if separated by a distance of 20 feet (6.09 m) or more.

Sec. 11. Subdivision 12 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

12. The surface mining of minerals in a "G" Surface Mining District as established and provided for in LAMC Section 13.03, or where permitted by order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

Sec. 12. Subdivision 13 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

13. The depositing of rubbish or other material at any dump operated by the City or by any person pursuant to the provisions of LAMC Section 66.25.

Sec. 13. Subdivision 14 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

14. Nothing in this Code shall apply to grading in an isolated, self-contained area if the Department finds that by reason of such isolation and self-containment no danger to private or public property can now or thereafter result from grading operations.

Sec. 14. The first sentence of Subdivision 15 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Any portable metal hangar less than 2,000 square feet (186 m²) in size, located on a City owned airport, used for the parking of aircraft only, and bearing evidence of approval by the Department of Motor Vehicles of the State of California for movement on any highway.

Sec. 15. Subdivision 16 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

16. Tents and trailers used for office or shelter purposes accessory to a Christmas tree sales lot during the month of December only, provided the aggregate area of all tents and trailers does not exceed 600 square feet (56 m²) for each sales lot. (Such tents are regulated by the Fire Department under Article 7, Chapter V of the LAMC.)

Sec. 16. Subdivision 17 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

17. Tents accessory to a dwelling and not exceeding 450 square feet (41.8 m²) in area.

Sec. 17. Subdivision 18 of Subsection 91.101.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

18. Signs not exceeding 20 square feet (1.9 m²) in area, placed upon the surface of the ground, no part of which extends more than 6 feet 6 inches (1,981.2 mm) above the underlying ground, which have no mechanical or moving parts or to which no electricity or other source of illumination or power are attached or made a part thereof. Such signs shall be separated from each other a minimum distance of 15 feet (4.57 m).

Sec. 18. Section 91.102 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.102. UNSAFE BUILDINGS OR STRUCTURES.

The regulations for the abatement of unsafe buildings or structures are enumerated in Division 89 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 19. The fifth sentence of Subsection 91.103.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

If two or more pertinent limitations are not identical, the most restrictive requirement shall govern. Where there is a conflict between a general requirement and a specific requirement, the specific requirement shall govern.

Sec. 20. Subsection 91.104.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.104.2.2. Authority to Require Exposure of Work. Whenever any work on which called inspections are required, as specified in LAMC Section 91.108, is covered or concealed by additional work without first having been inspected, the work shall be exposed for examination upon written notice by the Department. The work of exposing and recovering shall not entail expense to the City.

Sec. 21. Subsection 91.104.2.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.104.2.3. Right of Entry. The authority for right of entry is enumerated in LAMC Section 98.0105.

Sec. 22. Subsection 91.104.2.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.104.2.4. Authority to Stop Work. Whenever any construction work is being done contrary to the provisions of any law or ordinance enforced by the Department, the Department shall have the authority to issue a written notice to the responsible party to stop work on that portion of the work on which the violation has occurred. The notice shall state the nature of the violation and no work shall be done on that portion until the violation has been rectified and approval obtained from the Department.

Sec. 23. Subsection 91.104.2.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.104.2.6. Alternate Materials, Alternate Design and Methods of Construction.

New or alternate materials and methods of construction may be approved by the Department as provided by CBC Section 104.11 and LAMC Section 98.0501.

Sec. 24. Subsection 91.104.2.7.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.104.2.7.2. The Department may require that all materials to be used in the construction of any building or structure, or materials already used or fabricated into a building or structure, be submitted for testing to a Department approved testing agency.

Sec. 25. Subsection 91.104.2.7.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.104.2.7.3. It is unlawful for any person, within five days after having received a written notice from the Department, to fail to submit to an approved testing agency, a sample, sufficient for analysis, of any material to be used in the erection or construction of a building or structure, or that has been used or fabricated into a building or structure.

Sec. 26. Subsection 91.104.2.7.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.104.2.7.2. No material required by the Department to be submitted to a testing agency for analysis shall be approved by the Department unless the person requesting approval submits a written report of the analysis by such testing agency.

Sec. 27. Subsection 91.105.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.1. General. Appeals or requests for slight modifications in individual cases from the requirements of this Code shall be made in accordance with the procedure established in LAMC Subsection 98.0403.2.

Sec. 28. Subsection 91.105.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.3.1. Function of the Committee. It shall be the function of the Engineering Geology Advisory Committee (hereinafter in this Subsection referred to as the “Committee”) to advise and counsel the Board on appeals involving technical questions of soils engineering, geology, geology/seismology and related matters.

Sec. 29. The first sentence of Subsection 91.105.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Board of Building and Safety Commissioners (Board) shall establish an Engineering Geology Advisory Committee member list (hereinafter in this Subsection referred to as the “committee member list”) which shall consist of not less than 10 soils engineers and engineering geologists who are available to serve as members of the Engineering Geology Advisory Committee.

Sec. 30. The third sentence of Subsection 91.105.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Committee members shall be exempt from all Civil Service provisions.

Sec. 31. The third and fourth sentences of Subsection 91.105.3.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The members of the committee so meeting shall review the matter and shall then submit to the Board a recommendation. When a matter is referred to the Committee as this Subsection provides, the Board shall consider, but is not bound to accept, the recommendation of the Committee.

Sec. 32. Subsection 91.105.3.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.3.4. Compensation of Members. Each Committee member who is in actual attendance at a meeting requested by the Board shall be compensated at the rate of \$50.00 for each four hours or fraction thereof of service. However, in no case shall the compensation of the Committee members exceed the fee paid by the appellant under LAMC Subsection 91.105.3.6.

Sec. 33. Subsection 91.105.3.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.3.5. Self-insurance by the City for Committee Members. The provisions of City of Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Sections 11.36 through 11.44 inclusive, entitled “Self Insurance by the City for Officers and Employees of Said City”, shall apply to each Committee member while the member is acting as such, and

Committee members shall be deemed to be fully covered by the provisions of said sections event though each Committee member is retained as an independent person and not as an officer or employee of the City.

Sec. 34. The first sentence of Subsection 91.105.3.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

When a matter is referred to the Committee as provide in this Subsection, the appellant in said matter shall pay a referral fee of \$50.00 and shall also pay a fee as follows:

Sec. 35. Subsection 91.105.4.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.4.1. Function of the Committee. It shall be the function of a Sign Advisory Committee to advise, counsel and provide recommendations to the Board on matters involving sign regulations.

Sec. 36. Subsection 91.105.4.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.4.2. Establishment of the Committee Member List. The Board shall establish a Sign Advisory Committee member list representing the various required fields of interest of persons who are available to serve as members of a Sign Advisory Committee. Persons selected for the Sign Advisory Committee member list shall possess experience in the design, fabrication, the use or application of signs, or shall have demonstrated a background in the social and environment impacts of signs or the development of sign regulations. Committee members shall be exempt from all Civil Service requirements.

Sec. 37. Subsection 91.105.4.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.4.3. Procedure. When the Board determines that a matter is significant in nature, the Board may refer the matter to a Sign Advisory Committee for evaluation and recommendation before it renders a decision. When the matter is referred to a Sign Advisory Committee, the Board shall consider, but is not bound to accept the recommendation of the Committee.

Sec. 38. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.105.4.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The Board shall select five persons from the Sign Advisory Committee member list to serve on a committee. The Committee shall be composed of one member from each of the following interests:

Sec. 39. Subsection 91.105.4.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.4.5. Compensation of Members. Each Committee member who is in actual attendance at a meeting requested by the Board shall be compensated at the rate of \$50.00 for each four hours or fraction thereof of service. However, in no case shall the compensation of the committee members exceed the fee paid by the applicant under LAMC Subsection 91.105.4.7.

Sec. 40. Subsection 91.105.4.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.4.6. Self-insurance by the City for Committee Members. The provisions of LAAC Sections 11.36 through 11.44, inclusive, shall apply to each Sign Advisory Committee member while the member is acting as such, and committee members shall be deemed to be fully covered by the provisions of said sections even through each committee member is retained as an independent person and not as an officer or employee of the City.

Sec. 41. Subsection 91.105.4.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.4.7. Fees. When a matter is referred to the Committee as provided in this Subsection, the applicant in said matter shall pay a referral fee of \$300.00.

Sec. 42. Subsection 91.105.5.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.5.1. Creation of the Commission. There is hereby established a Commission known as the Disabled Access Appeals Commission (hereinafter referred to as the "Commission" in this Subsection).

Sec. 43. The third sentence of Subsection 91.105.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The fifth member may be any resident of the City.

Sec. 44. The sixth sentence of Subsection 91.105.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Commission members shall be exempt from all Civil Service provisions.

Sec. 45. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.105.5.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Commission members shall be paid \$50.00 per meeting attended, but not to exceed \$250.00 in any one calendar month.

The term of office of Commission members shall be five years beginning with the first day of July of the respective years, except that the terms of office of the original five members of the Commission appointed pursuant to this Subsection shall be such that one term shall expire on the first June 30, one term shall expire on the second June 30, one term shall expire on the third June 30, one term shall expire on the fourth June 30, and one term shall expire on the fifth June 30 next following the effective date of the appointment of the original five members.

Sec. 46. The last sentence of Subsection 91.105.5.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Each Commission member shall have the power to administer oaths.

Sec. 47. Subsection 91.105.5.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.5.4. Authority of the Commission. The Commission shall have and exercise the following powers:

1. To hear and determine written appeals brought by any person from actions taken by the Department in the enforcement of the requirements of California Health and Safety Code Section 19955, et seq., the provisions of state law dealing with access to public accommodations by physically disabled persons.

2. To hear and determine written appeals brought by any person from the rulings, decisions and determinations of the Department granting or denying applications for exceptions pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 19957.

3. To hear and determine written appeals brought by any persons where it is alleged that there is error or abuse of discretion in any order, requirement, decision, interpretation or other determination made by the Department in the enforcement or administration of Section 1.8 et seq., Chapter 1, Division I of the CBC and any other federal, state or municipal handicapped access or adaptability requirements.

All appeals shall be reviewed by the Department. The Department may reverse or modify the action appealed from at any time prior to final action by the Commission. Any such new action may then be appealed to the Commission.

4. To respond to the Department's request for advice on any matter within the Department's jurisdiction relating to access to public accommodations and housing by the physically disabled.

5. To exercise the authority granted in LAMC Subsection 91.105.6.

Sec. 48. Subsection 91.105.5.5.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.5.5.1. Procedures. An appeal to the Commission may be filed by any person aggrieved, or by any City officer, board, department or bureau. An appeal shall be in writing and filed with the Office of the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners upon appropriate forms provided by the Department. An appeal shall set forth specifically the points at issue, the reasons for the appeal, and wherein the appellant believes there was an error or an abuse of discretion by the Department.

The Commission shall make its determination within 30 days from the filing of the appeal and payment of the filing fee as set forth in Table 4-A of Division 4, Article 8, Chapter IX of the LAMC. This time limit may be extended by mutual written consent of the applicant and the Commission. Upon receipt of the appeal, the Commission shall set the matter for hearing and give notice by mail of the time, place and purpose thereof to the appellant, to the applicant, to the owner or owners of the property involved, and to any interested party who has requested in writing to be so notified. Such notice shall be in writing and mailed at least 10 days prior to said hearing. No other notice thereof need be given except in those cases hereinafter mentioned.

The Commission may grant, conditionally grant, or deny any appeal. All actions of the commission shall be final. Any action within the jurisdiction of the Commission shall be final and conclusive as to the Department in the absence of fraud or abuse of discretion.

A separate appeal shall be filed for each single building as described in LAMC Subsection 98.0403.2. Appeals to the Appeals Commission shall be accompanied by a filing fee as set forth in Table 4-A of Division 4, Article 8, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

If the Commission fails to act on any appeal within the time limit specified in this section, then the action of the Department on the matter shall be final.

Sec. 49. Subsection 91.105.5.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.5.5.2. Decision. The decision upon an appeal shall be concurred in by at least three Commission members. The Commission may modify or reverse a ruling, decision or determination appealed from only upon making written findings setting forth specifically wherein the action of the Department was in error or constituted an abuse of

discretion. The Commission shall make specific written findings supporting any modification or reversal.

Upon making a decision, a copy of the findings and determination shall be furnished the applicant, the appellant and the Department.

Sec. 50. Subsection 91.105.5.5.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.5.5.3. Special Findings. Before granting or affirming the grant of an exception pursuant to California Health and Safety Code Section 19957, the Commission must find that the application involves a case of practical difficulty, unnecessary hardship, or extreme differences, and that it is clearly evident that equivalent facilitation and protection will be secured.

Sec. 51. Subsection 91.105.5.5.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.5.5.4. Revocation of Approvals. The Commission shall revoke or rescind any determination, including the grant of an appeal or exception, if made in error in violation of any provision of law, or in reliance on any false statement or misrepresentation as to a material fact.

Sec. 52. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.105.5.5.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The rights and privileges granted by the Commission pursuant to any decision, determination, approval, appeal or exception shall be void if all required building permits are not secured within one year of the effective date of such action, or if the permit expires under any of the conditions specified in LAMC Section 98.0602.

However, the Commission, and the Superintendent of Building acting on behalf of the Commission, may grant extensions of time if the applicant submits in writing substantial evidence that unusual conditions or circumstances either precluded the securing of all required permits within the allocated time or caused the permit to expire as specified in LAMC Section 98.0602.

Sec. 53. The first sentence of Subsection 91.105.5.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In considering appeals, the Commission may exercise the following powers:

Sec. 54. Subdivision 3 of Subsection 91.105.5.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3. To request the City Attorney, or an assistant or deputy designated by the City Attorney to appear at any hearing before the Commission.

Sec. 55. The first sentence of Subsection 91.105.5.5.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Code, the Commission's jurisdiction shall not include the right to hear and determine an appeal from a Department determination, order or action if such appeal is filed:

Sec. 56. The last sentence of Subsection 91.105.5.5.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Further, the Commission's jurisdiction shall not include the right to hear appeals from or otherwise review any action, order or determination of the Board.

Sec. 57. The first sentence of Subsection 91.105.6.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

If the Superintendent of Building determines that a person has violated or failed to comply with any requirement of the law relating to access to public accommodations and housing by the physically disabled, then the Superintendent of Building may issue an order of abatement and notice of proposed penalty to that person.

Sec. 58. The last sentence of Subsection 91.105.6.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The order and notice shall also set forth the person's right to a hearing as described in LAMC Subsection 91.105.6.2.

Sec. 59. Subsection 91.105.6.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.6.2. Right to Hearing. Any person served with an order of abatement or notice of proposed penalty, may apply in writing to the Disabled Access Appeals Commission for a hearing with respect to the violation alleged, the abatement period, and the amount of the penalty. This request shall be filed within 15 days after the date of service of the order of abatement or notice of proposed penalty.

If the person does not request a hearing within the prescribed time, then the notice of proposed penalty shall be final, and the amount of any penalty included in the notice shall immediately be due and owing to the City. The City then shall have the right

to bring an action in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the order and collect the amount of the penalty.

If the Department determines that there has been compliance with the order of abatement within the time for correction, then the Department may rescind the notice of penalty.

Sec. 60. Subsection 91.105.6.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.105.6.3. Time of Hearing; Notice. If the person timely requests a hearing, the Superintendent of Building shall cause the matter to be set for hearing before the Disabled Access Appeals Commission. The hearing shall be scheduled not later than 30 days after the date of the application for hearing is filed and filing fee, if any, paid. This time limit may be extended with the mutual consent of the person and the Commission. It shall be a defense to the affirmation of any penalty that the person complied with the order of abatement within the time for correction.

The decision of the Commission on the order of abatement and notice of proposed penalty shall be final, and the amount of any penalty affirmed by the Commission shall immediately be due and owing to the City. The City then shall have the right to bring an action in any court of competent jurisdiction to enforce the order and collect the amount of penalty.

Sec. 61. The first, second and third sentences of Subsection 91.105.6.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Any penalty required to be paid under the provisions of this section is a debt owed to the City. Any person owing a penalty due under the provisions of this section shall be liable in an action brought in the name of the City in any court of competent jurisdiction for recovery of any such amount.

The conviction of any person for violating any law shall not relieve the person from the obligation to pay any penalty that the person may owe the City, nor shall such payment prevent a prosecution under appropriate provisions of law for any violation of the law.

Sec. 62. The first sentence of Subsection 91.105.6.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Superintendent of Building shall submit a schedule for the assessment of civil penalties under this section to City Council for approval by ordinance.

Sec. 63. The first sentence of Subsection 91.106.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

No person shall erect, construct, alter, repair, demolish, remove or move any building or structure, nor shall any person commence any liquid washing, compressed air cleaning or steam cleaning of exterior surfaces of any building unless said person has obtained a permit therefor from the Department.

Sec. 64. The fourth sentence of Subsection 91.106.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Sandblasting, liquid washing, compressed air cleaning, steam cleaning of exterior surfaces of buildings adjacent to and within 20 feet (6.09 m) of pedestrian walkways in dedicated streets within the limits of Fire District No. 1 shall be done only between the hours of 11:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m., or on Sundays.

Sec. 65. The last sentence of Subsection 91.106.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where complete plans for a proposed building are filed with the Department and where a foundation only permit is issued with respect thereto in accordance with rules established by the Superintendent of Building, a building permit may be issued for the remainder of the building within one year after the issuance of the foundation only permit, provided the plans and specifications comply with all applicable LABC provisions in effect at the time of issuance of the foundation only permit.

Sec. 66. The third sentence of Subsection 91.106.1.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Any grading project involving more than 100 cubic yards (76.5 m³) of excavation and involving an excavation in excess of 5 feet (1524 mm) in vertical depth at its deepest point measured from the original ground surface shall be done by a State of California licensed contractor who is licensed to perform the work described in the grading permit.

Sec. 67. The fifth sentence of Subsection 91.106.1.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

However, one permit may include the entire grading operation at that site.

Sec. 68. Paragraphs 1 and 2 under and The Exception to Subsection 91.106.1.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: All other provisions of this Code shall apply, but a permit will not be required if the work complies with any one of the following conditions:

1. An excavation which (a) is less than 2 feet (610 mm) in depth, or (b) which does not create a cut slope greater than 5 feet (1524 mm) in height and steeper than 1 unit vertical in 2 units horizontal (50 percent slope). This exception shall not apply to a cut which exceeds 50 cubic yards (38.3 m³) or which changes the existing drainage pattern.

