

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending certain provisions of Section 91.6205.18, Division 62, Article 1 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code regarding the Off-Site Sign Periodic Inspection Program to reduce the length of the inspection cycle, reduce the inspection fee and eliminate the certificate of compliance requirement.

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

Section 1. Subsection 91.6205.18.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

91.6205.18.1. General. All off-site sign structures as defined in Section 14.4.2 of the LAMC and subject to the provisions of Chapter I of the LAMC are subject to regular inspection. Beginning February 1, 2015, the Superintendent or an authorized representative shall inspect each sign a minimum of once every two years.

Sec. 2. Subsection 91.6205.18.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

91.6205.18.2. Fees for Inspection. This fee shall be known as the "Off-Site Sign Periodic Inspection Fee." The person or entity in control of an off-site sign structure subject to inspection shall pay a regulatory fee of \$169.87 to the Department and provide a copy of a valid permit issued by the City of Los Angeles for each off-site sign structure or a copy of a valid permit issued by the appropriate jurisdiction if the lot was annexed to the City of Los Angeles.

The regulatory fee shall be due on February 1 every two years, starting on February 1, 2015. If the fee is not paid on or before the last day of the month in which it is due, a monthly penalty equal to five percent of any outstanding fee, but not less than \$10.00, shall be added to the outstanding fee each month until the outstanding fee is paid. Should the person or entity in control fail to pay the required fee, the City of Los Angeles may recover the fee, plus accrued penalties, utilizing any remedy approved by law.

The Department shall cause all money collected pursuant to this section to be deposited into the Off-Site Sign Periodic Inspection Fee Trust Fund described in Section 5.111.17 of the Los Angeles Administrative Code for purposes of disbursement as that section permits.

The regulatory fee shall be used to finance the costs of administering the inspection program, including, but not limited to, inspection and maintenance of an off-site sign structure database. Payment of the fee shall not create a presumption that the sign is lawfully erected, as that term is defined in Section 91.6205.18.7.

Sec. 3. Subsection 91.6205.18.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted in its entirety.

Sec. 4. A new Subsection 91.6205.18.3 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is added to read as follows:

91.6205.18.3. Inspection Records. The Department shall keep records of the off-site sign inspection program, showing the following information for each off-site sign structure subject to inspection pursuant to Section 91.6205.18: the payment of inspection fees; that inspections have been conducted; any known building permit number; size of sign as shown on any known building permit; issuance date of any known building permit; any subsequent building permits issued for that sign; any information required pursuant to this Division or obtained pursuant to inspection; and whether the off-site sign structure has been determined to be in compliance with the terms of the permit described in Sec. 91.6205.18.2 and with all applicable regulations at the time the permit was issued.

Sec. 5. Subsection 91.6205.18.4 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

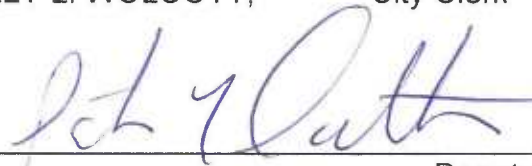
91.6205.18.4. Frequency of Inspection. Each off-site sign structure shall be inspected once every two years.

Sec. 6. Subsection 91.6205.18.5 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is deleted in its entirety.


Sec. 7. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify that this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, at its meeting of OCT 7 2014.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By 
Deputy

Approved OCT 17 2014


Mayor
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Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By 
KIM RODGERS WESTHOFF
Deputy City Attorney

Date 5/19/14

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DECLARATION OF POSTING ORDINANCE

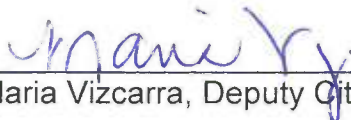
I, MARIA VIZCARRA, state as follows: I am, and was at all times hereinafter mentioned, a resident of the State of California, over the age of eighteen years, and a Deputy City Clerk of the City of Los Angeles, California.

Ordinance No. 183249 – Amending certain provisions of Section 91.6205.18, Division 62, Article 1 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code regarding the Off-Site sign Periodic Inspection Program - a copy of which is hereto attached, was finally adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on **October 7, 2014**, and under the direction of said City Council and the City Clerk, pursuant to Section 251 of the Charter of the City of Los Angeles and Ordinance No. 172959, on **October 20, 2014** I posted a true copy of said ordinance at each of the three public places located in the City of Los Angeles, California, as follows: 1) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; 2) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; 3) one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Copies of said ordinance were posted conspicuously beginning on **October 20, 2014** and will be continuously posted for ten or more days.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signed this **20th** day of **October, 2014** at Los Angeles, California.



Maria Vizcarra, Deputy City Clerk

Ordinance Effective Date: **November 29, 2014**

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