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Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) or Negative Declaration (ND)

Notice of Exemption (NOE)

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Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

Planning for the Challenges Ahead



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August 29, 2023

TO: Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk

FROM: Kenneth Warner
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**INSTRUCTIONS AND FILING FEES FOR CEQA NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
RELATED TO A COUNTY PROJECT / DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING
TITLE 22 TUNE UP “SERIES 002” ORDINANCE
PROJECT NO. PRJ2021-003909 - (1-5) — ADVANCE PLANNING CASE NO.
RPPL2021010991**

POSTING INSTRUCTIONS

Please post the provided Notice of Exemption for the time period listed below:

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------|
| START DATE: | August 31, 2023 |
| END DATE: | October 5, 2023 |

PAYMENT OF FILING FEES

Please process payment of posting/filing fees for the Notice of Exemption for the above-referenced project via Journal Voucher to the Department of Regional Planning.

The billing code is as follows: Customer Code: 5023

\$75.00 Registrar-Recorder processing fee

Total Billing Fee: \$ 75

Any billing questions can be directed to **Karen Chin** at (213) 974-6489 and for questions regarding the attachments, please contact **Kenneth Warner** at (213) 974-6432 or via email at kwarner@planning.lacounty.gov, Monday through Thursday from 7:30 AM to 5:30 PM. Our offices are closed on Fridays.

BD:AS:KW

Attachment: Notice of Exemption

Notice of Exemption

To:

Office of Planning and Research
P.O. Box 3044
Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

County Clerk
County of: Los Angeles, Business Filings
12400 E. Imperial Hwy., #1201
Norwalk, CA 90650

From:

Public Agency: LA County Regional Planning
320 W. Temple Street, 13th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Project Title: _____

Project Applicant: _____

Project Location - Specific: _____

Project Location - City: _____ Project Location - County: _____

Description of Nature, Purpose and Beneficiaries of Project:

The second in a series of ordinances to amend Title 22 (Planning and Zoning) of the County Code to make modifications where necessary to correct discrepancies and typographical errors, clarify provisions, reformat/reorganize sections for readability, and be consistent with State law and other County regulations.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: _____

Exempt Status: **(check one):** _____

- Ministerial (Sec. 21080(b)(1); 15268);
- Declared Emergency (Sec. 21080(b)(3); 15269(a));
- Emergency Project (Sec. 21080(b)(4); 15269(b)(c));
- Categorical Exemption. State type and section number: Class 3-Section 15305, Section 15061(b)(3)
- Statutory Exemption. State code number: _____
- Exemptions for Agricultural Housing, Affordable Housing, and Residential Infill Projects. State type and section number: _____
- Others: _____

Reasons why project is exempt:

Class 3 - 15305 is for minor alterations in land use limitations and CEQA Guideline 15061(b)(3) is the common sense exemption that applies when it can be said with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment. The corrections, clarifications, and reorganization of the existing Title 22 are administrative and nonsubstantive in nature and therefore have no effect on the environment.

Lead Agency: _____
Contact Person: _____ Area Code/Telephone/Extension: _____

If filed by applicant:

1. Attach certified document of exemption finding.
2. Has a Notice of Exemption been filed by the public agency approving the project? Yes No

Signature: _____ Date: _____ Title: _____

Signed by Lead Agency

Signed by Applicant

Date Received for filing at OPR: _____

ATTACHMENT TO NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
LOS ANGELES COUNTY
TITLE 22 "SERIES 002" TUNE UP ORDINANCE

1. Project Description

The Ordinances amend Title 22 (Planning and Zoning) of the Los Angeles County Code to make technical changes as follows:

- Correct discrepancies and typographical errors
- Clarify vague provisions
- Reformat and reorganize sections into other sections or as new chapters
- Revise land use regulations to comply with State law and other County regulations.

2. Description of Project Site

The amendments to Title 22 of the County Code are being made to sections that may apply throughout the unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. No site-specific development is being proposed.

3. Reasons Why this Project is Exempt

Section 15305 – Class 5 – Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations

Section 15305 of the CEQA Guidelines (Class 5, Minor alterations in Land Use Limitations) specifically exempts from environmental review any project in areas with an average slope of less than 20 percent, which do not result in changes in land use or density. The project proposes technical changes to the County's Zoning Code that do not introduce any new policies that may significantly impact land uses. Corrections were made to Title 22 for clarity and to streamline procedures, and to make Title 22 consistent with State law on land use regulations. No changes to density or land uses are being proposed.