2. A fill less than 1 foot (305 mm) in depth and placed on natural terrain with a slope flatter than 1 unit vertical in 10 units horizontal (10 percent slope). This exception shall not apply when the fill exceeds 50 cubic yards (38.3 m³) or when the fill changes the existing drainage pattern.

Sec. 69. The first sentence of Subsection 91.106.1.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Before commencing the construction of any work for temporary use, a building permit authorizing such work shall be obtained from the Department.

Sec. 70. The third sentence of Subsection 91.106.1.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Except for tents and bleachers, the permit application shall be filed at least seven days prior to the construction, erection or operation of any device, structure, or any work regulated by this article for temporary use.

Sec. 71. The last sentence of Subsection 91.105.6.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Requests for inspection must be received by the Department at least two work days prior to public use or occupancy.

Sec. 72. Subdivisions 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Subsection 91.106.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

1. Work regulated by this Code valued at \$500.00 or less, unless it affects the structural stability of a building, or public safety, or is done to make a building conform to the requirements of this Code for a change in use or occupancy.

2. Flag poles and towers not erected upon a building and not more than 15 feet (4572 mm) high. Radio and television antennae towers which do not exceed 45 feet (13.71 m) in height or light standards which do not exceed 30 feet (9.14 m) in height.

3. Construction sheds, state approved construction trailers without toilet facilities and sidewalk protection barriers and canopies built pursuant to Division 33 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

4. Sandblasting, liquid washing, compressed air cleaning, steam cleaning of buildings outside of Fire District No. 1 and also those exterior surfaces of buildings which are located more than 20 feet (6.09 m) from pedestrian walkways in dedicated streets. Painting, papering and similar work, provided, however, that the values thereof shall be included as part of the value of any new construction for which a permit is required by this Code, for the purpose of determining the amount of the fee to be paid for the permit; and provided further that this exception does not include operations such as liquid washing, compressed air cleaning and steam cleaning on the exterior surfaces of buildings adjacent and within 20 feet (6.09 m) of pedestrian walkways in dedicated streets where these operations extend above the first story.

Sec. 73. Subdivisions 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of Subsection 91.106.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

6. Exhibits, booths, partitions and display counters for temporary use not exceeding 30 days in conjunction with an exhibit or show and not exceeding 12 feet (3657.6 mm) in height above the floor.

7. Outdoor tents or cloth structures for temporary use not exceeding 30 days and not exceeding 12 feet (3657.7 mm) in any dimension, provided such tents are accessory to an indoor or outdoor assembly use on the site.

8. Swimming, bathing and wading pools not exceeding 24 inches (609.6 mm) in depth or having a surface area not exceeding 250 square feet (23.22 m²).

9. Canopies or awnings located outside of Fire District No. 1 extending not more than 4 feet (1219.2 mm) from the exterior wall of the building and attached to Group R Occupancies.

10. Impact hazard glazing pursuant to LAMC Section 91.6101.

11. Work performed by Certified Licensed Contractors in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.108.12.1.

Sec. 74. Subdivisions 13, 14, and 15 of Subsection 91.106.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

13. Masonry or concrete fences not over 3 1/2 feet (1066.8 mm) high, and other fences not over 10 feet (3048 mm) high.

14. Tanks for the storage of combustible liquids, if resting upon the surface of the ground and surrounded by an impounding basin conforming to the requirements of Article 7 of Chapter V of the LAMC (Fire Code).

15. Cases, counters and partitions, not over 5 feet 9 inches (1752.6 mm) high.

Sec. 75. The first, second and third sentences of Subsection 91.106.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

To obtain a permit, the applicant shall file an application on a form furnished by the Department.

The applicant shall file one complete application for each permit. Every application shall:

Sec. 76. Subdivision 4 of Subsection 91.106.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

4. Be accompanied by plans, diagrams, computations and specifications and other data as required in LAMC Subsection 91.106.3.2.

Sec. 77. The Exception to Subsection 91.106.3.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: The Superintendent of Building may waive the omission of a site plot when the proposed work is of such a nature that no information is needed to determine compliance with all laws relating to the location of buildings or occupancies.

Sec. 78. The last sentence of Subsection 91.106.3.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

With respect to the site, the plot shall show the boundaries, lot lines, existing and proposed buildings and structures, neighboring public ways, and sufficient dimensions and other data to enable the Department to determine compliance with all laws relating to the location of buildings or occupancies on the site.

Sec. 79. The second sentence and the Exception to Subsection 91.106.3.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The number of sets of plans and specifications submitted with each application for a building permit may comply with the regulations of LAMC Subsections 91.107.3.2 and 91.107.3.3.

EXCEPTION: The Superintendent of Building may waive the requirement for plans and specifications as required in this article if the Superintendent of Building finds that the information on the application is sufficient to show that the work will conform to the provisions of this Code and other relevant laws.

Sec. 80. Subsection 91.106.3.2.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.3.2.3. Official Stamp. When the plans and specifications fully comply with the provisions of LAMC Subsection 91.106.3.3, the Department shall place an official stamp of approval or an approval perforation on each sheet of each set and, upon payment of the permit fee, shall issue one set to the applicant.

Sec. 81. Subsection 91.106.3.2.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.3.2.5. Alterations to Stamped Plans. No stamped or approved plans or specifications shall be altered in any manner, except when and as approved by the Department.

Sec. 82. The first sentence of Subsection 91.106.3.3.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

All plans and specifications submitted to the Department for checking shall be drawn with ink or indelible pencil, or shall be made by a reproduction process approved by the Department.

Sec. 83. The third, fourth and fifth sentences of Subsection 91.106.3.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The plans and specifications shall be of sufficient clarity to indicate the nature and extent of the proposed work and to show in detail that it will conform to the provisions of this Code and relevant laws, ordinances, rules, regulations and orders.

Plans for buildings more than two stories in height other than Group R, Division 3 and Group U Occupancies shall indicate how required structural and fire resistive integrity will be maintained where a penetration will be made for electrical, mechanical, plumbing and communication conduits, pipes and similar systems.

In lieu of detailed specifications, the Department may approve reference on the plans to specific section, subsection or paragraph of this Code or other ordinance or law.

Sec. 84. The last sentence of Subsection 91.106.3.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

When required by LAMC Subsection 91.1704.1.1, a statement of special inspection prepared by the registered engineer or licensed architect responsible for the design of the project shall be included with the set of plans.

Sec. 85. The first sentence of Subsection 91.106.3.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

When a structural design is required for the purpose of obtaining a permit, it shall be justified by a written record of computations filed with the Department and each sheet of the drawings and written record of computations shall be signed by or bear the approved stamp of an engineer or architect licensed by the State of California for the type of service performed.

Sec. 86. The last sentence of Subsection 91.106.3.3.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In addition, all architectural sheets shall bear the signature or approved stamp of an architect licensed by the State of California.

Sec. 87. Subsection 91.106.4.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.1. Issuance. When the Department determines that the information on the application and plans is in conformance with this Code and other relevant codes and ordinances, and upon payment of all required fees, the Department shall issue a permit.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. The Department shall have the authority to withhold a permit for any building if public sewers are not available and the provisions of Article 4, Chapter IX of the LAMC (Plumbing Code) prohibit the use of a private sewage disposal system on the lot or premises.

Notwithstanding the provisions of Chapter 7 of the California Plumbing Code as adopted in LAMC Section 94.700.0 to the contrary, and for any lot or premises located in whole or in part in the San Fernando Valley and certain adjacent areas as described in LAMC Section 64.26 A.2.:

If public sewers are not available and Article 4 of Chapter IX of the LAMC does not prohibit the use of a private sewage disposal system, a building permit may be issued, provided that:

A. The owner or owners shall install a holding tank pursuant to permits from the Department and the Los Angeles Fire Department; and

B. The owner or owners shall submit a covenant and agreement that runs with the land to provide a connection to the public sewer when it becomes available, or to vacate the building if no connection is made. This covenant and agreement shall be signed by the owner or owners and filed with the County Recorder; or

C. The permit is for four or fewer dwelling units in a residential zone, or for a structure that will not result in the discharge of wastewater.

2. The Department shall have the authority to withhold permits where the proposed development is located in an area subject to slides or unstable soil which may have an adverse effect on the proposed development or access thereto, as determined by the Department. If the apparent safety of the proposed development can be verified pursuant to the provisions of LAMC Subsections 91.7016.4.2 and 91.7016.4.3, the Department shall issue a permit upon receipt of a sworn affidavit which has been recorded by the County Recorder, stating that the applicant is fully aware that the proposed development is located in an area subject to slides or unstable soil which may have an adverse effect on the proposed development or access thereto.

3. The Department shall have the authority to withhold a building permit where the proposed building site is an area subject to inundation, as determined by the Department. If it can be shown by authentic past records that any possible inundation is not likely to be of such extent as to be an immediate hazard to occupancy of the proposed building, the Department shall issue a building permit upon receipt of a sworn affidavit which has been recorded by the county recorder stating that said applicant is fully aware of the Department's finding that the structure is an area subject to inundation.

4. The Department shall have the authority to withhold permits on projects located within a Special (Fault) Studies Zone established under California Public Resources Code Chapter 7.5, Division 2. Permits may be issued if it can be demonstrated through accepted geologic seismic studies that the proposed structure will be located in a safe manner and

not over or astraddle the trace of an active fault. Acceptable geologic seismic studies shall meet the criteria as set forth in rules and regulations established by the Superintendent of Building to assure that such studies are based on sufficient geologic data to determine the location or nonexistence of the active fault trace on a site. Prior to approval of a project, a geologic report defining and delineating any hazard of surface fault rupture shall be required. If the City finds that no undue hazard of this kind exists, the geologic report on such hazard may be waived, with approval of the State Geologist.

5. The Department shall have the authority to withhold a demolition or relocation permit for a residential building composed of two or more residential rental units under the following circumstances:

A. When the applicant states that the purpose for demolition or relocation is to construct a condominium, stock cooperative or community apartment project, permits shall be withheld until all necessary tentative tract or preliminary parcel maps for such new subdivision have been approved by the City.

B. This (Exception 5) shall not apply if the building is to be demolished and is:

(i) Constructed of unreinforced masonry construction and built pursuant to a building permit issued prior to October 1, 1933; or

(ii) To be demolished pursuant to a demolition order issued by the Department under authority set forth in Division 89 of Article I, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

C. This (Exception 5) shall not apply if the applicant demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Department that the site will be developed with housing for low- to moderate-income households, which housing is to be developed, constructed or acquired with federal, state or local government financial assistance.

D. This (Exception 5) shall not apply to two-family dwellings or to apartment houses and apartment hotels containing three dwelling units, provided that at least one dwelling unit in each such building is occupied by a record owner of the property.

6. The Department shall have the authority to withhold permits on projects located within a Methane Zone or Methane Buffer Zone established under LAMC Sections 91.7101 *et seq.* Permits may be issued upon submittal of detailed plans that show adequate protection against flammable gas incursion by providing the installation of suitable methane mitigation systems.

7. The Department shall have the authority to withhold permits for public works capital improvement projects until receipt of written certification from the Cultural Affairs Department that the board, bureau or department of the City authorized by law to construct the project has fully complied with the requirements of the City's Public Works Improvements Arts Program. For purposes of this section, "public works capital improvement project" includes any capital project paid for wholly or in part by the City or by any board, bureau or department of the City authorized by the City Charter or other law to construct or remodel any building, structure, park, utility, street, sidewalk or parking facility, or any other type of capital project or any portion thereof, within the geographical limits of the City.

8. The Department shall have the authority to withhold the building permit where, in the opinion of the Superintendent of Building, the design of a structure, due to the unusual configuration of the structure or parts of the structure or assembly of structural materials therein, does not provide at least the same safeguard against earthquake as provided by the applicable portions of this Code when applied in the design of a similar structure of customary configuration.

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10. The Department shall have the authority to withhold a building permit or relocation permit for a site if the Department determines that demolition or relocation work has been done on the site without the benefit of required demolition or relocation permits. If the Department, after notice and hearing, makes this determination, the Department shall also have the authority to record an affidavit with the County Recorder stating that no permits for any new development shall be issued on the property for a period of five years.

11. The Department shall have the authority to withhold a building permit for a residential building composed of two or more residential rental units, under the following circumstances:

A. When the applicant states that the purpose for a building permit is to construct a condominium, stock cooperative or community apartment project, permits shall be withheld until all necessary tentative tract or preliminary parcel maps for the new subdivision have been approved by the City.

12. The Department shall have the authority to withhold building permits for the construction of hotels until a conditional use permit allowing the sale of liquor has been granted by the Department of City Planning or until the Department receives from the property owner a sworn affidavit, signed by the owner and recorded by the Los Angeles County Recorder, declaring that the hotel shall not sell or serve liquor on the premises for a period of not less than five years.

13. The Department shall have the authority to withhold grading permits for developments with disturbed areas of one acre or more unless the applicant is able to show that a Notice of Intent to comply with the State Construction Activity Storm Water Permit has been filed with the State Water Resources Control Board and a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan has been prepared. For the purpose of this section, "**disturbed area**" shall mean an area altered as a result of cleaning, grading and/or excavation of earth.

14. The Department shall require applicants, as a condition for issuing a grading or building permit, to incorporate into the plan documents best management practices necessary to control stormwater pollution from sediments, erosion, and construction materials leaving the construction site. Such requirements shall be in accordance with the provisions contained in the "**Development Best Management Practices Handbook, Part A Construction Activities**" adopted by the Board of Public Works as authorized by LAMC Section 64.72.

15. The Department shall have the authority to withhold grading and/or building permits for developments until:

A. The applicant incorporates into the development to the satisfaction of the Bureau of Sanitation of the Department of Public Works, best management practices necessary to control stormwater pollution in accordance with the "**Development Best Management Practices Handbook, Part B Planning Activities**" adopted by the Board of Public Works as authorized by LAMC Section 64.72; and

B. The Bureau of Sanitation of the Department of Public Works receives a Covenant and Agreement, signed by the owner and recorded with the Los Angeles County Recorder, declaring that the best management practices necessary to control stormwater pollution shall be installed and/or constructed and maintained in proper working condition at all times; and

C. The applicant submits to the Bureau of Sanitation of the Department of Public Works, a set of plans and specifications showing compliance with the Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Plan or Site Specific Mitigation Plan.

16. The Department shall have the authority to withhold building permits for new development on the site of a destroyed or demolished Residential Hotel and for the conversion or demolition of Residential Units on any property identified as a Residential Hotel by the Housing and Community Investment Department pursuant to Article 7.1, Chapter IV of the LAMC until the Housing and Community Investment Department has verified compliance with the

provisions of Article 7.1, Chapter IV of the LAMC in order to preserve Residential Units in the Residential Hotels of the City.

Sec. 88. The first sentence of Subsection 91.106.4.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The duplicate plans and specifications of every building or structure shall be stamped and retained by the Department during the life of such building.

Sec. 89. The Exception and Subdivision 1 of Subsection 91.106.4.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: Plans for the following need not be maintained, except where required by the Department:

1. Single or multiple dwellings in non-hillside areas which are not part of a common interest development (as defined in California Civil Code Section 1351(c)), and not more than two stores and basement in height.

Sec. 90. Subdivision 4 of Subsection 91.106.4.2.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

4. Any one story building where the span between bearing walls does not exceed 25 feet (7.62 m). However, this exception does not apply to a steel frame or concrete building.

Sec. 91. Subsection 91.106.4.2.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.2.2.1. Inspection of Plans. The copy of the approved building plans maintained by the department as provided by LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.2.1 shall be available for inspection only on the premises of the Department.

EXCEPTION: Plans or portion of plans for banks, other financial institutions or public utilities which are maintained by the Department may not be inspected without written permission from the owner of the building.

Sec. 92. The last sentence of the first paragraph of Subsection 91.106.4.2.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In implementing this provision, the Department shall comply with the requirements of California Health and Safety Code Section 19851.

Sec. 93. Subdivision 3 of Subsection 91.106.4.2.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3. That California Business and Professions Code Section 5536.25(a) states that a licensed architect who signs plans, specifications, reports, or documents shall not be responsible for damage caused by subsequent changes to, or use of, those plans, specifications, reports, or documents where the subsequent changes or uses including changes or uses made by state or local governmental agencies, are not authorized or approved by the licensed architect who originally signed the plans, specifications, reports, or documents, provided that the architectural service rendered by the architect who signed the plans, specifications, reports, or documents was not also a proximate cause of the damage.

Sec. 94. The last sentence of the first unnumbered paragraph and Provision 1 of Subsection 91.106.4.2.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The fees specified in the following Provisions 1 or 2 shall be paid by the person requesting duplication of plans:

1. Building plans that have not been microfilmed and are authorized for reproduction, and grading plans that are to be duplicated by other than City Services will be released only to a bonded duplicating service which has posted a bond for the benefit of the City in an amount at least equal to the value of the plans.

The cost of duplicating the plans shall be paid directly to the duplicating service by the person(s) requesting duplication. That person(s) shall pay a service fee of \$15.00 to the City for each set of plans released to a bonded duplicating service.

Sec. 95. The third sentence of Subsection 91.106.4.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Permits issued under the requirements of this Code shall not relieve the owner of responsibility for securing required permits for work to be done which is regulated by any other code, department or division of the City.

Sec. 96. The last unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.106.4.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

If the work described by a valid permit is prohibited by a subsequent change in the LAMC, then such work may be completed only if the Department determines that both substantial liabilities have been incurred, and substantial work has been performed on site, in accordance the terms of that permit. Work performed and liabilities incurred pursuant to a demolition or relocation permit shall not be considered in determining whether a permittee or owner may complete a building or structure for which a building permit has been issued.

Sec. 97. Subsection 91.106.4.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.3.2. Validity of Other Laws. Neither the issuance of a permit nor the approval by the Department of any document shall constitute an approval of any violation of any provision of this Code or of any other law or ordinance, and a permit or other document purporting to give authority to violate any law shall not be interpreted as approving a violation of any provision of this Code or any other law or ordinance.

