

ORDINANCE NO. 183580

An ordinance adding Section 91.3108.1 to Article 1 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to require a 1.5 Importance Factor for construction of cellular communications towers and ensure seismic safety.

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

Section 1. A new Section 91.3108 is added to Article 1 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

SEC. 91.3108. TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND BROADCAST TOWERS.

Section 3108 of the CBC is adopted by reference, except Section 3108.1 of the CBC is not adopted and, in lieu, Section 91.3108.1 is added.

91.3108.1. General. Towers shall be designed and constructed in accordance with the provisions of TIA-222. For structural design purposes, telecommunication towers shall be considered to be a "Class III Structure" subject to an Importance Factor of 1.50, as set forth in Table 2-3, Importance Factors, of TIA-222. Towers shall be designed for seismic loads; exceptions related to seismic design listed in Section 2.7.3 of TIA-222 shall not apply. In Section 2.6.6.2 of TIA 222, the horizontal extent of Topographic Category 2, escarpments, shall be 16 times the height of the escarpment.

EXCEPTION: Single free-standing poles used to support antennas not greater than 75 feet (22 860 mm), measured from the top of the pole to grade, shall not be required to be noncombustible.

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

I hereby certify that this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, at its meeting of MAY 15 2015.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By 
Deputy

Approved 5/20/15


Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality
MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By 
KENNETH T. FONG
Deputy City Attorney

Date March 12, 2015

File No. 15-0050

DECLARATION OF POSTING ORDINANCE


I, VERONICA COLEMAN-WARNER, 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. 183580 – Adding Section 91.3108.1 to Article 1 of Chapter IX of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to require a 1.5 Importance Factor for construction of cellular communications towers and ensure seismic safety - a copy of which is hereto attached, was finally adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on **May 15, 2015**, 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 **June 1, 2015** 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 **June 1, 2015** 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 **1st** day of **June, 2015** at Los Angeles, California.


Veronica Coleman-Warner, Deputy City Clerk

Ordinance Effective Date: **July 11, 2015**

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