Section 15061(b)(3) – Common Sense Exemption

This project is exempt under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines, because CEQA applies to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. This project is administrative in nature, and it can be said with certainty that there is no possibility that this project may have a significant effect on the environment.

Ordinances for Adoption**79. County Code, Title 22 - Planning and Zoning Amendment**

Ordinance for adoption amending County Code, Title 22 - Planning and Zoning with the Title 22 Tune Up "Series 002" Ordinance, to make modifications where necessary to correct discrepancies, typographical errors, and outdated and redundant provisions, including, but not limited to, to revise for internal consistency; to streamline procedures; to clarify provisions, including, but not limited to, sections of the Oak Tree Permit Chapter, such as sections 22.174.030 (Applicability) and 22.174.040 (Application and Review Procedures), as well as sections of the Administrative Procedures Chapter, such as Sections 22.222.070 (Application Filing and Withdrawal), 22.222.080 (Fees and Deposits) and 22.222.100 (Denial of Inactive Application); adding, reorganizing, and updating definitions in Sections 22.14.010 (A), 22.14.080 (H), 22.14.150 (O), and 22.14.190 (S) to correct errors and to be consistent with State law and the location of other definitions in Title 22; and revising and adding other sections to maintain consistency with State law, such as the Housing Accountability Act, AB 1851 and requirements of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, and other County regulations; and find that adoption of the ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (Class 5 and Section 15061(b)(3)). (On March 14, 2023, the Board indicated its intent to approve the project.) **(County Counsel)** (Relates to Agenda No. 80) (23-1019)

On motion of Supervisor Solis, seconded by Supervisor Horvath, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 2023-0038 entitled, "An ordinance amending Title 22 - Planning and Zoning of the Los Angeles County Code that corrects minor technical errors and discrepancies, reformats, and reorganizes sections, streamlines procedures, makes the County Code consistent with State law and other County regulations, and adds definitions and clarifies code language for ease of implementation." This ordinance shall take effect on September 7, 2023.

This item was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Hahn

Absent: 1 - Supervisor Mitchell

Attachments: [Ordinance](#)
[Certified Ordinance](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

80. County Code, Title 22 - Planning and Zoning, Amendment

Ordinance for adoption and approval of Zone Change amending County Code, Title 22 - Planning and Zoning, with the Title 22 Tune Up "Series 002" Ordinance, to correct Zoned District map errors (22.06.060-Zoned Districts Established); and find that adoption of the ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (Class 5 and Section 15061(b)(3)). (On March 14, 2023, the Board indicated its intent to approve the project.) **(County Counsel)** (Relates to Agenda No. 79) (23-2832)

On motion of Supervisor Solis, seconded by Supervisor Horvath, the Board adopted Ordinance No. 2023-0039Z entitled, "An ordinance amending the County Code, Title 22 - Planning and Zoning, Section 22.06.060, changing regulations for the execution of the Title 22 Tune Up Series 002 Ordinance, comprised of the following Zoned Districts: East Los Angeles Zoned District, Hacienda Heights Zoned District, and Southeast Whittier Zoned District." This ordinance shall take effect on September 7, 2023.

This item was duly carried by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Supervisor Solis, Supervisor Horvath, Supervisor Barger and Supervisor Hahn


Absent: 1 - Supervisor Mitchell

Attachments: [Ordinance](#)
[Certified Ordinance](#)
[Public Comment/Correspondence](#)

ANALYSIS

This ordinance amends Title 22 – Planning and Zoning of the Los Angeles County Code that corrects minor technical errors and discrepancies, reformats, and reorganizes sections, streamlines procedures, makes the County Code consistent with State law and other County regulations, and adds definitions and clarifies code language for ease of implementation.