Sec. 98. The first sentence of Subsection 91.106.4.3.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Before issuing any permit, the Department shall require a declaration, under penalty of perjury, from the owner or agent having the property owner's consent stating that:

Sec. 99. Subsection 91.106.4.4.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.4.1. General. The regulations concerning the expiration, suspension and revocation of permits are enumerated in Division 6, Article 8, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 100. Subsection 91.106.4.4.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.4.2. Making False Statements to the Department. Any person who willfully or knowingly, with the intent to deceive, makes a false statement or representation, or knowingly fails to disclose a material fact in any documentation required by the Department shall be guilty of a misdemeanor.

Sec. 101. Subsection 91.106.4.4.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.4.3. Unfinished Buildings or Structures. Whenever the Department determines by inspection that work on any building or structure for which a permit has been issued and the work started thereon has been suspended for a period of 180 days or more, the owner of the property upon which such structure is located, or other person or agent in control of said property, upon receipt of notice in writing from the Department to do so, shall, within 90 days from the date of such written notice, obtain a new permit to complete the required work and diligently pursue the work to completion, or shall remove or demolish the building or structure within 180 days from the date of the written notice.

Sec. 102. Subsection 91.106.4.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.5. Permits for Historical and Cultural Buildings. The Department shall not issue a permit to demolish, alter or remove a building or structure of historical, archaeological or architectural consequence if such building or structure has been officially designated, or has been determined by state or federal action to be eligible for designation, on the National Register of Historic Places, or has been included on the City list of historic cultural monuments, without the Department having first determined whether the demolition, alteration or removal may result in the loss of or serious damage to a significant historical or cultural asset. If the Department determines that such loss or damage may or occur, the applicant shall file an application and pay all fees for the California Environmental Quality Act Initial Study and Check List, as specified in LAMC Section 19.05. If the Initial Study and Check List identify the historical or cultural asset as significant, the permit shall not be issued without the Department first finding that specific economic, social or other considerations make infeasible the preservation of the building or structure.

Sec. 103. Subsection 91.106.4.5.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.5.1. Notification of Demolition. The Department shall not issue a building permit for demolition of a building or structure for which the original building permit was issued more than 45 years prior to the date of submittal of the application for demolition pre-inspection, or where information submitted with the application indicates that the building or structure is more than 45 years old based on the date the application is submitted, without having first done the following at least 30 days prior to issuance of the demolition of building or structure permit:

1. The Department shall send written notices of the demolition pre-inspection application by U.S. mail to the abutting property owners and the Council District Office of the site for which a demolition pre-inspection has been proposed for a building or structure.

2. The applicant shall post, in a conspicuous place near the entrance of the property where demolition will occur, a public notice of the application for demolition pre-inspection.

Sec. 104. Subsection 91.106.4.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.5.2. The applicant seeking the permit shall provide the Department with the names and addresses of all persons entitled to receive notice pursuant to LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.5.1.

Sec. 105. Subsection 91.106.4.5.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.5.3. The Department shall collect a fee in the amount of \$60.00 when an application for the demolition of a building or structure described in LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.5.1 is filed with the Department. This fee shall be charged in addition to applicable pre-inspection fees set forth at LAMC Subsection 91.107.3.2.

Sec. 106. Subsection 91.106.4.5.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.5.4. LAMC Subsections 91.106.4.5.1, 91.106.4.5.2 and 91.106.4.5.3 shall not apply to a building or structure as described in LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.5.1 that is the subject of a pending zoning application for a specific plan filed prior to the effective date of this ordinance. In the event a specific plan for such property is not approved within 3 years from the effective date of this ordinance, such property shall be required to comply with the provisions of LAMC Subsections 91.106.4.5.1, 91.106.4.5.2 and 91.106.4.5.3. Insofar as the provisions of LAMC Subsections 91.106.4.5.1, 91.106.4.5.2, and 91.106.4.5.3 are different than or in conflict with the provisions of a specific plan, the provisions of the specific plan shall govern.

Sec. 107. Subsection 91.106.4.5.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.5.5. LAMC Subsections 91.106.4.5.1, 91.106.4.5.2 and 91.106.4.5.3 shall not apply to a building or structure as described in LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.5.1 that will be demolished as part of a project that was subject to California Environmental Quality Act review and for which the corresponding discretionary project approval was issued prior to submittal of the application for demolition pre-inspection.

Sec. 108. Subsection 91.106.4.6.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.6.1. In any area designated as a hillside grading area, the Department shall not issue (1) a building permit for construction of a building with over 500 square feet (46 m²) of floor area, or (2) a building permit for any addition to an existing building which adds over 500 square feet (46 m²) of floor area, or (3) a grading permit for the grading of more than 1,000 cubic yards (75.5 m³) of earth materials without having first done the following at least 10 days prior to issuance of the building or grading permit:

1. The Department shall send written notices of the permit application, by mail, to the owners of all property abutting the property at which the construction or grading will occur. Notices shall also be sent to the owners of all property across the street or alley when such property is intersected by a projection of the lot lines of the property at which the construction or grading will occur; and

2. The Department shall post a notice of the permit application on the property at which the construction or grading will occur.

Sec. 109. Subsection 91.106.4.6.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.6.2. The applicant seeking the permit shall provide the Department with the names and addresses of all persons entitled to receive notice pursuant to LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.6.1.

Sec. 110. Subsection 91.106.4.6.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.6.3. The Department shall collect a fee in the amount of \$60.00 when an application for a building or grading permit described in LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.6.1 is filed with the Department.

Sec. 111. The first sentence of Subsection 91.106.4.7.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Subject to the provisions of LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.7.2, no building or structure shall be erected or enlarged, and no building permit issued therefor, on any lot, any part of which is within 100 feet (30.48 m) of the straight projection of the intersection of the building lines of a corner lot of the block within which subject lot fronts, unless the applicant agrees in writing, and submits the necessary surety in the form of a bond or sash deposit, to construct a corner curb ramp at such corner and in addition, if such lot is within 100 feet (30.48 m) of two such intersections to construct corner curb ramps at each of the two adjacent corners at both intersections, for a total of two ramps.

Sec. 112. The last sentence of the first unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.106.4.7.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Such improvements procedure shall, in all respects be in compliance with LAMC Section 12.37D.

Sec. 113. Subdivisions 2 and 3 of Subsection 91.106.4.7.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

2. A building or structure or addition of less than 500 square feet (46 m²) in gross floor area or when such building, stricture or addition thereto contains a restaurant or fast food restaurant of less than 200 square feet (18.58 m²) in gross floor area.

3. Where sidewalks are neither currently installed nor required by the City as a condition of development, at either the location of the proposed development or the location of the otherwise proposed curb ramp.

Sec. 114. Subsection 91.106.4.7.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.106.4.7.2. It is determined that the requirements of LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.7.1 shall be imposed as a condition to the erection of any structure or addition thereto wherein handicapped access is otherwise required.

Sec. 115. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.107.1.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The fees in this Code shall be reviewed annually by the Superintendent of Building. Beginning on July 1, 2010, and thereafter on July 1, of every year, the amount of each fee in this Code shall be adjusted as follows: Calculate the percentage movement between July of the previous year and July of the current year in the Consumer Price Index – All Urban Consumers in the Los Angeles area, as published by the United States Government Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Sec. 116. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Unless otherwise required below, the amount of the permit fee shall be as shown in Table 1-A of this Code for the total value of all construction work for which the building permit is issued, including all painting, papering, roofing, electrical work, plumbing, permanent or fixed heating equipment and any other permanent portions or permanent equipment except as provided in LAMC Section 91.106.

Sec. 117. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.107.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

A combined building-mechanical permit shall be issued, provided a fee is paid. The permit fee shall be as determined by using Table 1-A.1 of this division.

Sec. 118. Subdivision 3 of Subsection 91.107.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3. A pool accessory to a one- or two-family dwelling, except pools that are exempt from a building permit but may require a permit for electrical, plumbing and hearing work, a combined building-mechanical permit shall be issued provided a fee is paid. The fee shall be 75 percent of the fee determined from Table 1-A of this division.

Sec. 119. The third and fourth sentences of Subsection 91.107.2.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The amount of the permit fee shall be equal to 3.50 percent of the total value of all construction or work, as determined by the Department, for which the building permit is issued, but in no event shall the permit fee be less than the minimum inspection fee as specified in LAMC Section 98.0412(a) and Footnote 4 of Table 1-A of this division. The sign building permit shall be subject to the surcharge specified in Footnote 1 of Table 1-A of this division.

Sec. 120. Subsection 91.107.2.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.2.4. Grading Permit. Before issuing any grading permit, the Department shall collect a permit fee, the amount of which shall be as shown in Table 1-D of this division.

Sec. 121. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.2.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The permit fee for construction work which the Department determines is necessary to satisfy the requirements contained in LAMC Section 91.9108 shall be based on the entire floor area of the building requiring any strengthening work.

Sec. 122. Subsection 91.107.2.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.2.6. Permit Issuing Fee When Plan Check Is Not Required. See LAMC Section 98.0415.

Sec. 123. Subsection 91.107.2.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.2.7. Certificate of Occupancy for Use of Land Permit. A fee of \$150.00 shall be charged for each Certificate of Occupancy for use of land; however, no fee shall be charged when a Certificate of Occupancy is being issued pursuant to LAMC Section 91.109 or when any work which requires a building permit is done.

Sec. 124. Subsection 91.107.2.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.2.8. Awning Installation Permit. Every awning erected and arranged so that temporary shelter may be provided over any portion of a public way shall be subject to an installation fee equal to the minimum inspection fee specified in LAMC Section 98.0412 (a).

Sec. 125. Subsection 91.107.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.3. Plan Check and Pre-inspection Fees.

Sec. 126. The second sentence of Subsection 91.107.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Plan checking shall expire if a permit is not secured within the time limits specified in LAMC Section 98.0603.

Sec. 127. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.3.1.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Unless otherwise required below, the plan check fee for buildings, structures or portions thereof shall be equal to 90 percent of the building permit fee as shown in Table 1-A of this division.

Sec. 128. Subsection 91.107.3.1.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.3.1.2. Signs and Sign Support Structures. The plan check fee for signs and/or sign support structures shall be equal to 50 percent of the building permit fee as indicated in LAMC Subsection 91.107.2.3.

Sec. 129. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.3.1.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The plan check fee for grading plans shall be 90 percent of the grading permit fee as indicated by LAMC Subsection 91.107.2.4.

Sec. 130. Subsection 91.107.3.1.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.3.1.4. Hourly Plan Check Fee. The Department may collect a plan check fee as specified in LAMC Section 98.0415(e) for any time not included in the original plan check fee and this fee shall be in addition to other fees specified in this Code.

Sec. 131. Subsection 91.107.3.1.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.3.1.5. Tilt-Up Concrete Wall Buildings. The plan check fee for construction pursuant to the requirements of the Earthquake Hazard Reduction in Existing Tilt-up Concrete Wall Buildings contained in Division 91 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC shall be equal to the building permit fee as specified in LAMC Subsection 91.107.2.5.

Sec. 132. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.107.3.1.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

No additional fee shall be charged for verification of the corrections required by the Department or other departments. However, when the applicant revises plans for other than plan check correction and additional plan check time is required to review the plan revisions; the Department shall collect a supplemental plan check fee as specified in LAMC Subsection 91.107.3.1.4.

Sec. 133. The fourth sentence of Subsection 91.107.3.1.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The plan checking fee in the case of a building permit shall be based on an hourly rate as specified in LAMC Subsection 91.107.3.1.4 and the plan check fee for a grading permit shall be as specified in LAMC Subsection 91.107.3.1.3 for the number of cubic yards replaced, removed or omitted that were not previously approved.

Sec. 134. The last sentence of Subsection 91.107.3.1.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The plan checking fee shall be based on the same valuation as specified for the permit in LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.4.

Sec. 135. Subsection 91.107.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.3.2. Pre-Inspection Fees. The Department shall collect a fee of \$121.00 for each of the following:

1. **Grading Pre-Inspection.** A grading pre-inspection fee shall be collected for any building permit application involving work in the hillside grading area and for all grading plans submitted to the Department.

EXCEPTION: The grading pre-inspection fee may be waived when the Department determines that the nature of the work does not require pre-inspection of the work site.

2. **Sign Pre-Inspection.** A sign pre-inspection fee shall be collected when a permit application is filed for construction, replacement, alteration or repair of a sign.

EXCEPTION: The sign pre-inspection fee may be waived when the Department determines that the nature of the sign does not require pre-inspection of the proposed location to determine compliance with applicable requirements.

3. **Demolition Pre-Inspection.** A demolition pre-inspection fee shall be collected for all proposed demolition of buildings (including accessory buildings) or structures on a site and shall be conducted before the issuance of a demolition permit.

EXCEPTION: The demolition pre-inspection and demolition pre-inspection fee may be waived when the Department determines that previous inspections associated with the Department's abatement programs have been made.

4. **Pre-inspection.** Pre-inspection fee shall be collected whenever the Department determines that due to the nature of the work involved, an inspection is necessary.

Sec. 136. Subsection 91.107.3.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.3.3. Fees for Off-hour Plan Check. Upon request of an applicant and acceptance by the Department, an off-hour plan check fee per LAMC Section 98.0422 may be collected.

Sec. 137. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.4.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Before issuing a building permit, the Department shall collect a fee for maintaining building plans which are required to be retained by LAMC Subsection 91.106.4.2.

Sec. 138. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.4.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The permit fee for the installation of devices for which a permit is required by LAMC Subsection 91.6304.3 shall be \$25.00 for each affected dwelling unit, efficiency dwelling unit, light housekeeping room or guest room in a residential building.

Sec. 139. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.4.6.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Department shall collect an arts fee in the following amount:

Sec. 140. The first sentence of the second unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.107.4.6.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In no event shall the required arts fee exceed either \$1.57 per gross square foot of any structure authorized by the permit or one percent of the valuation of the project designated on the permit, whichever is lower, as determined by the Department.

Sec. 141. The last sentence of the second unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.107.4.6.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The revised amount shall be submitted to City Council for adoption by ordinance.

Sec. 142. Subsection 91.107.4.6.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.4.6.3. Time of Collection. Exception as provided in LAMC Subsection 91.107.4.6, the Department shall collect an arts fee before issuance of a building permit for commercial and industrial buildings required by this Code.

Sec. 143. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.4.6.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The arts fee required by LAMC Subsection 91.107.4.6 shall not be assessed for the following projects or portions thereof:

Sec. 144. Subdivisions 3, 4 and 5 of Subsection 91.107.4.6.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

3. The repair, renovation or rehabilitation of a building or structure for the installation of fire sprinklers pursuant to Division 9 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

4. The repair, renovation or rehabilitation of a building or structure that has been made to comply with Division 88 (Earthquake Hazard Reduction in Existing Buildings) of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC subsequent to a citation of noncompliance with Division 88 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

5. The repair renovation or rehabilitation of a building or structure for any handicapped facilities pursuant to this Code.

Sec. 145. The title and first sentence of Subsection 91.107.4.6.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

91.107.4.6.5. Use of Arts Fees Acquired Pursuant to Subsection 91.107.4.6. Any arts fee collected by the Department shall be deposited in the Arts Development Fee Trust Fund.

Sec. 146. The first sentence of the second unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.107.4.6.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

By enacting LAMC Subsection 91.107.4.6 (previously Subsection 91.0304(b) (11)), the City has adopted the Arts Development Fee referred to by Ordinance 164,243.

Sec. 147. The last sentence of the second unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.107.4.6.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

All exception listed in LAMC Subsection 91.107.4.6.4 shall apply to owners of development projects subject to Ordinance 164,243.

Sec. 148. The third sentence of the third unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.107.4.6.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Persons indebted to the City for Arts Development Fees may, upon approval by the Office of Finance, enter into an agreement with the City to pay such fees in installments over a period not to exceed one year.

Sec. 149. Paragraphs 1 and 2 of the Exception to Subsection 91.107.4.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

1. Any project for which a building permit is issued with less than 40,000 square feet (3716 m²) of new floor area as determined by the Department;

2. Any project located within the boundaries of an enterprise zone designated in LAMC Section 12.04;

Sec. 150. Paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Exception to Subsection 91.107.4.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

4. Any project or portion of a project for industrial, warehouse development or parking structures as defined by the LAMC and determined by the Department;

5. Any project within a current neighborhood Community Redevelopment Agency project area as defined in LAMC Section 12.04 other than the Bunker Hill, Central Business District and Little Tokyo redevelopment areas;

Sec. 151. The first sentence of Paragraph 6 of the Exception to Subsection 91.107.4.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Any development project where one or more of the following discretionary approvals, initiated by application of the property owner or their representatives, was granted by a government agency between January 1, 1986 and October 1, 1989 and remains valid: zone change, conditional use permit, variance, height district change, zone boundary adjustment, specific plan exception, project permit pursuant to a moratorium ordinance, development agreement, coastal development permit, commercial corner development, project permit pursuant to an interim control ordinance, parcel map, tract map or vesting tentative tract map.

Sec. 152. Paragraph 10 of the Exception to Subsection 91.107.4.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

10. Any project located within the boundaries of the Central City West Specific Plan Area, as defined in Ordinance No. 163,094, if the developer or project owner agrees by covenant and agreement or development agreement to abide by the linkage fee and replacement housing obligations set forth in the Specific Plan for the Central City West Specific Plan Area.

Sec. 153. The last sentence of last unnumbered paragraph of Paragraph 11 of the Exception of Subsection 91.107.4.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Department shall determine which exceptions apply to any project based on documentation submitted by the applicant prior to the issuance of the building permit.

Sec. 154. The last sentence of Subsection 91.107.5.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

For investigation fees of work done without a valid building permit, see LAMC Section 98.0402.

Sec. 155. Subsection 91.107.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.5.2. Other Fees. The Department shall have the authority to collect a fee to cover any additional costs incurred by the Department in obtaining code compliance or issuing a permit for work that was done prior to obtaining the required permit. This fee shall be in addition to any other fees required by the LAMC. The Superintendent of Building shall prepare a fee schedule for this purpose for adoption by ordinance. The fee schedule for inspections shall be those fees referenced in LAMC Section 98.0412.

