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Board of Fire Commissioners

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Tue, Feb 12, 2019 at 4:45 AM

Hi,

Here is the information I want to present to the Board of Fire Commissioners on February 13, 2019. According to the documents the work was done on 11/17/2018 but I had my crew do the work on 11/11/2018 or 11/12/2018.

Thank you,
James H. Bright
9451 Reverie Rd,
Tujunga, CA 91042
818-384-5798

5 attachments

-  **LAFD_HEARING_01-24-2019001.pdf**
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-  **LAFD_HEARING_UPDATE_01-30-2019001.pdf**
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-  **LAFD_NOTICE_OF_DELINQUENCY_01-15-2019001.pdf**
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-  **LAFD_REPORT_PROPOSED_DECISION001.pdf**
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-  **PICS_11-07-18_11-17-2018.pdf**
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January 24, 2019

Dear Property Owner:

The Board of Fire Commissioners has concluded its portion of the 2017 Brush Clearance Appeals process and it has approved the attached copy of the report and proposed decision of the Hearing Officer. The approved report will be transmitted to the City Clerk for placement on the City Council's calendar.

A copy of the hearing officer's complete 2017 report is available for review at the Brush Clearance Unit located at 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Suite 451, Van Nuys, California 91401. If you have questions regarding your 2018 inspections or notices you may have received, please call the Brush Clearance Unit at (800) 994-4444 for more information.

You may submit newly discovered or additional evidence that was not presented at the time of your hearing before the Board of Fire Commissioners. All newly discovered or additional evidence must be in writing, addressed, and mailed to the Public Safety Committee, c/o City Clerk, 200 North Spring Street, Room 395, City Hall, Los Angeles, California 90012. You will be given an opportunity to present this new or additional evidence before the Public Safety Committee of the City Council for review. The Public Safety Committee will make a recommendation for final action by the City Council based on the new or additional evidence and the recommendation of the Board of Fire Commissioners. Please provide seven (7) copies for distribution.

The Public Safety Committee meeting is scheduled for **February 13, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.** The address is: 200 North Spring Street, Room 1060, City Hall, Los Angeles, California 90012. Please be advised that the meeting date and time are subject to change. To verify the Committee's meeting date and time, please contact Richard Williams at (213) 978-1071. If you plan on attending the Public Safety Committee meeting, please email us at lafdbush@lacity.org or call us at (800) 994-4444.

Thank you for your courtesy and patience throughout the appeal process and please remember that brush clearance is a year-round responsibility.

Very truly yours,

Delia Ibarra

Delia Ibarra, President
Board of Fire Commissioners

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*Feb 13 - 19
3:00
PM*

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UPDATED INFORMATION – NEW LOCATION



January 30, 2019

Dear Property Owner:

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Delia Ibarra, President
Board of Fire Commissioners

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City of Los Angeles - Brush Clearance
200 N. Main Street, Room 1620
Los Angeles, CA 90012-4147

Notice of Delinquency

DATE: 01/15/2019

INVOICE NO.: BC18006700

INVOICE DATE: 03/14/2018

DUE DATE: 01/09/2019

YOUR PAYMENT IS NOW PAST DUE.

Question Regarding

Brush Clearance Fee:

Call: (800)994-4444

Phone Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Billing Questions Call: (213)978-3424

Phone Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

JAMES BRIGHT
9451 REVERIE RD
TUDUNGA CA 91042-3023

APN 2564027020

Package ID: 2017173012

DESCRIPTION OF CHARGES	AMOUNT
Cost of clearance by a professional contractor (cleared/removed brush, weeds, and/or hazardous debris from your property)	\$1,000.00
Administrative Fee	\$1,304.00
Clearance Date 01/08/2018	
Adjustment	\$-1,304.00
TOTAL DUE	\$1,000.00

Web payment available at: <https://epay.lafd.org>
The ID and PIN information below are required to login and make payments on the website:
ID: 2564027020 PIN: [REDACTED]

If payment is not received by the due date:

A \$35 Non Sufficient Fund fee will be assessed on all returned checks.
If you have sent your payment, please disregard this notice.
Unpaid invoice will result in the filing of Special Assessment against your property with the Los Angeles County Assessor's Office and possible legal action by the Los Angeles City Attorney's Office.