DAWYN R. HARRISON
County Counsel

By 
LISA C. JACOBS
Deputy County Counsel
Property Division

LJ:bh

Requested: 03-20-2023

Revised: 07-17-2023

ORDINANCE NO. 2023-0038

An ordinance amending Title 22 – Planning and Zoning of the Los Angeles County Code that corrects minor technical errors and discrepancies, reformats, and reorganizes sections, streamlines procedures, makes the County Code consistent with State law and other County regulations, and adds definitions and clarifies code language for ease of implementation.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 22.02.050 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.02.050 Consistency with the General Plan.

A. General Plan Goals and Policies. Building permits may only be issued for developments and land uses that conform to the goals and policies of the General Plan, and any applicable Area, Community, or Neighborhood Plan.

B. Use.

1. ~~Unless General. Except as otherwise permitted by State laws specified in Subsection B.2,~~ below, building permits may be issued only for those land uses that are allowed through zoning and deemed compatible with the general intended uses of the land use designation in the General Plan, or an applicable Area, Community, or Neighborhood Plan.

2. Housing Development Project. Notwithstanding Subsection B.1, above, building permits may be issued for a housing development project, as defined in Section 22.14.80, without a zone change, even if the use is prohibited in the zone, so long as the housing development project is consistent with the general intended uses of

the land use designation in the General Plan, or an applicable Area, Community, or Neighborhood Plan. The housing development project may be subject to standards of a zone that are consistent with the general intended uses of the land use designation in the General Plan, or an applicable Area, Community, or Neighborhood Plan, pursuant to section 65589.5(i)(4) of the California Government Code.

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SECTION 2. Section 22.14.010 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.14.010 A.

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Affordable housing and senior citizen housing. The following terms are defined for the purposes of Chapter 22.119 (Affordable Housing Replacement), Chapter 22.120 (Density Bonus), Chapter 22.121 (Inclusionary Housing), Chapter 22.128 (Supportive Housing), Chapter 22.130 (Transitional Housing), Section 22.140.660 (Motel Conversions, Temporary), Chapter 22.166 (Housing Permits), and Section 22.246.090 (Private Art in Public Development Program):

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Major transit stop. As defined in section 21155(b) of the California Public Resources Code.

Religious institution affiliated housing development project. A housing development project that meets all of the following requirements:

1. It is located on one or more contiguous lots that are each

owned, entirely, whether directly or through a wholly owned company or corporation, by a religious institution.

2. It qualifies as being near collocated religious-use parking by being on or adjacent to a lot with religious-use parking or by being located within one-tenth of a mile of a lot that contains religious-use parking.

3. It qualifies for a density bonus under section 65915 of the California Government Code and this Chapter 22.120.

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Alternative Financial Services. The following terms are defined solely for Section 22.140.690 (Alternative Financial Services):

~~Alternative financial service. A use that charges a percentage fee to provide a loan or cash a check. This term includes, but is not limited to, deferred deposit transaction (payday) lender, check casher, and/or motor vehicle (auto) title lenders. This term shall not include a check cashing service or any state or federally chartered financial institution with a State or federal charter, such as a bank, credit union, mortgage lender, savings and loan association, or industrial loan company, or non-profit financial institution.~~

~~Bank. This term shall have the same meaning as set forth in section 1561 of the California Financial Code.~~

~~Check casher. A business that for compensation engages, in whole or in part, in the cashing of checks, warrants, drafts, money orders, or other commercial paper serving the same purpose. This term shall not include a check cashing service or~~

~~any state or federally chartered bank, credit union, mortgage lender, savings and loan association, industrial loan company, or non-profit financial institution. This term shall not include a retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers that cashes checks or issues money orders for a fee not exceeding two dollars as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main purpose or business. This term includes businesses subject to Title 1.6f (Check Cashers) of Part 4 of Division 3 of the California Civil Code.~~

~~Check cashing service. A retail seller engaged primarily in the business of selling consumer goods, including consumables, to retail buyers, that cashes checks or issues money orders for a fee not exceeding two dollars (\$2) as a service to its customers that is incidental to its main business purpose.~~

~~Credit union. This term shall have the same meaning as set forth in section 14002 of the California Financial Code.~~

~~Deferred deposit transaction (payday) lender. An individual or corporation licensed by the commissioner of the California Department of Business Oversight that engages in the business of selling checks, drafts or money orders; receives money as an agent of a customer bound by contract for the purpose of paying bills, invoices or accounts of such customer; or accepts money in payment of utility bills, unless acting as an authorized agent for a utility company. A business that offers, originates, or makes a deferred deposit transaction, where such business defers the deposit of a customer's personal check until a specific date, pursuant to a written agreement for a fee or other~~

charge. This term includes businesses subject to Division 10 (California Deferred Deposit Transaction Law) of the California Financial Code.