Sec. 156. Subsection 91.107.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.6. Refund of Fees. See LAMC Section 98.0420.

Sec. 157. The first sentence of Subsection 91.107.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Department shall charge a \$20.00 fee for the processing of each Security Bar Certificate of Compliance.

Sec. 158. The last sentence of Subsection 91.107.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Certified security bar installers shall file Security Bar Certificates of Compliance in accordance with provisions of LAMC Subsection 91.108.12.1.

Sec. 159. Subsection 91.107.8.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.107.8.1. Soils Engineering, Foundation Investigation, Geology and Seismology Report. A fee shall be charged for the processing of each soil, foundation investigation, geology, or seismology report and the amount of the fee shall be determined from Table 1-C of this division.

Sec. 160. Subsection 91.108.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.108.1. General. All construction or work for which a permit is required shall be subject to inspection by authorized employees of the Department, and certain types of construction shall have continuous inspection by Registered Deputy Inspectors as specified in LAMC Section 91.1704. Prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy as specified in LAMC Section 91.109, a final inspection shall be made by the Department of all construction or work for which a permit has been issued.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. When a permit is obtained for reroofing in compliance with LAMC Section 91.1510, the Department may waive inspections provided the following persons certify that the materials used comply with LAMC Section 91.1510 and work is performed by:

A. A licensed contractor, or

B. The owner of the property who either did the work or used employees of the owner to do the work pursuant to California Business and Professions Code Section 7044.

2. When a permit is obtained for any work performed by certified licensed contractors complying with the requirements of LAMC Subsection 91.108.12.

Sec. 161. The first sentence of Subsection 91.108.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

With each permit issued, the Department shall furnish a card to the applicant showing the location and nature of the work to be done and the number of the permit.

Sec. 162. The second and third sentences of Subsection 91.108.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Superintendent of Building, upon notification, shall make the requested inspections and shall either indicate the inspected portion of the construction is satisfactory as completed or shall notify the permit holder or an agent of the permit holder when construction inspected fails to comply with this Code. Any portions which do not comply shall be corrected and such portion shall not be covered or concealed until authorized by the Superintendent of Building.

Sec. 163. The first and second sentences following the Subdivisions within Subsection 91.108.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The permittee or the permittee's agent shall notify the Department on the day prior to the day on which inspection is desired.

The Department shall approve that portion of the work inspected or notify the responsible person if the work fails to comply with the law.

Sec. 164. Subsection 91.108.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.108.6. Other Inspections. In addition to the called inspections specified above, the Department may make any other inspections of any construction work to ascertain compliance with the provisions of this Code and other laws which the Department enforces.

Sec. 165. Subsection 91.108.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.108.7. Reinspections. Fees for additional inspections shall be assessed in accordance with LAMC Section 98.0412.

Sec. 166. Subdivisions 3 and 4 of Subsection 91.108.9 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

3. **Excavation inspection.** After the excavation is started, but before the vertical depth of the excavation exceeds 10 feet (3048 mm).

4. **Fill inspection.** After the fill emplacement is started, but before the vertical height of the lifts exceeds 10 feet (3048 mm).

Sec. 167. The last sentence of Subsection 91.108.9 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Department shall approve the work inspected or notify the permittee or owner when the work fails to comply with the law. Any portion of the work that does not comply with the law shall be corrected.

Sec. 168. Subsection 91.108.11 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.108.11. Approved Fabricators. The inspections provided for in this section shall not be required for construction or installations work done on the premises of a Type II fabricator to whom an approval has been issued pursuant to the provisions of Division C of Article 6, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 169. The first sentence of Subsection 91.108.12.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In lieu of the inspections made by employees of the Department, as specified in LAMC Section 91.108, a certified licensed contractor, employed by the owner, upon notification to the Department prior to the commencement of work may install, inspect and certify the following work as being performed in compliance with the provisions of the LAMC for a detached single-family dwelling:

Sec. 170. Subdivision 5 of Subsection 91.108.12.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

5. The replacement of defective domestic water piping within a dwelling, with piping of equivalent size and quality when the installation does not exceed 50 feet (15.24 m) in length.

Sec. 171. Subdivision 10 of Subsection 91.108.12.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

10. The installation or replacement of masonry and concrete fences not exceeding 6 feet (1828.8 mm) in height.

Sec. 172. Subsection 91.108.12.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

91.108.12.2. The employment of a certified licensed contractor by the owner on any work shall not prohibit the Department from performing inspections of any work described in LAMC Subsection 91.108.12.1. The Superintendent of Building may delegate the inspections required by LAMC Subsection 91.108.5 to a certified licensed contractor.

Sec. 173. Subdivisions 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Subsection 91.108.12.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

1. The certified licensed contractor has a valid Certificate of Registration obtained in accordance with LAMC Section 91.1705.

2. The certified licensed contractor has filed with the Department a Certificate of Compliance for each installation.

The Certificate of Compliance shall be on a form provided by the Department and shall be signed by the property owner and the certified licensed contractor. The Department may require that the certified licensed contractor affix a certification label obtained from the Department on certain types of installations to identify the work certified;

The Certificate of Compliance shall describe the work performed and state that the certified licensed contractor warrants, from personal knowledge, that the materials installed and the work performed are in compliance with approved manufacturer's instructions, specifications and applicable requirements of the LAMC.

For the work described in Subdivisions 1, 2 and 3 of LAMC Subsection 91.108.12.1, the phrase "**personal knowledge**" as used in the Certificate of Compliance means that the certified licensed contractor has actual personal knowledge of the facts certified to, or knowledge acquired from an employee of the certified

licensed contractor, which employee provided continuous observation of the work or installation out the site in all stages of its progress.

For work set forth in Subdivisions 4, 5 and 6 of LAMC Subsection 91.108.12.1, the phrase “**personal knowledge**” means the certified licensed contractor has actual personal knowledge or knowledge acquired from another certified licensed contractor or a qualified installer.

3. The Certificate of Compliance processing fee has been paid in accordance with LAMC Section 98.0417.

4. The certified licensed contractor has filed the application for a Certificate of Compliance with the Department within 15 days after completion of the installation.

The certified licensed contractor has submitted a report to the Department describing the work the certified licensed contractor performed and declaring that the work complies with all applicable provisions of the LAMC. The report shall be made on forms supplied by the Department and shall be filed in the records of the Department.

Sec. 174. The last sentence of the third unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.108.12.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The certified licensed contractor shall report all violations of this Code which have occurred relating to the construction work to the Superintendent of Building, and such other information relating to the installation work as requested by the Superintendent of Building.

Sec. 175. Subsection 91.109.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.109.2. Change of Occupancy. See Division 82 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 176. The first sentence of Subsection 91.109.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

When required by LAMC Subsection 91.109.1, after the receipt and approval of the final inspection report from each of the divisions of the Department, and after the City Engineer has reported that all required public improvements have been completed, the Superintendent of Building shall issue a Certificate of Occupancy, without charge, to the owner of the building.

Sec. 177. Subdivisions 6, 7 and 8 of Subsection 91.109.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

6. A statement that the described portion of the building complies with the construction requirements of the LAMC for the group of occupancies in which the proposed occupancy is classified.

7. A statement that establishes relevant requirements of Chapter I of the LAMC.

8. The signature of the Superintendent of Building or an authorized representative of the Superintendent of Building.

Sec. 178. Subsection 91.109.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.109.5. Temporary Certificates. Notwithstanding the provisions of LAMC Subsection 91.109.4, if the Superintendent of Building finds that no substantial hazard will result from the occupancy of any building, or portion thereof, before the same is completed, and satisfactory evidence is submitted that the work could not have been completed prior to the time such occupancy is desired because of its magnitude or because of unusual construction difficulties, and the City Engineer has reported that all required public improvements have been completed, the Superintendent of Building may issue a temporary Certificate of Occupancy for any building or portion thereof. The Superintendent of Building may issue a temporary Certificate of Occupancy notwithstanding the fact that all required public improvements have not been completed, if the Superintendent of Building finds that the failure to complete the public improvements was due to circumstances over which the person applying for the Certificate of Occupancy had no control.

In addition, the Superintendent of Building may issue a temporary Certificate of Occupancy for an existing building, or portion thereof, provided no substantial hazard will result and satisfactory evidence is submitted justifying the need for such temporary occupancy. The Department shall collect an issuance fee for each temporary Certificate of Occupancy. The amount of the fee shall be \$453.00 plus an additional fee as shown in Table 1-B of this division.

A temporary Certificate of Occupancy shall be valid for a period not to exceed six months. The Department may issue additional temporary Certificates of Occupancy. After the expiration of a temporary Certificate of Occupancy, the Department shall require a Certificate of Occupancy in accordance with other provisions of this section. Duplicates of the certificate or temporary certificate may be secured upon the payment of the duplication fee required by ordinance.

Sec. 179. The first sentence of Subsection 91.109.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Notwithstanding the provisions of LAMC Subsection 91.109.4, whenever public improvements are required in connection with the replacement or restoration of a building destroyed or damaged during the local emergency declared by the Mayor in April, 1972, the completion of those public improvements may be deferred until June 1, 1995, and a temporary Certificate of Occupancy may issue for the new or restored building or a portion thereof prior to the completion of the public improvements.

Sec. 180. The third sentence of Subsection 91.109.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

LAMC Subsection 91.109.7 does not affect any requirement of a bond or other security to warrant the proper completion of the required public improvements.

Sec. 181. The first sentence of Subsection 91.111.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Superintendent of Building shall determine what changes in this Code are necessary to more adequately protect the public health, safety and welfare, based on studies of the following:

Sec. 182. Subdivision 1 of Subsection 91.111.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

1. Schedules of requests for deviation from the provisions of this Code and for approval of materials and methods of construction;

Sec. 183. Subdivision 3 of Subsection 91.111.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3. Schedules of convictions and non-convictions, and the reasons for non-convictions, by the City Attorney's office;

Sec. 184. Subsection 91.111.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.111.2. Upon request, the Board shall consult with and provide advice to the Superintendent of Building on any matter relating to proposed changes of this Code.

Sec. 185. The title to the first table contained in Section 91.113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**TABLE 1-A
PERMIT FEES**

Sec. 186. Footnote 4 to Table 1-A of Section 91.113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

⁴ The minimum permit fee for projects that require more than one inspection shall be double the minimum inspection fee specified in LAMC Section 98.0412(a).

Sec. 187. The title to the second table contained in Section 91.113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**TABLE 1-A.1
COMBINED PERMIT FEES**

Sec. 188. The title to the third table contained in Section 91.113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**TABLE 1-B
TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY ADDITIONAL FEES**

Sec. 189. The title to the fourth table contained in Section 91.113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**TABLE 1-C
REPORT FEES ^{a, b, c, d, e}**

Sec. 190. Footnote d to the fourth table contained in Section 91.113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

d. Additional fees for division of land review shall be collected as required by LAMC Subsection 91.107.8.2.

Sec. 191. The title to the fifth table contained in Section 91.113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**TABLE 1-D
GRADING PERMIT FEES**

Sec. 192. Section 91.202 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.202. DEFINITIONS.

Section 202 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except that the following CBC definitions are not adopted:

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The following definitions are also adopted:

APPROVED AGENCY or APPROVED TESTING AGENCY. An established and recognized agency regularly engaged in conducting tests or furnishing inspection services which have been approved.

APPROVED FABRICATOR. An established and qualified person, firm or corporation approved by the Superintendent of Building pursuant to Division 17 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code and LAM Sections 96.200 et al.

BOARD. The Board of Building and Safety Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles.

BUILDING CODE (CODE). The Los Angeles City Building Code, Article 1 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

BUILDING LINE. Any private property line coterminous with a public way; or a building line established by City ordinance.

BUILDING OFFICIAL. The Superintendent of Building for the City of Los Angeles, Department of Building and Safety.

CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE (CBC). Part 2, Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations as adopted by the California Building Standards Commission and published as the 2013 Edition of the California Building Code which in part incorporates by adoption the 2012 Edition of the International Building Code.

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. The Fire Chief of the Los Angeles Fire Department or a duly authorized representative.

CITY. The City of Los Angeles, California.

DEPARTMENT. The Department of Building and Safety.

ELECTRICAL CODE. The Los Angeles City Electrical Code, Article 3 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

ELEVATOR CODE. The Los Angeles City Elevator Code, Article 2 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

FIRE CODE. The Los Angeles City Fire Code, Article 7 of Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

FIRE DISTRICT. Any portion of the City of Los Angeles as described in Division 72, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

FOUNDATION-ONLY PERMIT. A building permit issued for that portion of a building, which constitutes the footings for the building and which, subject to the approval of the Department, may include those portions of the building below the grade level.

GRADING. Soil excavation or fill or any combination of soil excavation or fill and shall include the conditions resulting from any soil excavation or fill.

GRAFFITI. Any form of unauthorized inscription, word, figure or design which is marked, etched, scratched, drawn, sprayed, painted or otherwise affixed to or on any surfaced or public or private property, including, but not limited to buildings, walls, signs, structures or places, or other surfaces, regardless of the nature of the material of that structural component.

INDUSTRIAL CATERING TRUCK. A motor vehicle used for the purpose of dispensing and selling liquids from sanitary dispensers and/or ready-to-eat food and beverages that have been prepared and sealed or packaged on premises so long as the owner and operator have a valid health permit authorizing the preparation of food.

MECHANICAL CODE. The Los Angeles City Mechanical Code, Article 5 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

OCCUPANCY. The purpose for which a building, or part of a building, is used or intended to be used. The term "Occupancy" as used in this Code shall include the room housing that occupancy and the space immediately above a roof or structure if used or intended to be used for other than a shelter.

PLUMBING CODE. The Los Angeles City Plumbing Code, Article 4, of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

REGISTERED DESIGN PROFESSIONAL. A licensed architect or engineer registered with the appropriate California State licensing board.

SUPERINTENDENT OF BUILDING. The General Manager of the Department of Building and Safety of the City of Los Angeles or a duly authorized representative.

TEMPORARY. Buildings and facilities intended for use at one location for not more than 120 days and seats intended for use at one location for not more than 90 days.

VERY HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE (VHFHSZ). A Fire District in the City of Los Angeles established by the Board of Forestry and the Office of the State Fire

Marshal and described in Division 72, Article 1 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code.

Sec. 193. Section 91.400 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.400. BASIC PROVISIONS.

Chapter 4 of the CBC is hereby adopted by reference.

Sec. 194. Section 91.703 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.703. FIRE-RESISTANCE RATINGS AND FIRE TESTS.

Section 703 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except that Section 703.3 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.703.3 is added.

Sec. 195. Subdivision 2 of Subsection 91.703.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2. Prescriptive designs of fire-resistance-rated building elements, component or assemblies as prescribed in CBC Section 721.

Sec. 196. Subdivision 5 of Subsection 91.703.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

5. Alternative construction methods as allowed by Subsection 91.104.2.6.

Sec. 197. Section 91.909 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.909. SMOKE CONTROL SYSTEMS.

Section 909 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 909.3 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.909.3 is added.

Sec. 198. The first unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.909.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

91.909.3. Special Inspection and Test Requirements. In addition to the ordinary inspection and test requirements, which buildings, structures and parts of buildings and structures are required to undergo, smoke control systems subject to the provisions of LAMC Section 91.909 shall undergo special inspections and tests sufficient to verify the proper commissioning of the smoke control design in its final installed condition. The design submission accompanying the construction documents shall clearly detail

procedures and methods to be used and the items subject to the inspections and tests. The commissioning shall be in accordance with generally accepted practice and, where possible, based on published standards for the particular testing involved. The special inspections and tests required by this section shall be in compliance with LAMC Section 91.1704.

Sec. 199. The first sentence of Subsection 91.909.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy, all of the smoke-control systems shall be tested as required by the Department and the Fire Department and shall show compliance with the minimum standards of both Departments.

Sec. 200. The first sentence of Subsection 91.909.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

After occupancy of the building, all operating parts of the smoke-control systems shall be retested every six months in accordance with the retest requirements established by the Department and the Fire Department.

Sec. 201. Section 91.1100 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1100. BASIC PROVISIONS.

Chapter 11-A and 11-B of the CBC are hereby adopted by reference.

Sec. 202. Subsection 91.1207.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1207.2. Definitions. The following special definitions shall apply to this section:

SOUND TRANSMISSION CLASS (STC). A single-number rating used to compare walls, floor-ceiling assemblies and doors for their sound-insulating properties with respect to speech and small household appliance noise. The STC is derived from laboratory measurements of sound transmission loss across a series of 16 test bands. Laboratory STC ratings should be used to the greatest extent possible in determining that the design complies with this section.

FIELD SOUND TRANSMISSION CLASS (FSTC). A single-number rating similar to STC, except that the transmission loss values used to derive the FSTC are measured in the field. All sound transmitted from the source room to the receiving room is assumed to be through the separating wall or floor-ceiling assembly. This section does not require determination of the FSTC, and field-measured values of noise reduction should not be reported as transmission loss.

IMPACT INSULATION CLASS (IIC). A single-number rating used to compare the effectiveness of floor-ceiling assemblies in providing reduction of impact-generated sounds such as footsteps. The IIC is derived from laboratory measurements of impact sound pressure level across a series of 16 test bands using a standardized tapping machine. Laboratory IIC ratings should be used to the greatest extent possible in determining that the design complies with this section.

FIELD IMPACT INSULATION CLASS (FIIC). A single-number rating similar the IIC, except that the impact sound pressure levels are measured in the field.

NOISE ISOLATION CLASS (NIC). A single-number rating derived from measured values of noise reduction between two enclosed spaces that are connected by one or more paths. The NIC is not adjusted or normalized to the standard reverberation time.

NORMALIZED NOISE ISOLATION CLASS (NNIC). A single-number rating similar to the NIC, except that the measured noise reduction values are normalized to a reverberation time of one-half second.

NORMALIZED A-WEIGHTED SOUND LEVEL DIFFERENCE (Dn). For specified source room sound spectrum, Dn is the difference, in decibels, between the average sound levels produced in two rooms after adjustment to the expected acoustical conditions when the receiving room under test is normally furnished.