Please detach at dotted line and return lower portion with your payment



TO USE YOUR CREDIT CARD FOR THE AMOUNT DUE, PLEASE COMPLETE INFORMATION BELOW.

CHECK ONE DISC VER Check

CREDIT CARD # [REDACTED]

CARD HOLDER'S NAME _____

SIGNATURE _____

TELEPHONE NO _____

Payments made via an online banking service must include invoice number

EXP DATE [REDACTED] / [REDACTED]

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO CITY OF LOS ANGELES
WRITE INVOICE NUMBER ON CHECK
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PROMPT PAYMENT

INVOICE DATE	INVOICE NUMBER
03/14/2018	BC18006700
AMOUNT DUE	AMOUNT ENCLOSED
\$1,000.00	\$
APN	DUE DATE: 01/09/2019
2564027020-3	JAMES BRIGHT

Mail payment to:

City of Los Angeles Fire Department
Brush Clearance
PO BOX 514268
Los Angeles, CA 90051-4268

REPORT AND PROPOSED DECISION
ON ASSESSMENT HEARING FOR
2017 BRUSH CLEARANCE

HEARING DATE: July 17, 2018 08:00 PACKAGE NO: 2017173012
COUNCIL DISTRICT: FS 74

NAME: JAMES H BRIGHT
MAILING ADDRESS: 9451 REVERIE RD
TUJUNGA CA 91042

SITUS ADDRESS: 7091 West FLORA MORGAN TR
TUJUNGA CA 91042

ASSESSOR'S ID NO: **2564027020** / INVOICE NO: BC18006700

Assessment: **\$2,304.00**

Cost of Clearance	Administrative Fee	Total Assessment
\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00

SUBSTANCE OF PROTEST

Appellant thought he cleared all the lots as he has several in the area and felt was not responsible for the fine.

DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

The Department issued an F-1308 Notice of Noncompliance on June 8, 2017
There was no record of an F-1307 Cleared-By-Owner Inspection Report on file. Therefore, a Second Notice of Noncompliance was issued on October 21, 2017.
A work order was prepared and the property was posted on November 2, 2017.
The property was subsequently contracted to a City Contractor and work was completed on November 15, 2017. Photographs are on file showing the condition of the property before, during and after clearance.

PROPOSED DECISION AND RECOMMENDATION

The proposed assessment against your property has been confirmed in part and waived in part. The Fire Department showed that due process was afforded the Appellant as all notices were sent as legally required and the Red Tag Notice Posted.

The Fire Inspector and City Contractor provided photographs which depict the hazardous conditions that existed at the time of the clearance. The Appellant did work to clear some of the property, and provided photographs, thus the Administrative Fee is waived and the cost of clearance due as assessed.

Total assessment due is **\$1,000.00**



This picture was taken on November 7, 2018, and shows a dead tree limb on the lot.



This picture was taken on November 7, 2018, and shows brush around the base of a tree.



This picture was taken on November 7, 2018, and shows brush along the side of the hill.

At this time I was told by Inspector Derricke Lockhart that if I had these fixed and sent him pictures he would have the status changed to "Completed" for the lot.

I had my crew do the required work and sent the pictures on page two to Inspector Lockhart.



This picture was taken on November 17, 2018, and shows the top of the lot with a bush removed that Inspector Lockhart told me would have to be removed NEXT YEAR.



This picture was taken November 17, 2018, and shows the tree with the brush removed from around it's base.



This picture was taken November 17, 2018, and shows the brush on the side of the hill has been cleared out.

My crew did the work on November 11 or 12, 2018, and according to the invoice the work done by the City Contractor was done on November 15, 2018.

I don't understand how the City Contractor did anything on the lot. If they actually did some work I could understand being charged for it but I don't believe they did anything on the lot.