~~Industrial loan company. This term shall have the same meaning as set forth in section 18003 of the California Financial Code.~~

~~Mortgage lender. A bank or trust company, mortgage banker, state or federally chartered savings and loan association, service corporation, or other financial institution or governmental agency which is deemed capable of providing service or otherwise aiding in the financing of construction loans and mortgage loans.~~

~~Motor vehicle (auto) title lender. A business that grants a short term loan to a borrower in exchange for repaying the principal amount borrowed plus interest. To obtain the loan, the borrower offers the title to their car, motorcycle, mobile home, truck, van, or other vehicle operated on public highways and streets, as collateral should the borrower default in repaying the loan within the agreed upon time.~~
provides a loan secured by the title of a motor vehicle. This term includes businesses subject to Division 9 (California Financing Law) of the California Financial Code that provide consumer or commercial loans secured in whole or in part by the title of a motor vehicle.

~~Savings and loan association. This term shall have the same meaning as an "eligible savings and loan association" as set forth in section 16600 of the California Government Code.~~

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SECTION 3. Section 22.14.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.14.080 H.

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Highway line. The right-of-way line established for an alley, street, or highway by this Title 22. Such line shares the same boundary with the lot line on a property adjoining a fully widened alley, street, or highway, with the exception of a limited secondary highway or a street that uses an alternative cross-section as described in Sections 21.24.065 and 21.24.090 of Title 21 (Subdivisions) of the County Code.

Hillside Management Area (HMA). Land which contains terrain with a natural slope gradient of 25 percent or steeper.

Hillside Management Areas (HMAs). The following terms are defined solely for Chapter 22.104 (Hillside Management Areas):

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Hotel. A lodging establishment containing six or more guest rooms or suites and offering temporary overnight accommodations for guests with a maximum rental period of 30 days. Access to all guest rooms is from one or more interior walkways.

Housing Accountability Act. The following terms are defined for the purposes of Sections 22.02.050 (Consistency with the General Plan) and 22.222.200 (Findings and Decisions):

Housing development project. A development project consisting of any of the following: 1) two or more dwelling units, including a development project that includes both a single-family residence and an accessory dwelling unit; 2) a land

division subject to Title 21 (Subdivision) of the County Code consisting of dwelling units or unimproved residential lots; 3) a mixed use development consisting of residential and non-residential uses with at least two-thirds of the square footage designated for residential use; 4) transitional housing; or 5) supportive housing. A housing development project may consist of attached or detached units and may occupy more than one parcel, so long as all parcels on which the development is proposed are included in the same development application.

Housing for very low-, low-, or moderate-income households. A housing development project that has either one of the following: 1) at least 20 percent of all dwelling units are sold or rented to lower income households; or 2) all dwelling units are sold or rented to moderate or middle-income households.

SECTION 4. Section 22.14.150 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.14.050 O.

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Oak Tree Permits. The following terms are defined solely for Chapter 22.174 (Oak Tree Permits):

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Damage. Any act causing or tending to cause injury to the root system or other parts of a tree, including, but not limited to, the acts of burning, applying toxic substances, operating equipment, or machinery, paving, changing the natural grade, trenching, or excavating within the protected zone of an oak tree.

Heritage oak tree. Any oak tree measuring 36 inches or more in diameter, measured four and one-half feet above the natural grade or any oak tree having significant historical or cultural importance to the community, notwithstanding that the tree diameter is less than 36 inches.

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SECTION 5. Section 22.14.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.14.090 S.

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Special use permit. Whenever this Title 22, or any case granted thereunder, refers to a "special permit" or a "special use permit," it shall be construed to mean a Conditional Use Permit.

Specific adverse impact. As defined in subsections (d)(2) and (j)(1)(A) of section 65589.5 of the California Government Code.

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SECTION 6. Section 22.110.190 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.110.190 Modifications Authorized.