DAY-NIGHT AVERAGE SOUND LEVEL (Ldn). The A-weighted equivalent continuous sound exposure level for a 24-hour period with a 10 db adjustment added to sound levels occurring during nighttime hours (10 p.m. to 7 a.m.).

COMMUNITY NOISE EQUIVALENT LEVEL (CNEL). A metric similar to the Ldn, except that a 5 db adjustment is added to the equivalent continuous sound exposure level for evening hours (7 p.m. to 10 p.m.) in addition to the 10 db nighttime adjustment used in the Ldn.

Sec. 203. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.1207.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Where a complaint as to noncompliance with this division requires a field test, the complainant shall post a bond or adequate funds in escrow for the cost of the field test. Such costs shall be chargeable to the complainant if the field tests show compliance with this division.

Sec. 204. Subsection 91.1207.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1207.5. Local Modification. The governing body of any city or county or city and county may, by ordinance, adopt changes or modifications to the requirements of this section as set forth in California Health and Safety Code Section 17922.7.

Sec. 205. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1207.11.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

All structures identified in LAMC Subsection 91.1207.1 located in noise critical areas, such as proximity to highways, country roads, city streets, railroads, rapid transit lines, airports or industrial areas shall be designed to prevent the intrusion of exterior noises beyond prescribed levels.

Sec. 206. Subsection 91.1207.11.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1207.11.3. Airport Noise Sources. Residential structures and all other structures identified in LAMC Subsection 91.1207.1 located where the annual Ldn or CNEL (as defined in Title 21, Division 2.5, Chapter 6, Section 5001, California Code of Regulations) exceeds 60 db, shall require an acoustical analysis showing that the proposed design will achieve the prescribed allowable interior level.

EXCEPTION: New single family detached dwellings and all non-residential noise sensitive structures located outside the noise impact boundary of 65 db CNEL are exempt from LAMC Section 91.1207.

Alterations or additions to all noise sensitive structures, within the 65 db and greater CNEL shall comply with LAMC Section 91.1207. If the addition or alteration cost exceeds 75 % of the replacement cost of the existing structure, then the entire structure must comply with LAMC Section 91.1207.

For public-use airports or heliports, the Ldn or CNEL shall be determined from the Aircraft Noise Impact Area Map prepared by the Airport Authority. For military bases, the Ldn shall be determined from the facility Air Installation Compatible Use Zone (AICUZ) plan. For all other airports or heliports, or public-use airports or heliports for which a land-use plan has not been developed, the Ldn or CNEL shall be determined from the noise element of the general plan of the local jurisdiction.

When aircraft noise is not the only significant source, noise levels from all sources shall be added to determine the composite site noise level.

Sec. 207. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1207.11.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

All structures identified in LAMC Subsection 91.1207.1 located where the Ldn or CNEL exceeds 60 db shall require an acoustical analysis showing that the proposed design will limit exterior noise to the prescribed allowable interior level.

Sec. 208. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1207.12 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Evidence of compliance shall be submitted with the application for a building permit for all structures identified in LAMC Subsection 91.1207.1.

Sec. 209. Section 91.1403 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1403. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS.

Section 1403 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 1403.3 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.1403.3 is added.

Sec. 210. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1403.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Exterior walls, and the associated openings, shall be designed and constructed to resist safely the superimposed loads required by Division 16, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 211. Section 91.1405 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1405. INSTALLATION OF WALL COVERINGS.

Section 1405 of the CBC is adopted by reference.

Sec. 212. Section 91.1505 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1505. FIRE CLASSIFICATION.

Section 1505 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Sections 1505.1, 1505.6 and 1505.7 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.1505.1 is added.

Sec. 213. The Exception to Subsection 91.1505.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: Skylights and sloped glazing shall comply with Division 12, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 214. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1505.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

No wood shake or wood shingle roof covering is permitted anywhere in the City.

Sec. 215. Section 91.1507 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1507. REQUIREMENTS FOR ROOF COVERINGS.

Section 1507 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Sections 1507.3.1 and Table 1507.3.7 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.1507.3.1 and Table 1507.3.7 are added.

Sec. 216. Footnote a of Table 1507.3.7 following Subsection 91.1507.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

^a Minimum fastener size. Hot dipped galvanized ring shank or other corrosion-resistant nails not less than No. 11 gage with 5/16 inch (7.93 mm) head. Fasteners shall be long enough to penetrate into the sheathing .75 inch (19.05 mm) or through the thickness of the sheathing, whichever is less. Attaching wire for clay and concrete tile shall not be smaller than 0.083 inch (2.108 mm) and shall be copper, brass or stainless steel.

Sec. 217. Footnotes d and e of Table 1507.3.7 following Subsection 91.1507.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

^d Horizontal battens. Battens shall be not less than 1 inch by 2 inch (25.4 mm x 50.8 mm) nominal. Provisions shall be made for drainage by a minimum of 1/8 inch (3.17 mm) riser at each nail or by 4 foot (1219.2 mm) long battens with at least a 0.5 inch (12.7 mm) separation between battens. Horizontal battens are required for slopes over 7:12.

^e Perimeter fastening areas include three tile courses but not less than 36 inches (914.4 mm) from either side of hips or ridges and edges of eaves and gable rakes.

Sec. 218. Section 91.1510 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1510. REROOFING.

Section 1510 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Sections 1510.1, 1510.3 and 1510.4 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu, Subsections 91.1510.1, 91.1510.3 and 91.1510.4 are added.

Sec. 219. Subsection 91.1510.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

91.1510.1. General. Materials and methods of application used for recovering or replacing an existing roof covering shall comply with the requirements of Division 15, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

EXCEPTION: Reroofing shall not be required to meet the minimum design slope requirement of one-quarter unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (2% slope) set forth in LAMC Section 91.1507 for roofs that provide positive roof drainage.

Sec. 220. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1603.1.9 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Construction documents or specifications shall be prepared for those systems and components requiring special inspection for seismic resistance as specified in CBC Section 1705.11 by the registered design professional responsible for their design and shall be submitted for approval in accordance with LALMC Subsection 91.106.3.3.

Sec. 221. Section 91.1612 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1612. FLOOD LOADS.

Section 1612 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except CBC Section 1612.5 is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.1612.5 is added.

Sec. 222. Subdivision 2.2 of Subsection 91.1612.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2.2 Construction documents shall include a statement that the building is designed in accordance with ASCE 24, including that the pile or column foundation and building or structure to be attached is designed to be anchored to resist flotation, collapse and lateral movement due to the effects of wind and flood loads acting simultaneously on all building components, and other load requirements of CBC Chapter 16.

Sec. 223. Section 91.1613 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1613. EARTHQUAKE LOADS.

Section 1613 of the CBC is adopted by reference, and Subsections 91.1613.5.3 through 91.1613.9.10.5 are added or amended.

Sec. 224. Subsection 91.1613.5.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.5.4. General. The text of ASCE 7, Section 12.11.2.2.3 is modified to read as follows:

12.11.2.2.3. Wood Diaphragms. In wood diaphragms, the continuous ties shall be in addition to the diaphragm sheathing. Anchorage shall not be accomplished by use of tow nails or nails subject to withdrawal nor shall wood ledgers or framing be used in cross-grain bending or cross-grain tension. The diaphragm sheathing shall not be considered effective as providing ties or struts required by this Section.

For structures assigned to seismic Design Category D, E or F, wood diaphragms supporting concrete or masonry walls shall comply with the following:

1. The spacing of continuous ties shall not exceed 40 feet (12.19 m). Added chords of diaphragms may be used to form sub-diaphragms to transmit the anchorage forces to the main continuous crossties.
2. The maximum diaphragm shear used to determine the depth of the sub-diaphragms shall not exceed 75% of the maximum diaphragm shear.

Sec. 225. Subsection 91.1613.8.1.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.8.1.2.1. Bracing at Discontinuity. Where changes in the ceiling plane elevation or discontinuities in the ceiling grid system occur, positive bracing to the structure shall be provided.

Sec. 226. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1613.8.1.2.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

All sprinkler heads (drops) except fire-resistance rated floor/ceiling assemblies, shall be designed to allow for free movement of the sprinkler pipes with oversized rings, sleeves or adapters through the ceiling tile in accordance with ASCE 7 Section 13.5.6.2.2(e).

Sec. 227. Subsection 91.1613.8.1.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.8.1.3.2. Assembly Device. All lay-in panels shall be secured to the suspension ceiling assembly with a minimum of two hold-down clips for each tile within a 4 foot (1219 mm) radius of the exit lights and exit signs.

Sec. 228. Subsection 91.1613.9.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.9.1. Purpose. The purpose of this section is to establish minimum regulations for the design and construction of new buildings and additions to existing buildings when such buildings or additions exist on or into a slope steeper than 1 unit vertical in 3 units horizontal (33.3%). These regulations establish minimum standards for seismic force resistance to reduce the risk of injury or loss of life in the event of earthquake.

Sec. 229. Subsection 91.1613.9.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.9.3. Definitions. For the purpose of this division, certain terms are defined as follows:

BASE LEVEL DIAPHRAGM. The floor at, or closest to, the top of the highest level of the foundation.

DIAPHRAGM ANCHORS. Assemblies that connect a diaphragm to the adjacent foundation at the uphill diaphragm edge.

DOWNHILL DIRECTION. The descending direction of the slope approximately perpendicular to the slope contours.

FOUNDATION. Concrete or masonry, which supports a building, including footings, stem walls, retaining walls, and grade beams.

FOUNDATION EXTENDING IN THE DOWNHILL DIRECTION. A foundation running downhill and approximately perpendicular to the uphill foundation.

HILLSIDE BUILDING. Any building or portion thereof constructed on or into a slope steeper than one unit vertical in three units horizontal (33.3%). If only a portion of the building is supported on or into the slope, these regulations apply to the entire building.

PRIMARY ANCHORS. Diaphragm anchors designed for and providing a direct connection as described in LAMC Subsections 91.1613.9.5 and 91.1613.9.7.3 between the diaphragm and the uphill foundation.

SECONDARY ANCHORS. Diaphragm anchors designed for and providing a redundant diaphragm to foundation connection, as describe in LAMC Subsections 91.1613.9.6 and 91.1613.9.7.4.

UPHILL DIAPHRAGM EDGE. The edge of the diaphragm adjacent and closest to the highest ground level at the perimeter of the diaphragm.

UPHILL FOUNDATION. The foundation parallel and closest to the uphill diaphragm edge.

Sec. 230. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1613.9.4.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Every hillside building within the scope of this division shall be analyzed, designed and constructed in accordance with provisions of this division.

Sec. 231. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1613.9.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The spacing of primary anchors and diaphragm struts or collectors shall inno case exceed 30 feet (9144 m).

Sec. 232. Subsection 91.1613.9.5.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.9.5.3. Design of Primary Anchors and Diaphragm Struts. Primary anchors and diaphragm struts shall be designed in accordance with the requirements of LAMC Subsection 91.1613.9.8.

Sec. 233. The first sentence of the last unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.1613.9.5.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Braced frames designed in accordance with the requirements of CBC Section 2205.2.2 may be used to transfer forces from te primary anchors and diaphragm struts to the foundation provided lateral forces do not induce flexural stresses in any member of the frame or in the diaphragm struts.

Sec. 234. Subsection 91.1613.9.6.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.9.6.1. General. In addition to the primary anchors required by LAMC Subsection 91.1613.9.5, the base shear in the downhill direction shall be resisted through secondary anchors in the uphill foundation connected to diaphragm struts in the base level diaphragm.

EXCEPTION: Secondary anchors are not required where foundations extending in the downhill direction spaced at not more than 30 feet (9144 mm) on center extend up to and are directly connected to the base level diaphragm for at least 70% of the diaphragm depth.

Sec. 235. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1613.9.6.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The secondary anchors shall be uniformly distributed along the uphill diaphragm edge and shall be spaced a maximum of 4 feet (1219 mm) on center.

Sec. 236. Subsection 91.1613.9.7.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.9.7.3. Design Force Resistance – Primary Anchors. The design force described in LAMC Subsection 91.1613.9.7.2 shall be resisted through primary anchors from diaphragm struts provided in each diaphragm to the foundation. Primary anchors shall be provided and designed in accordance with the requirements and limitations of LAMC Subsection 91.1613.9.5.

Sec. 237. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1613.9.7.4.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The secondary anchors shall be uniformly distributed along the uphill diaphragm edge and shall be spaced a maximum of 4 feet (1219 mm) on center.

Sec. 238. Subdivision 3 of Subsection 91.1613.9.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3. **Size of Wood Members.** Wood diaphragm struts collectors, and other wood members connected to primary anchors shall not be less than 3 inches (76 mm) nominal width. The effects of eccentricity on wood members shall be evaluated as required per Subdivision 9.

Sec. 239. Subdivision 5 of Subsection 91.1613.9.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

5. **Allowable Stress Increase.** The allowable stress increase permitted under CBC Section 1605.3.2 shall not be taken when the working (allowable) stress design method is used.

Sec. 240. Subsection 91.1613.9.9.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1613.9.9.3. Vertical Distribution of Seismic Forces. For seismic forces acting normal to the downhill direction, the distribution of seismic forces over the height of the building using ASCE Section 12.8.3 shall be determined using the height measured from the top of the lowest level of the building foundation.

Sec. 241. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1613.9.9.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The following lateral-force-resisting elements shall not be designed to resist lateral forces below the base level diaphragm in the direction normal to the downhill direction:

Sec. 242. The first sentence of the last unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.1613.9.9.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Braced frames designed in accordance with the requirements of CBC Section 2205.2.2 may be designed as lateral-force-resisting elements in the direction normal to the downhill direction, provided lateral forces do not induce flexural stresses in any member of the frame.

Sec. 243. Section 91.1703 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1703. APPROVALS.

Section 1703 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Sections 1703.1, 1703.2, 1703.3, 1703.4, 1703.4.1, 1703.4.2, 1703.6, and 1703.6.2 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu Subsections 91.1703.1, 91.1703.2, 91.1703.3, 91.1703.4, 91.1703.4.1, 91.1703.4.2, 91.1703.6, and 91.1703.6.2 are added.

Sec. 244. Subsection 91.1703.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1703.1. Approved Agency. Pursuant to LAMC Section 98.0503, a testing agency shall provide all information required by the Superintendent of Building to determine whether the agency shall become an approved testing agency.

Sec. 245. Subsection 91.1703.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1703.2. Written Approval. Any new material, appliance, equipment, system or method of construction meeting the requirements of this Code shall be approved in writing after satisfactory completion of the required tests and submission of required test reports pursuant to LAMC Sections 98.0501 and 98.0502.

Sec. 246. Subsection 91.1703.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1703.4. Performance. Specific information consisting of test reports conducted by an approved testing agency in accordance with standards referenced in Division 35, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC, or other information as necessary, shall be provided for the Superintendent of Building to determine that the material meets the applicable Code requirements, including LAMC Sections 98.0501 and 98.0502.

Sec. 247. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1703.4.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The costs, reports and investigations required under these provisions shall be paid by the permit applicant as required by LAMC Sections 98.0501, 98.0502 and 98.0503.

Sec. 248. Subsection 91.1703.4.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1703.4.2. Research Reports. Supporting data, where necessary to assist in the approval of materials or assemblies not specifically provided for in this Code, shall consist of valid research reports from approved sources as required in LAMC Sections 98.0501 and 98.0502.

Sec. 249. Subsection 91.1703.6.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

91.1703.6.1. Follow-up Inspection. The applicant shall provide for special inspections of fabricated items in accordance with CBC Section 1704.2.5.

Sec. 250. Subsection 91.1704.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1704.2. Special Inspections. Where application is made for construction as described in this section, the owner or the registered design professional in responsible charge acting as the owner's agent shall employ one or more Registered Deputy Inspectors to preform inspections during construction on the types of work listed under CBC Section 1705. The Registered Deputy Inspector shall be a qualified person as set forth in LAMC Subsection 91.1704.2.1 and shall demonstrate competence to the

satisfaction of the Superintendent of Building for inspection of the particular type of construction or operation requiring special inspection. The Registered Deputy Inspector shall be approved by and shall be responsible, to the registered design professional in charge of the design of the structure.

The special inspections shall be in addition to the inspections made by the employees of the Department as set forth in LAMC Section 91.108.

All special inspections shall be made by a Registered Deputy Inspector. Whenever the term "Special Inspector" is used in this Code, it shall mean "Registered Deputy Inspector" as described in LAMC Subsection 91.1704.2.1.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. Special inspections are not required for construction of a minor nature or as warranted by conditions in the jurisdiction as approved by the Superintendent of Building.
2. Unless otherwise required by the Superintendent of Building, special inspections are not required for Group U occupancies that are accessory to a residential occupancy including, but not limited to. Those listed in CBC Section 312.1.
3. Special inspections are not required for portions of structures designed and constructed in accordance with the cold-formed steel light-frame construction provisions of CBC Section 2211.7 or the conventional light-frame construction provisions of CBC Section 2308.

Sec. 251. The third unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.1704.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

A committee appointed by the Superintendent of Building shall examine each applicant as to his or her experience and training for performing the duties of an inspector of the type for which application has been made. Additionally, the applicant will be examined on the applicant's knowledge of the LAMC and Registered Deputy Inspector duties, responsibilities and procedures. When satisfied as to the fitness of the applicant, the Superintendent of Building shall issue a Certificate of Registration. Upon application for renewal of a Certificate of Registration, the applicant shall be re-examined to ascertain the applicant's fitness to perform the duties of inspector of the type for which application has been made.

Sec. 252. The unnumbered paragraph following the Exception and the Exception to Subsection 91.1704.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: If the Department determines that the initial examination (which includes general knowledge, code requirements and plan comprehension) for the special inspector program under the International Code Council (ICC) is equivalent to the above-described initial or renewal examination, then the Department may accept the results of the ICC examination in lieu of the Department's examination in that category; however, the Department will be examining the applicant's knowledge of the LAMC and deputy inspector duties, responsibilities and procedures.

The Superintendent of Building shall issue a separate Certificate of Registration for each type of registration requiring special inspection in accordance with LAMC Sections 91.1704 and 91.1707 and as determined by the Superintendent of Building for any construction requiring either continuous or periodic special inspection.

Sec. 253. The last two unnumbered paragraphs of Subsection 91.1704.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Except where there is a City employee inspecting buildings or structures being erected or repaired by the City, no Registered Deputy Inspector shall receive any compensation from the City. A Registered Deputy Inspector shall undertake and perform the duties of inspection solely on the request of the owner or the owner's agent. The designation shall be deemed to indicate that the duties incident to the inspection are within the course and scope of the Registered Deputy Inspector's employment by the owner or agent, and except where the Registered Deputy Inspector is in fact an employee of the City, the Registered Deputy Inspector shall not be deemed an employee of the City, the contractor, a subcontractor or a material vendor for any purpose.

The registered design professional in responsible charge and engineers of record involved in the design of the project are permitted to act as the supervising agency and their personnel are permitted to act as the deputy inspector for the work designed by them, provided they qualify as Registered Deputy Inspectors.

Sec. 254. The last sentence of Subdivision 1 of Subsection 91.1704.2.1.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The report shall be made on forms supplied by the Department and shall be filed with the Department.

Sec. 255. Subdivision 2 of Subsection 91.1704.2.1.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2. Nothing here shall be deemed to authorize any Registered Deputy Inspector to approve any inspection required by this Code, other than the special inspection for which the Registered Deputy Inspector was hired and is of the type for which the Registered Deputy Inspector is registered.

Sec. 256. Subsection 91.1704.2.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1704.2.3. Statement of Special Inspections. The permit applicant shall submit a statement of special inspections in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.107.1. The statement of special inspections shall be prepared by the registered design professional in responsible charge as a condition for permit issuance. This statement shall be in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.1704.3.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. A statement of special inspections is not required for portions of structures designed and constructed in accordance with the cold-formed steel light-frame construction provisions of LAMC Subsection 91.2211.7 or the conventional light-frame construction provisions of LAMC Section 91.2308.

2. The statement of special inspections is permitted to be prepared by a qualified person approved by the Superintendent of Building for construction, not prepared by a registered design professional.

Sec. 257. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1704.2.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In addition to all the requirements of LAMC Subsection 91.1704.1.4, Registered Deputy Inspectors shall keep records of inspections.

Sec. 258. Subsection 91.1704.2.5.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1704.2.5.1. Fabrication and Implementation Procedures. The Registered Deputy Inspector shall verify that the fabricator maintains detailed fabrication and quality control procedures that provide a basis for inspection control of the workmanship and the fabricator's ability to conform to approved construction documents and referenced standards. The Registered Deputy Inspector shall review the procedures for completeness and adequacy relative to the Code requirements for the fabricator's scope of work.

EXCEPTION: Special inspections as required by CBC Section 1704.2.5 shall not be required where the fabricator is approved in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.1704.2.5.2.

Sec. 259. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1704.2.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Pursuant to LAMC Section 96.200, special inspections required by LAMC Section 91.1705 are not required where the work is done on the premises of a fabricator registered and approved to perform such work without special inspection.

Sec. 260. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1704.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where special inspection or testing is required by LAMC Section 91.1705, the registered design professional in responsible charge shall prepare a statement of special inspections in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.1704.3.1 for submittal by the applicant in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.1704.2.3.

Sec. 261. Subdivision 4 of Subsection 91.1704.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

4. Additional requirements for special inspection or testing for seismic or wind resistance as specified in CBC Sections 1705.10, 1705.11 and 1705.12.

Sec. 262. Subdivisions 2 and 3 of Subsection 91.1704.4.1.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

2. **Board of Examiners.** The Superintendent of Building and/or Board of Examiners composed of three qualified persons appointed by the Superintendent of Building shall conduct examinations. The results of every examination shall be subject to the approval of the Superintendent of Building. Each examiner shall serve at the pleasure of the Superintendent of Building and shall serve for a period of one year unless re-appointed by the Superintendent of Building.

3. **Scope of Examination.** The examination shall, in the judgment of the Superintendent of Building, fairly determine the ability of the applicant to properly perform the work, which he or she would be authorized to do by the Certificate of Registration requested, and may include the following:

- a. A written test.
- b. Practical tests as may be required.
- c. An oral interview as may be required.

d. Other tests as may be required by the Board of Examiners.

Sec. 263. The last sentence of Subdivision 1 of Subsection 91.1704.4.1.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Nothing here prohibits any person from being qualified for more than one type of certification, provided the person files an application, pays the required fees, takes the required examinations and is duly qualified by the Superintendent of Building for each type of certification.

Sec. 264. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1704.4.1.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Suspension or revocation of any Certificate of Registration issued under this Section shall be in accordance with the provisions of Article 8, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 265. The first and second sentences of Subsection 91.1704.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Where required by the provisions of LAMC Subsection 91.1704.5.1 or 91.1704.5.2, the owner shall employ the registered design professional in responsible charge for the structural design, or another registered design professional designated by the registered design professional in responsible charge for the structural design to perform structural observations as defined in CBC Section 1702.

Prior to the commencement of observations, the structural observer shall submit to the Superintendent of Building a written statement identifying the frequency and extent of proposed structural observations.

Sec. 266. Subdivisions 1, 2 and 3 of Subsection 91.1704.5.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

1. The structure is classified as Risk Category III or IV in accordance with CBC Table 1604.5.
2. The height of the structure is greater than 75 feet (2286 m) above the base.
3. The structure is assigned to Seismic Design Category E, is classified as Risk Category I or II in accordance with CBC Table 1604.5, and is greater than two stories above grade plane and a lateral design is required for the structure or portion thereof.

EXCEPTION: One-story wood framed Group R-3 and Group U Occupancies less than 2000 square feet (185.8 m²) in area, provided the

adjacent grade is not steeper than 1 unit vertical in 10 units horizontal (10% sloped), assigned to Seismic Design Category D.

Sec. 267. The first sentence and Subdivisions 1 and 2 of Subsection 91.1704.5.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Structural observations shall be provided for those structures sited where V_{asd} as determined in accordance with CBC Section 1609.3.1 exceeds 110 mph (49 m/sec), where one or more of the following conditions exist:

1. The structure is classified as Risk Category III or IV in accordance with CBC Table 1604.5.
2. The building height of the structure is greater than 75 feet (2286 m).

Sec. 268. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1705.1.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In addition to the construction or work inspected as described in LAMC Sections 91.108 and 91.1704 through 91.1705, there are other construction activities that are sufficiently important to the structural stability of the structure, the occupants of and the fire and life safety of the structure that inspection by a specially qualified inspector is necessary in order to ensure compliance with the Code requirements.

Sec. 269. The first sentence following the Exception to Subsection 91.1705.1.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In addition to the projects included in the above categories, the Superintendent of Building may require Special Activity inspections if the Superintendent of Building determines that these inspections are needed to ensure compliance with the provisions of this Code and the work involves:

Sec. 270. The first sentence of the last unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.1705.1.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Special Activity inspection authority will be determined on a case by case basis and will require Registered Deputy Inspector registration.

Sec. 271. Subsection 91.1705.1.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.1.8. Registration. The procedures and conditions of registration as a Special Activity Inspector shall be the same as applicable to a Registered Deputy Inspector under LAMC Subsection 91.1704.2.1.2, except that the extent and duration of special inspection authority shall be as specified in the rules and regulations adopted by the Superintendent of Building.

Sec. 272. Subsection 91.1705.1.9 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.1.9. Duties. Except as otherwise indicated by regulations promulgated by the Superintendent of Building, the duties and responsibilities for a Special Activity Inspector shall be the same as specified for a Registered Deputy Inspector under LAMC Subsection 91.1704.2.1.1.

Sec. 273. Subsection 91.1705.1.10 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.1.10. Fees. The procedures for the examination, registration and renewal of authority as a Special Activity Inspector shall be the same as specified for Registered Deputy Inspectors under LAMC Subsection 91.1704.1.3.

Sec. 274. Subsection 91.1705.1.11 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.1.11. Renewal Process. LAMC Subsection 91.1704.1.3 applies to the application, examination and renewal process for registration as a Special Activity Inspector.

Sec. 275. Subsection 91.1705.2.2.1.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.2.2.1.1. Cold-formed Steel. Welding inspection shall be performed by a Registered Deputy Inspector qualified by the Department for cold-formed steel floor and roof decks. Welding shall be in accordance with AWS D1.3.

Sec. 276. Subsection 91.1705.2.2.1.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.2.2.1.3.2. The Superintendent of Building shall suspend or revoke any certificate upon evidence of failure of the person so certified to conduct welding operations in compliance with any of the conditions upon which it is based, or where quality of workmanship is not equivalent to that required by code, or for any of the reasons set forth in Article 8, Chapter IX of the LAMC. Any action shall be in accordance with the provisions of Article 8, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 277. Subsection 91.1705.2.2.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.2.2.2. Cold-formed Steel Trusses Spanning 60 feet or Greater. Where a cold-formed steel truss clear span is 60 feet (18288 m) or greater, the Registered Deputy Inspector shall verify that the temporary installation restraint/bracing and the

permanent individual truss member restraint/bracing are installed in accordance with the approved truss submittal package.

Sec. 278. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1705.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The special inspections and verifications for concrete construction shall be as required by this section and LAMC Table 1705.3.

Sec. 279. Subdivision 2.2 of Subsection 91.1705.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

2.2 The footings are designed in accordance with LAMC Table 1809.7; or

Sec. 280. Subdivision 4 of Subsection 91.1705.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

4. Concrete foundation walls constructed in accordance with CBC Table 1807.1.6.2.

Sec. 281. Footnote a of Table 1705.3 following Subsection 91.1705.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

a. Where applicable, see also CBC Section 1705.11, special inspections for seismic resistance.

Sec. 282. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1705.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

During the construction of all buildings over 160 feet (48.768 m) in height with concrete special moment-resisting space frames, a structural inspector under the supervision of the engineer responsible for the structural design shall be present to inspect the materials and workmanship for conformance with approved plans, specifications and change orders involved in construction of the ductile frames and shear walls.

Sec. 283. The first sentence of the third unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.1705.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The owner shall provide each structural inspector.

Sec. 284. The fourth unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.1705.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The inspection by the structural inspector or inspectors shall be in addition to inspections made by Department employees as specified in LAMC Section 91.10 and by Registered Deputy Inspectors as specified for other parts of the work in LAMC Subsection 91.1704.1.

Sec. 285. The last unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.1705.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Prior to the issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy, each structural inspector shall submit a report in writing to the engineer and the Department certifying that the portions of the structural frame inspected by the inspector were constructed in accordance with the approved plans, specifications, change orders and Division 19, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 286. Subsection 91.1705.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.6. Soils. Special inspections defined per LAMC Subsections 91.7008.2 and 91.7011.3 for existing site soil conditions, fill placement and load-bearing requirements shall be as required by this section and LAMC Table 1705.6. The approved geotechnical report, and the construction documents prepared by the registered design professionals shall be used to determine compliance. During fill placement, the special inspector shall determine that proper materials and procedures are used in accordance with the provisions of the approved geotechnical report, as specified in CBC Section 1803.6.

Sec. 287. The Exception to Subsection 91.1705.6.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: The Department may waive continuous inspection where minor areas or heights are involved and no unusual hazards exist.

Sec. 288. Subsection 91.1705.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.7. Driven Deep Foundations and Connecting Grade Beams. Special inspections shall be performed during installation and testing of driven deep foundation elements as required by CBC Table 1705.7. The approved geotechnical report, required by CBC Section 1803.6 and the construction documents prepared by the registered design professionals in responsible charge, shall be used to determine compliance, Special inspections for connecting grade beams shall be in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.1705.4.

Sec. 289. Subsection 91.1705.8 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.8. Cast-in-Place Deep Foundations and Connecting Grade Beams.

Special inspections shall be performed during installation and testing of cast-in-place deep foundation elements as required by CBC Table 1705.8. The approved geotechnical report, required by CBC Section 1803.6 and the construction documents prepared by the registered design professionals in responsible charge, shall be used to determine compliance. Special inspections for connecting grade beams shall be in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.1705.4.

Sec. 290. The first two unnumbered paragraphs of Subsection 91.1705.11.1.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

For buildings exceeding 160 feet (48.768 m) in height, the engineer responsible for the structural design and the general contractor responsible for the construction, or their competent authorized representatives, shall make periodic inspections of the work at the site to verify general compliance with the approved plans, specifications and change orders. The engineer and general contractor shall submit a statement in writing to the Department stating that they know from personal knowledge that the materials installed and the structural work performed are in compliance with the approved plans, specifications and change orders.

The phrase “personal knowledge” as used above in reference to the engineer and general contractor means the knowledge resulting from the general observation by the engineer and the general supervision by the contractor of the work, as required by both in the superintendence of the building’s construction, as distinguished from the continuous personal superintendence of the special inspector and/or deputy inspector who are continuously at the site during the progress of the work. The exercise of reasonable diligence to obtain the facts is required and anyone who intentionally remains unaware may be charged with knowledge. The interpretation of personal knowledge as it applies to the special inspector and/or Registered Deputy Inspector is that the inspector(s) must have actual personal knowledge that the requirements of the plans and specifications are being carried out, which is obtained by the inspector’s continuous observation of the work of construction at the site in all stages of its progress.

Sec. 291. Subsection 91.1705.11.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.11.4. Designated Seismic Systems Verifications. The deputy inspector shall examine designated seismic systems requiring seismic qualification in accordance with CBC Section 1705.12.3 and verify that the label, anchorage or mounting conforms to the certificate of compliance and any applicable research report.

Sec. 292. Subsection 91.1705.16.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1705.16.2. Fire-Resistant Joint Systems. Inspection of fire-resistant joint systems that are tested and listed in accordance with CBC Sections 715.3 and 715.4 shall be conducted by an approved deputy inspector in accordance with ASTM E 2393.

Sec. 293. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1707.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In the absence of approved rules or other approved standards, the Superintendent of Building shall make, or cause to be made, any necessary tests and investigations; or the Superintendent of Building shall accept duly authenticated reports from approved agencies in respect to the quality and manner of use of new materials or assemblies as provided for in CBC Section 104.11.

Sec. 294. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1708.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where proposed construction is not capable of being designed by approved engineering analysis, or where proposed construction design method does not comply with the applicable material design standard, the system of construction or the structural unit and the connections shall be subjected to the tests prescribed in CBC Section 1710.

Sec. 295. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1712.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

A certified security bar installer may certify to the Department that any bars, grilles, grates, security rolldown shutters, or similar devices installed on required emergency escape windows or doors meet the requirements of LAMC Subsection 91.6304.3.

Sec. 296. Subdivision 3 of Subsection 91.1712.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

3. The Certificate of Compliance processing fee is paid in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.107.7.

Sec. 297. Subsection 91.1712.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1712.2. Registration. A certified installer shall obtain a Certificate of Registration from the Department.

Sec. 298. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1712.4.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The Superintendent of Building or a Board of Examiners composed of qualified person(s) appointed by the Superintendent of Building shall conduct examinations.

Sec. 299. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1712.4.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Each examiner shall serve at the pleasure of the Superintendent of Building and shall serve for a period of one year unless reappointed by the Superintendent of Building.

Sec. 300. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1712.4.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The examination shall, in the judgment of the Board of Examiners, fairly determine the ability of the applicant to properly perform the work, which he or she would be authorized to do by the certificate requested, and may include the following:

Sec. 301. Subsection 91.1712.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1712.7. Revocation of Certificate. Any certificate may be suspended or revoked in accordance with the provisions of Article 8, Chapter IX of LAMC.

Sec. 302. Subsection 91.1713.1.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1713.1.2. Scope. Unless otherwise specifically stated in this section, all prefabricated construction and all materials used in the construction shall conform to all the requirements of this Code. (See LAMC Subsection 91.104.2.6.)

Sec. 303. Subsection 91.1713.1.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1713.1.3. Definition.

PREFABRICATED ASSEMBLY. A structural unit, the integral parts of which have been built up or assembled prior to incorporation in the building.

Sec. 304. Subsection 91.1713.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1713.4. Reserved.

Sec. 305. Subsection 91.1713.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1713.5. Reserved.

Sec. 306. Subsection 91.1713.6.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1713.6.3. Certifying Agency. To be acceptable under this Code, every Certificate of Approval shall be made by an approved testing agency.

Sec. 307. The Exception to Subsection 91.1713.6.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: Continuous inspection will not be required during prefabrication if the approved testing agency certifies to the construction and furnishes evidence of compliance.

Sec. 308. Section 91.1801 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1801. GENERAL.

Section 1801 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 1801.1 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.1801.1 is added.

Sec. 309. Subsection 91.1801.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1801.1. Scope. The provisions of this division shall apply to building and foundation systems in those areas not subject to scour or water pressure by wind and wave action. Buildings and foundations subject to those scour or water pressure loads shall be designed in accordance with Division 16, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Requirements governing grading and earthwork construction, including excavation and fills, are set forth in Division 70, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Hillside buildings (buildings constructed on slopes steeper than 1 unit vertical in 3 units horizontal [33.3%] slope) shall comply with LAMC Subsection 91.1613.9 (seismic design provisions for hillside buildings) and this division.

Sec. 310. Section 91.1803 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1803. GEOTECHNICAL INVESTIGATION.

Section 1803 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 1803.5.6 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu Subsection 91.1803.5.6 is added.

Sec. 311. Subsection 91.1803.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1803.5.6. Rock Strata. Where subsurface explorations at the project site indicate variations or doubtful characteristics in the structure of the rock upon which foundations are to be constructed, a sufficient number of borings shall be made to a depth of not less than 10 feet (3048 mm) below the level of the foundations and to a depth that would allow investigation of any unsupported bedding planes or any other rock discontinuities that could influence the foundation stability to provide assurance of the soundness of the foundation bed and its load-bearing capacity.

Sec. 312. Section 91.1805 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1805. DAMPPROOFING AND WATERPROOFING.

Section 1805 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 1805.4.3 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu Subsection 91.1805.4.3 is added.

Sec. 313. The second sentence of Subsection 91.1806.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where the Department has reason to doubt the classification, strength or compressibility of the soil, the requirements of CBC Section 1803.5.2 shall be satisfied.

Sec. 314. The second sentence of Subsection 91.1807.1.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Lumber and plywood shall be treated in accordance with AWPA U1 (Commodity Specification A, Use Category 4B and Section 5.2) and shall be identified in accordance with CBC Section 2303.1.8.1.

Sec. 315. The last sentence of Subsection 91.1809.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Two bars shall be placed at the top and bottom of the footings as shown in LAMC Figure 1809.3.

Sec. 316. The title of the figure following Subsection 91.1809.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

**Figure 1809.3
STEPPED FOUNDATIONS**

Sec. 317. Subsection 91.1809.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1809.7. Prescriptive Footings for Light-Frame Construction. Where a specific design is not provided, concrete or masonry-unit footings supporting walls of light-frame construction shall be permitted to be designed in accordance with LAMC Table 1809.7. Prescriptive footings in LAMC Table 1809.7 shall not exceed one story above grade plane for structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

Sec. 318. Footnote a of Table 1809.7 following Subsection 91.1809.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

- a. Depth of footings shall be in accordance with CBC Section 1809.4.

Sec. 319. Footnote e of Table 1809.7 following Subsection 91.1809.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

- e. For thickness of foundation walls, see LAMC Subsection 91.1807.1.6.

Sec. 320. Section 91.1810 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.1810. DEEP FOUNDATIONS.

Section 1810 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Sections 1810.3.1.5, 1810.3.2.4, 1810.3.3.1.4, and 1810.3.10.4 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu Subsections 91.1810.3.1.5, 91.1810.3.2.4, 91.1810.3.3.1.4 and 91.1810.3.10.4 are added.

Sec. 321. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1810.3.3.1.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The assumed frictional resistance developed by any uncased cast-in-place deep foundation element shall not exceed one-sixth (1/6) of the bearing value of the soil material at minimum depth as set forth in CBC Table 1806.2, up to a maximum of 500 psf (24 kPa), unless a greater value is allowed by the Department on the basis of a geotechnical investigation as specified in CBC Section 1803 or a greater value is substantiated by a load test in accordance with CBC Section 1810.3.3.1.2.

Sec. 322. The second sentence of Subsection 91.1810.3.10.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

For structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F, the micropile shall be considered as an alternative system in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.104.2.6.

Sec. 323. Subsection 91.1905.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.1905.1. General. The text of ACI 318 shall be modified as indicated in CBC Sections 1905.1.1 through 1905.1.13 and as modified in this Code.

Sec. 324. The first sentence of Subsection 91.1906.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The design and construction of structural plain concrete, both cast-in-place and precast, shall comply with the minimum requirements of ACI 318, as modified in CBC Section 1905.

Sec. 325. Section 91.2113 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.2113. MASONRY CHIMNEYS.

Section 2113 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 2113.3 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu Subsection 91.2113.3 is added.

Sec. 326. The first and second sentence of Subsection 91.2204.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The details of design, workmanship and technique for welding, inspection of welding and qualification of welding operators shall conform to the requirements listed in CBC Sections 2205, 2206, 2207, 2208, 2209, 2210 and 2211. Special inspection of welding shall be provided where required by LAMC Section 91.1705.

Sec. 327. Section 91.2301 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.2301. GENERAL.

Section 2301 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 2301.1 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.2301.1 is added.

Sec. 328. The last sentence of Subsection 91.2301.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Hillside buildings (buildings constructed upon slopes steeper than one unit vertical in three units horizontal [33.3% slope]) shall comply with LAMC Subsection 91.1613.9 (seismic design provisions for hillside buildings) and this division.

Sec. 329. The Exception to Subsection 91.2304.9.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: Staples may be used to resist or transfer seismic forces when the allowable shear values are substantiated by cyclic testing and approved by the Superintendent of Building.

Sec. 330. Section 91.2305 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.2305. GENERAL DESIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR LATERAL FORCE-RESISTING SYSTEM.

Section 2305 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except that Subsections 91.2305.4 and 91.2305.5 are added.

Sec. 331. Section 91.2306 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.2306. ALLOWABLE STRESS DESIGN.

Section 2306 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except that Sections 2306.2, 2306.3 and 2306.4 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu Subsections 91.2306.2, 91.2306.3, and 91.2306.4 are added.

Sec. 332. The second unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.2306.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The allowable shear values of CBC Tables 2306.2(1) and 2306.2(2) are permitted to be increased 40 percent for wind design.

Sec. 333. Subdivisions 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of Subsection 91.2306.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

1. Wood structural panel thickness for shear walls shall not be less than 3/8 inch (9.525 mm) thick and studs shall not be spaced at more than 16 inches (406.4 mm) on center.

2. The maximum nominal unit shear capacities for three-ply plywood resisting seismic forces in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F is 400 pounds per linear foot (plf) (181.43 kg per meter).

3. Where shear design values using allowable stress design (ASD) exceed 350 plf or load and resistance factor design (LRFD) exceed 500 plf, all framing members receiving edge nailing from abutting panels shall not be less than a single 3 inch (76.19 mm) nominal member, or two 2 inch (50.8 mm) nominal members fastened together in accordance with CBC Section 2306.1 to transfer the design shear value between framing members. Wood structural panel joint and sill plate nailing shall be staggered at all panel edges. See Section 4.3.6.1 and 4.3.6.4.3 of AF&PA SDPWS for sill plate size and anchorage requirements.

4. Nails shall be placed not less than 1/2 inch (12.7mm) in from the panel edges and not less than 3/8 inch (9.525mm) from the edge of the connecting members for shear greater than 350 plf using ASD or 500 plf using LRFD. Nails shall be placed not less than 3/8 inch (9.525 mm) from panel edges and not less than 1/4 inch (6.35 mm) from the edge of the connecting members for shears of 350 plf or less using ASD or 500 plf or less using LRFD.

5. Table 4.3B of AF & PA SDPWS application is not allowed for structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

Sec. 334. The third unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.2306.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where panels are fastened to framing members with staples, requirements and limitations of AF&PA SDPWS shall be met and the allowable shear values set forth in CBC Tables 2306.3(1), 2306.3(2) or 2306.3(3) shall only be permitted for structures assigned to Seismic Design Category A, B, or C.

Sec. 335. The Exception to Subsection 91.2306.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: Where panels are fastened to framing members with staples, allowable shear values may be used, if such values are substantiated by cyclic testing and approved by the Superintendent of Building.

Sec. 336. The last unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.2306.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The allowable shear values in CBC Tables 2306.3(1) and 2306.3(2) are permitted to be increased 40 percent for wind design. Panels complying with ANSI/APA PRP-210 shall be permitted to use design values for Plywood Siding in the AF&PA SDPWS.

Sec. 337. The Exception of Subsection 91.2308.3.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: For structures with a maximum plan dimension not over 50 feet (1524 m), continuous foundations are required at exterior walls only for structures not assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

Sec. 338. Subsection 91.2308.9.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.2308.9.3.1. Alternative Bracing. Any bracing required by CBC Section 2308.9.3 is permitted to be replaced by the following:

1. In one-story buildings, each panel shall have a length of not less than 2 feet 8 inches (813 mm) and a height of not more than 10 feet (3048 mm). Each panel shall be sheathed on one face with 15/32-inch minimum thickness (9.5 mm) wood structural panel sheathing nailed with 8d common or galvanized box nails in accordance with CBC Table 2304.9.1 and blocked at wood structural panel edges. Two anchor bolts installed in accordance with CBC Section 2308.6 shall be provided in each panel. Anchor bolts shall be placed at each panel outside quarter points. Each panel end stud shall have a tie-down device fastened to the foundation, capable of providing an approved uplift capacity of not less than 1,800 pounds (8006 N). The tie-down device shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. The panels shall be supported directly on a foundation or on floor framing supported directly on a foundation that is continuous across the entire length of the braced wall line. This foundation shall be reinforced with not less than one No. 4 bar top and bottom.

Where the continuous foundation is required to have a depth greater than 12 inches (304.8 mm), a minimum 12-inch by 12-inch (304.8 mm by 304.8 mm) continuous footing or turned down slab edge is permitted at door openings in the braced wall line. This continuous footing or turned down slab edge shall be reinforced with not less than one No. 4 bar top and bottom. This reinforcement shall be lapped 15 inches (381 mm) with the reinforcement required in the continuous foundation located directly under the braced wall line.

2. In the first story of two-story buildings, each wall panel shall be braced in accordance with CBC Section 2308.9.3.1, Item 1, except that the wood structural panel sheathing shall be provided on both faces, three anchor bolts shall be placed at one-quarter points, and tie-down device uplift capacity shall not be less than 3,000 pounds (13 344 N).

Sec. 339. Subsection 91.2308.9.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.2308.9.3.2. Alternate Bracing Wall Panel Adjacent to a Door or Window

Opening. Any bracing required by CBC Section 2308.9.3 is permitted to be replaced by the following when used adjacent to a door or window opening with a full-length header:

1. In one-story buildings, each panel shall have a length of not less than 16 inches (406 mm) and a height of not more than 10 feet (3048 mm). Each panel shall be sheathed on one face with a single layer of 15/32 inch (9.5 mm) minimum thickness wood structural panel sheathing nailed with 8d common or galvanized box nails in accordance with CBC Figure 2308.9.3.2. The wood structural panel sheathing shall extend up over the solid sawn or glued-laminated header and shall be nailed in accordance with CBC Figure 2308.9.3.2. A built-up header consisting of at least two 2 × 12s and fastened in accordance with Item 24 of CBC Table 2304.9.1 shall be permitted to be used. A spacer, if used, shall be placed on the side of the built-up beam opposite the wood structural panel sheathing. The header shall extend between the inside faces of the first full-length outer studs of each panel. The clear span of the header between the inner studs of each panel shall be not less than 6 feet (1828.8 mm) and not more than 18 feet (5486 mm) in length. A strap with an uplift capacity of not less than 1,000 pounds (4,400 N) shall fasten the header to the inner studs opposite the sheathing. One anchor bolt not less than 5/8 inch (15.9 mm) diameter and installed in accordance with CBC Section 2308.6 shall be provided in the center of each sill plate. The studs at each end of the panel shall have a tie-down device fastened to the foundation with an uplift capacity of not less than 4,200 pounds (18 480 N).

Where a panel is located on one side of the opening, the header shall extend between the inside face of the first full-length stud of the panel and the bearing studs at the other end of the opening. A strap with an uplift capacity of not less than 1,000 pounds (4400 N) shall fasten the header to the bearing studs. The bearing studs shall also have a tie-down device fastened to the foundation with an uplift capacity of not less than 1,000 pounds (4400 N).

The tie-down devices shall be an embedded strap type, installed in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations. The panels shall be supported directly on a foundation that is continuous across the entire length of the braced wall line. This foundation shall be reinforced with not less than one No. 4 bar top and bottom.

Where the continuous foundation is required to have a depth greater than 12 inches (304.8 mm), a minimum 12-inch by 12-inch (304.8 mm by 304.8 mm) continuous footing or turned down slab edge is permitted at door openings in the braced wall line. This continuous footing or turned down slab edge shall be

reinforced with not less than one No. 4 bar top and bottom. This reinforcement shall be lapped not less than 15 inches (381 mm) with the reinforcement required in the continuous foundation located directly under the braced wall line.

2. In the first story of two-story buildings, each wall panel shall be braced in accordance with Subdivision 1 above, except that each panel shall have a length of not less than 24 inches (610 mm).

Sec. 340. Subdivision 5 of Subsection 91.2308.12.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

5. Anchored masonry and stone wall veneer not exceeding 5 inches (127 mm) in thickness shall conform to the requirements of Division 14, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC and shall not extend more than 5 feet (1524 mm) above the first story finished floor.

Sec. 341. Subsection 91.2308.12.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.2308.12.4. Braced Wall Line Sheathing. Braced wall lines shall be braced by one of the types of sheathing prescribed by CBC Table 2308.12.4 as shown in CBC Figure 2308.9.3. The sum of lengths of braced wall panels at each braced wall line shall conform to the required percentage of wall length required to be braced per braced wall line in CBC Table 2308.12.4. Braced wall panels shall be distributed along the length of the braced wall line and start at not more than 8 feet (2438.4 mm) from each end of the braced wall line. Panel sheathing joints shall occur over studs or blocking. Sheathing shall be fastened to studs, top and bottom plates and at panel edges occurring over blocking. Wall framing to which sheathing used for bracing is applied shall be nominal 2 inch wide [actual 1 1/2 inch (38 mm)] or larger members. Braced wall panel construction types shall not be mixed within a braced wall line. Braced wall panels required by CBC Section 2308.12.4 may be eliminated when all of the following requirements are met:

1. One story detached Group U occupancies not more than 25 feet (7.62 m) in depth or length.

2. The roof and three enclosing walls are solid sheathed with ½ inch (12.7 mm) nominal thickness wood structural panels with 8d common nails placed 3/8 inches (9.52 mm) from panel edges and spaced not more than 6 inches (152.39 mm) on center along all panel edges and 12 inches (304.8 mm) on center along intermediate framing members. Wall openings for doors or windows are permitted provided a minimum 4 foot (1219.2 mm) wide wood structural braced panel with minimum height to length ratio of 2 to 1 is provided at each end of the wall line and that the wall line be sheathed for 50% of its length.

Wood structural panel sheathing shall be minimum of 15/32 inch (11.90 mm) thick nailed with a 8d common placed 3/8 inches (9.52 mm) from panel edges and spaced not more than 6 inches (152.39 mm) on center and 12 inches (304.8 mm) on center along intermediate framing members.

Cripple walls having a stud height exceeding 14 inches (356 mm) shall be considered a story for the purpose of this section and shall be braced as required for braced wall lines in accordance with the required percentage of wall length required to be braced per braced wall line in CBC Table 2308.12.4. Where interior braced wall lines occur without a continuous foundation below, the length of parallel exterior cripple wall bracing shall be one and one-half times the lengths required by CBC Table 2308.12.4. Where the cripple wall sheathing type used is Type S-W and this additional length of bracing cannot be provided, the capacity of Type S-W sheathing shall be increased by reducing the spacing of fasteners along the perimeter of each piece of sheathing to 4 inches (101.6 mm) o.c.

Sec. 342. Footnote a to Table 2308.12.4 following Subsection 91.2308.12.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

a. Minimum length of panel bracing of one face of the wall for S-W sheathing shall be at least 4'-0" (1219.2 mm) long or both faces of the wall for G-P sheathing shall be at least 8'-0" (2438.4 mm) long; h/w ratio shall not exceed 2:1. For SW panel bracing of the same material on two faces of the wall, the minimum length is permitted to be one-half the tabulated value but the h/w ratio shall not exceed 2:1 and design for uplift is required. The 2:1 h/w ratio limitation does not apply to alternate braced wall panels constructed in accordance with CBC Section 2308.9.3.1 or 2308.9.3.2. Wall framing to which sheathing used for bracing is applied shall be nominal 2 inch wide [actual 1 1/2 inch (38 mm)] or larger members and spaced a maximum of 16 inches (406.4 mm) on center. Braced wall panel construction types shall not be mixed within a braced wall line.

Sec. 343. Footnotes c and d to Table 2308.12.4 following Subsection 91.2308.12.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

c. Nailing as specified below shall occur at all panel edges at studs, at top and bottom plates and, where occurring, at blocking:

For 1/2 inch (12.7 mm) gypsum board, 5d (0.113 inch diameter) cooler nails at 7 inches (177.79 mm) on center;

For 5/8 inch (15.87 mm) gypsum board, No. 11 gage (0.120 inch diameter) at 7 inches (177.79 mm) on center;

For gypsum sheathing board, 1 3/4 inches long by 7/16 inch (44.45 mm x 10.92 mm) head, diamond point galvanized nails at 4 inches (101.6 mm) on center;

For gypsum lath, No. 13 gage (0.092 inch) by 1 1/8 inches (2.33 mm x 38.09 mm) long, 19/64 inch (19.52 mm) head, plasterboard at 5 inches (127 mm) on center;

For Portland cement plaster, No. 11 gage (0.120 inch) by 1 1/2 inches (3.048 mm x 292.1 mm) long, 7/16 inch (11.11 mm) head at 6 inches (152.39 mm) on center;

d. S-W sheathing shall be a minimum of 15/32 inch (11.90 mm) thick nailed with 8d common placed 3/8 inches (19.52 mm) from panel edges and spaced not more than 6 inches (152.39 mm) on center and 12 inches (304.8 mm) on center along intermediate framing members.

Sec. 344. The third sentence of Subsection 91.2308.12.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Staple fasteners in CBC Table 2304.9.1 shall not be used to resist or transfer seismic forces in structures assigned to Seismic Design Category D, E or F.

Sec. 345. Section 91.2503 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.2503. INSPECTIONS.

Section 2503 of the CBC is adopted by reference, CBC Section 2503.1 is not adopted and in lieu Subsection 91.2503.1 is added.

Sec. 346. Subsection 91.2503.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.2503.1. Inspection. Lath and gypsum board shall be inspected in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.108.5.

Sec. 347. Section 91.2700 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.2700. BASIC PROVISIONS.

Chapter 27 of the CBC is hereby adopted by reference, except that Subsections 91.2702.2.15.1 and 91.2702.2.18.1 are being added.

Sec. 348. Subsection 91.3002.1.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3002.1.1. Opening Protectives. Openings in hoistway enclosures shall be protected as required in CBC Chapter 7.

Sec. 349. The Exception to Subsection 91.3002.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: The emergency sign shall not be required for elevators that are used for occupant self-evacuation in accordance with CBC Section 3008.

Sec. 350. Subsection 91.3007.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3007.1. General. Where required by CBC Section 403.6.1, every floor of the building shall be served by fire service access elevators complying with CBC Sections 3007.1 through 3007.10 with the modifications set forth in this Code. Except as modified in this section, fire service access elevators shall be installed in accordance with this division and the Elevator Code.

Sec. 351. The last sentence of Subsection 91.3007.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In addition, if the building also contains occupant evacuation elevators in accordance with CBC Section 3008, an independent, three-position, key-operated "Fire Recall" switch conforming to the applicable requirements in the Elevator Code shall be provided at the designated level for each fire service.

Sec. 352. Subsection 91.3008.8.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3008.8.1. Elevator Recall. The fire command center or an alternate location approved by the Fire Department shall be provided with the means to manually initiate a Phase I Emergency Recall of the occupant evacuation elevators in accordance with the Elevator Code.

Sec. 353. The Exception to Subsection 91.3108.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: single free-standing poles used to support antennas not greater than 75 feet (22.86 m), measured from the top of the pole to grade, shall not be required to be noncombustible.

Sec. 354. The first sentence of Subsection 91.3109.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The fence, barrier or a screen enclosure for residential swimming pools on a lot with one to three dwelling units shall comply with LAMC Subsection 91.3109.4.1 and CBC Sections 3109.4.1 through 3109.4.4.7.

Sec. 355. The second and third sentences of Subsection 91.3109.4.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The maximum vertical clearance between grade and the bottom of the barrier shall be 2 inches (50.8 mm) measured on the side of the barrier that faces away from the swimming pool. Where the top of the pool structure is above grade, the barrier is permitted to be mounted on top of the pool structure, provided the maximum vertical

clearance between the top of the pool structure and the bottom of the barrier shall be 4 inches (101.6 mm), or at grade level.

Sec. 356. Subsection 91.3112.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3112.1. General. Section I101 of Appendix I of the CBC is adopted by reference.

Sec. 357. Subsection 91.3112.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3112.2. Definitions. Section I102 of Appendix I of the CBC is adopted by reference.

Sec. 358. Subsection 91.3112.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3112.3. Exterior Openings. Section I103 of Appendix I of the CBC is adopted by reference.

Sec. 359. Subsection 91.3112.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3112.4. Structural Provisions. Section I105 of Appendix I of the CBC is adopted by reference.

Sec. 360. Section 91.3201 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3201. GENERAL.

Section 3201 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Sections 3201.1 and 3201.3 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu Subsections 91.3201.1 and 91.3201.3 are added.

Sec. 361. The second sentence of Subsection 91.3201.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

No portion of any projection from any building over any roadway shall be lower than an elevation of 14 feet (4267.2 mm) above the roadway surface.

Sec. 362. Section 91.3202 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3203. GENERAL.

Section 3202 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 3202.3.1 and 3203.3 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu Subsection 91.3202.3.1 is added.

Sec. 363. Subsection 91.3202.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3202.3.1. Awnings, Canopies, Marquees and Signs. Awnings, canopies, marquees and signs shall be constructed so as to support applicable loads as specified in Division 16, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC. Awnings, canopies, marquees and signs with less than 15 feet (4572 mm) clearance above the sidewalk shall not extend into or occupy more than 2/3 the width of the sidewalk measured from the building. Stanchions or columns that support awnings, canopies, marquees and signs shall be located not less than 2 feet (609.6 mm) in from the curb line.

Prior to issuance of a building permit, plans and specifications and the type, design, arrangement and location of every marquee shall be approved by the Board of Cultural Affairs Commissioners of the City and the Board of Public Works.

Sec. 364. Section 91.3301 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3301. GENERAL.

Section 3301 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 3301.1 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.3301.1 is added.

Sec. 365. The second and third sentences of Subsection 91.3301.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

This section shall not be construed to waive the requirements of the General Safety Orders of the Department of Industrial Relations of the State of California, or the provisions of California Civil Code Section 832 concerning the rights of coterminous owners as to excavations.

See Division 70, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC for all grading, excavation and fill requirements.

Sec. 366. Section 91.3304 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3304. SITE WORK.

Section 3304 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 3304.1.4 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu Subsection 91.3304.1.4 is added.

Sec. 367. Subsection 91.3304.1.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3304.1.4. Fill Supporting Foundations. Fill to be used to support the foundations of any building or structure shall comply with CBC Section 1804.5 and Division 70, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC. Special inspections of compacted fill shall be in accordance with CBC Section 1705.6.

Sec. 368. Section 91.3305 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3305. TOILET FACILITIES DURING CONSTRUCTION.

Section 3305 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsections 91.3305.1 and 91.3305.2 are added.

Sec. 369. The last sentence of Subsection 91.3305.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In no case shall the line of travel to any toilet facility exceed 500 feet (152.4 m).

Sec. 370. The last sentence of Subsection 91.3305.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

In lieu of flush water closets, approved chemical toilets, which meet the requirements of Chapter III of the LAMC, may be provided.

Sec. 371. Section 91.3306 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3306. PROTECTION OF PEDESTRIANS.

Section 3306 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 3306.1 of the CBC is not adopted and in lieu, Subsection 91.3306.1 is added.

Sec. 372. Section 91.3307 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3307. PROTECTION OF ADJOINING PROPERTY.

Sections 3307.1, 3307.2 and 3307.3 of the CBC are not adopted and in lieu, Subsections 91.3307.1, 91.3307.2, 91.3307.2.1, 91.3307.2.2, 91.3307.3, 91.3307.3.1 and 91.3307.3.2 are added.

Sec. 373. The first sentence of the last unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.3307.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Prior to the issuance of any permit, which authorizes an excavation where the excavation is to be of a greater depth than are the walls or foundation of any adjoining building or structure and located closer to the property line than the depth of the excavation, the owner of the site shall provide the Department with evidence that the adjacent property owner or owners have been given a 30 day written notice of the intent to excavate.

Sec. 374. The second sentence of Subsection 91.3307.3.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

For the purpose of this section, the lateral support shall be considered to have been removed when anyone of the following conditions exist:

Sec. 375. Subsection 91.3307.3.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3307.3.2. Removal of Lateral Support. Approval of the Department of Public Works shall be obtained prior to the issuance of a permit for any excavation that would remove the lateral support from a public way.

The slopes of excavations adjacent to an existing structure, an adjacent property or public way may exceed 1 horizontal to 1 vertical where either:

1. A soil report recommending that the slope may be in excess of one to one has been approved by the Department and the Department of Public Works when the excavation is adjacent to a public way.

When justified by the soils engineer, the Department may approve the use of the proposed building and/or shoring to support an adjacent structure on an adjoining property in lieu of underpinning, provided:

- (i) Evidence is submitted that the adjoining property owner has been notified in advance of the proposed excavation in compliance with California Civil Code Section 832.

(ii) The owner of the site records a sworn affidavit with the Office of the County Recorder, which will inform future owners of the site that the lateral support of a portion of the building footings on the adjoining property is provided by the subterranean walls of the building on the site.

2. Underpinning is designed to support adjacent structures, temporary shoring is designed to support the excavation, and plans are approved and permits are issued by the Department.

Temporary shoring shall be designed for an earth pressure equivalent to that exerted by a fluid weighing not less than 30 pounds (13 kg) per cubic foot plus all surcharge loads or as recommended by a soils engineer and approved by the Department.

Soils bearing values shall be those specified in Division 18, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC or those recommended by a soils engineer and approved by the Department.

The design of the required temporary shoring and necessary underpinning shall include a sequence of construction and installation.

Allowable stresses used in the design of temporary shoring may be increased 33-1/3 percent for structural and reinforcing steel and 25% for wood. No increase will be permitted for concrete. Other values shall be those prescribed by this Code.

Sec. 376. Section 91.3401 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3401. GENERAL.

Chapter 34 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Sections 3401.1, 3401.2, 3401.3, 3401.4.1, 3403.1.1, 3404.1.1, 3405.1, 3405.1.2, 3405.2.1, 3408.1, 3409.1 and 3410 are not adopted and in lieu Subsections 91.3401.1, 91.3401.2, 91.3401.3, 91.3401.4.1, 91.3405.1, 91.3405.2.1, 91.3408.1, 91.3409.1 and Section 91.3410 are added.

Sec. 377. Subsection 91.3401.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3401.1. Scope. The provisions of this division shall control the alteration, repair, addition and change of occupancy of existing buildings and structures. In addition to the requirements of CBC Chapter 34, existing buildings and structures shall comply with the applicable regulations of Divisions 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 88, 89, and 91, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC and CBC Appendix A1 and A3 and the voluntary earthquake

hazard reduction standards of Divisions 92, 93, 94, 95 and 96, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

[DSA-AC] For applications listed in Section 1.9.1 regulated by the Division of the State Architect - Access Compliance for accessibility requirements, See CBC Chapter 11B, Section 11 B-202.

EXCEPTION: Existing bleachers, grandstands and folding and telescopic seating shall comply with ICC 300.

[HCD I] In addition to the requirements in this chapter, maintenance, alteration, repair, addition, or change of occupancy to existing buildings and accessory structures under the authority of the Department of Housing and Community Development, as provided in Section 1.8.2.1.1, shall comply with California Code of Regulations, Title 25, Division 1, Chapter 1, Subchapter 1.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. Alterations, repair or addition to existing bleachers, grandstands and folding and telescopic seating shall comply with ICC 300.

2. **(HCD 2)** For moved buildings and maintenance, alteration, repair, addition, or change of occupancy to existing buildings and accessory structures in mobilehome parks or special occupancy parks as provided in CBC Section 1.8.2.1.3., see California Code of Regulations, Title 25, Division 1, Chapters 2 and 2.2.

3. **(HCD 1)** Limited-density owner-built rural dwellings.

Sec. 378. The fifth and sixth sentences of Subsection 91.3401.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

The requirements of this division shall not provide the basis for removal or abrogation of fire protection and safety systems and devices in existing structures. Maintenance of buildings and structures shall comply with Divisions 81 and 86 of Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 379. The first sentence of Subsection 91.3401.4.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The replacement, retention and extension of original materials, and the use of original methods of construction, for any building or accessory structure may remain, provided the aggregate value of work in any one year does not exceed 10 percent of the replacement value, and provided further that no hazardous conditions are continued or created and such building or structure complied with the Building Code provisions in

effect at the time of original construction and the building or accessory structure does not become or continue to be a substandard building.

Sec. 380. The last sentence of the first unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.3403.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Where the addition is not structurally independent of the existing structure, the existing structure and its addition acting together as a single structure shall be shown to meet the requirements of CBC Sections 1609 and 1613.

Sec. 381. The second sentence of the second unnumbered paragraph of the Exception to Subsection 91.3403.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

For purposes of calculating demand-capacity ratios, the demand shall consider applicable load combinations with design lateral loads or forces in accordance with CBC Sections 1609 and 1613. For purposes of this exception, comparisons of demand-capacity ratios and calculation of design lateral loads, forces and capacities shall account for the cumulative effects of additions and alterations since original construction.

Sec. 382. The fourth unnumbered paragraph of the Exception to Subsection 91.3403.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Any existing lateral load-carrying structural element on an unreinforced masonry building whose demand-capacity ratio with the addition considered is less than 10 percent greater than its demand-capacity ratio without the addition, must comply with Appendix Chapter A1. When the demand-capacity ratio with the addition considered is 10 percent or greater than its demand-capacity ratio with the addition ignored, shall be designed per Division 16, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 383. The first unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.3404.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Except as permitted by CBC Section 3404.5, where the alteration increases design lateral loads in accordance with CBC Section 1609 or 1613, or where the alteration results in a structural irregularity as defined in ASCE 7, or where the alteration decreases the capacity of any existing lateral load-carrying structural element, the structure of the altered building or structure shall be shown to meet the requirements of CBC Sections 1609 and 1613.

Sec. 384. The second unnumbered paragraph of the Exception to Subsection 91.3404.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Any existing lateral load-carrying structural element whose demand-capacity ratio with the addition considered is no more than 10 percent greater than its demand-capacity ratio with the addition ignored shall be permitted to remain unaltered. For purposes of calculating demand-capacity ratios, the demand shall consider applicable load combinations with design lateral loads or forces in accordance with CBC Sections 1609 and 1613. For purposes of this exception, comparisons of demand-capacity ratios and calculation of design lateral loads, forces and capacities shall account for the cumulative effects of additions and alterations since original construction.

Sec. 385. The fourth unnumbered paragraph of the Exception to Subsection 91.3404.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Any existing lateral load-carrying structural element on an unreinforced masonry building whose demand-capacity ratio with the alteration considered is less than 10 percent greater than its demand-capacity ratio with the addition, must comply with Appendix Chapter A1. When the demand-capacity ratio with the addition considered is 10 percent or greater than its demand-capacity ratio with the addition ignored, shall be designed per Division 16, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 386. The first unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.3405.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Buildings and structures, and parts thereof, shall be repaired in compliance with CBC Section 3401.2 and 3405. Work on nondamaged components that is necessary for the required repair of damaged components shall be considered part of the repair and shall not be subject to the requirements for alterations in this chapter. Routine maintenance required by CBC Section 3401.2; Division 81, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC; CBC Appendix A1 and A3 and ordinary repairs exempt from a permit in accordance with LAMC Subsection 91.106.2, and abatement of wear due to normal service conditions shall not be subject to the requirements for repairs in this Section.

Sec. 387. The first sentence of Subsection 91.3405.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The building shall be evaluated by a Registered Design Professional, and the evaluation findings shall be submitted to the Building Official.

Sec. 388. The third and fourth sentences of Subsection 91.3405.2.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

Wind loads for this evaluation shall be those prescribed in CBC Section 1609. Earthquake loads for this evaluation, if required, shall be permitted to be 75 percent of those prescribed in CBC Section 1613 or loads required by the CBC section effective at the time of the original construction whichever is greater.

Sec. 389. The last sentence of Subsection 91.3408.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Change of occupancy, use and rating classification as prescribed in Division 88, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC shall also comply with Division 82, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 390. The Exceptions to Subsection 91.3408.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code are amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTIONS:

1. Specific seismic detailing requirements of CBC Section 1613 for a new structure shall not be required to be met where the seismic performance is shown to be equivalent to that of a new structure. A demonstration of equivalence shall consider the regularity, overstrength, redundancy and ductility of the structure.

2. When a change of use results in a structure being reclassified from Risk Category I or II to Risk Category III and the structure is located where the seismic coefficient, SDS, is less than 0.33, compliance with the seismic requirements of CBC Section 1613 are not required.

3. For change of occupancy of an existing commercial or industrial building to residential use, all existing buildings shall be analyzed for 75 percent of the design earthquake ground motion, as defined in CBC Section 1613.5, but in no event shall there be a reduction in the capacity of the seismic force resisting system where that system provides a greater level of protection than the minimum requirements established by this Code.

Sec. 391. The second unnumbered paragraph of Subsection 91.3408.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

For an existing unreinforced masonry building, structural analysis per Division 16, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC is required, if the Risk Category is changed to III or IV per CBC Table 1604.5. Structural analysis per CBC Appendix Chapter A1 is required, if

Rating Classification per Table 88-A of Division 88, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC is changed to I or II.

Sec. 392. The last sentence of Subsection 91.3408.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

The most restrictive requirement of CBC Section 3403, 3404 or 3408 shall apply.

Sec. 393. Subsection 91.3409.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

91.3409.1. Historic Buildings. Historic buildings or structures shall comply with LAMC Section 91.8119.

Buildings or structures that are relocated in whole or in part into or within the City shall comply with the provisions of Division 83, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC.

Sec. 394. The title of Division 35, Article 1, Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

DIVISION 35 REFERENCED STANDARDS

Sec. 395. The first sentence of Subsection 91.6101.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

When application is made for a permit for alterations, repairs or additions to real property, the permit shall be withheld until the Department receives a sworn affidavit from the real property owner stating that:

Sec. 396. The Exception to Subsection 91.6101.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

EXCEPTION: The owner may install film on the glass in every existing sliding glass panel of sliding-type doors, other than wardrobe doors and bathroom shower doors and French-type wooden doors, in the residential portion of the building with film approved by the Department.

Sec. 397. Section 91.6103 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.6103. SHAFTS, PITS AND SIMILAR EXCAVATION – MISDEMEANOR.

Every person owning or having charge of land upon which is located any active or abandoned mining shaft, test hole, well, pit or similar excavation which exceeds 6 inches (152.4 mm) in any lateral dimension and 3 feet (914.4 mm) in depth shall cover,

fence securely or provide some equivalent protection for the hazard and keep it so protected. Failure to do so shall be a misdemeanor.

Sec. 398. Section 91.6104 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.6104. FIRE DISTRICTS.

Buildings located in a fire district shall comply with the provisions of Division 72, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC in addition to the general requirements of this Code.

Sec. 399. Section 91.6105 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended in its entirety to read as follows:

SEC. 91.6105. SEPARATION FROM OIL WELLS.

No school, hospital, sanitarium or assembly occupancy shall be within 200 feet (60.96 m) from the center of the oil well casing.

No public utility fuel manufacturing plant or public utility electrical generating, receiving or distribution plant shall be located within 200 feet (60.96 m) from the center of the oil well casing.

No building more than 400 square feet (37 m²) in area and taller than 36 feet (10.97 m) in height shall be erected within 50 feet (15.24 m) from the center of an oil well casing.

A distance separation between the exterior wall of the building and the center of an oil well casing shall be maintained with a horizontal distance equal to 1½ times the building's height, provided however, that that distance need not exceed 200 feet (60.96 m). The building height for this provision shall be measured vertically from the adjacent lowest ground elevation to the ceiling of the top story.

EXCEPTIONS: The distance separation may be reduced to the following:

1. 35 feet (10.66 m) separation if a solid 6 inches (152.4 mm) thick masonry wall and no shorter than 6 feet (1828.8 mm) tall to be constructed within 50 feet (15.24 m) from the building in between the oil well and all portions of the building.

2. 26 feet (7.92 m) if any portion of the building exterior walls within 50 feet (15.24 m) from the center of an oil well casing shall be constructed with no openings and one hour fire resistive construction with a 3 foot (914.4 mm) high fire rated parapet.

3. 15 feet (4572 mm) if any portion of the building exterior walls within 50 feet from the center of an oil well casing shall be constructed with no openings and two-hour fire resistive construction with a 3 foot (914.4 mm) high fire rated parapet.

Sec. 400. The first unnumbered paragraph of Section 91.6109 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

Every swimming pool, fish pond or other body of water, which contains water 18 inches (457.2 mm) or more in depth, shall be enclosed by a fence, the height of which, including gates, shall be not less than 4 1/2 feet (1371.6 mm) above the ground. Gates shall be self-latching with the latch located 4 1/2 feet (1371.6 mm) minimum above the ground. However, for new swimming pools or spas, the height and construction of the fence and gate shall comply with the requirements of Division 31, Article 1, Chapter IX of the LAMC whichever is more restrictive and provides greater safety.