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B. Public Works. The Director of Public Works, without notice or hearing, may grant a modification to yard or setback regulations required by this Title 22 or any other ordinance where topographic features, subdivision plans, or other conditions create an unnecessary hardship or unreasonable regulation or make it obviously impractical to require compliance with the yard requirements or setback line, except for

the supplemental yards established contiguous to limited secondary highways, as described in Section 22.110.080.E, may be modified with the approval of a Yard Modification (Chapter 22.196) application. The Director of Public Works shall notify the Director of all modifications which the Director of Public Works has granted.

SECTION 7. Section 22.120.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.120.080 Parking.

A. Notwithstanding any contrary provisions in this Title 22, Table 22.120.080-A, below, identifies the parking ratios for projects subject to this Chapter:

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B. Religious Institution Affiliated Housing Development Projects. Any religious institution affiliated housing development project shall be eligible for a reduction in parking requirements in accordance with section 65913.6 of the California Government Code.

SECTION 8. Section 22.140.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.140.060 Animal Keeping, Commercial.

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B. Animals in Circuses and Temporary Animal Exhibitions.

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2. Standards. Animals may be used, kept, or maintained as part of a circus or animal exhibition on a temporary basis for up to seven days in Zones C-MJ, and C-R, and for up to 14 days in Zones M-1, M-1.5, and M-2 provided that such

animals are used, kept, or maintained pursuant to all regulations of the Department of Animal Care and Control. Any requests for the keeping of animals for longer than the time specified for the zone in conjunction with the circus or temporary animal exhibition requires a Conditional Use Permit (Chapter 22.158) application.

SECTION 9. Section 22.140.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.140.070 Animal Keeping, Noncommercial or Personal Use.

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C. Animal Keeping Permitted—Limitations. A person shall not keep or maintain any animal for personal use in any zone other than those specified as permitted in this Section. This Section shall not prohibit the keeping of animals for personal use to the extent permitted by commercial provisions in the same zone, subject to the same conditions and restrictions of the zone.

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4. Wild Animals Kept as Pets.

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b. Maximum Number Permitted. For each dwelling unit, the occupant may keep the animals listed in Table 22.140.070-B, below.

| TABLE 22.140.070-B: WILD ANIMALS KEPT AS PETS | |
|--|---------------------|
| The following wild animals are permitted. | |
| ... | |
| The following wild animals are permitted, except that on a lot having an area of less than 10,000 square feet per dwelling unit, a maximum of three of the following animals in any combination are permitted. | |
| ... | |
| Chipmunks | Pigeons |
| Finches | Ravens |
| ... | |
| Guinea pigs | Steppe legal eagles |
| ... | |
| Hawks | Turtles |
| ... | |

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d. No animals from species determined to be restricted by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife shall be kept as pets.

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SECTION 10. Section 22.140.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.140.080 Animal Raising.

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C. Hogs or Pigs.

1. Number Permitted. The maximum number of weaned hogs~~, or~~ pigs, or pygmy pigs allowed per lot is:

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2. Development Standards.

a. The pigs or hogs may be kept and located not less than 150 feet from any highway and not less than 50 feet from the side or rear lines of any lot. This Subsection C.2.a shall not apply to pygmy pigs.

b. The pigs or hogs may be kept and located not less than 50 feet from any habitable building. This Subsection C.2.b shall not apply to pygmy pigs.

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SECTION 11. Section 22.140.370 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.140.370 Mobilehome Parks.

A. Applicability. This Section applies to mobilehome parks in all zones where ~~allowed~~permitted.

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SECTION 12. Section 22.140.650 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.140.650 Accessory Overnight Safe Parking.

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E. Requirements. Notwithstanding other Title 22 requirements, accessory overnight safe parking, pursuant to this Section, shall comply with the following:

1. Location. Accessory overnight safe parking is permitted on lots that include an existing parking lot, excluding parking as a transitional use that serves a nonresidential use, and excluding parking as a transitional use subject to Section 22.140.440 (Parking as a Transitional Use).

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SECTION 13. Section 22.140.690 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.140.690 Alternative Financial Services.

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E. Existing Uses.

1. Alternative financial services that were lawfully existing as of ~~(effective date of the ordinance to be inputted here)~~ April 8, 2021, the effective date of this Section, may remain in their present condition, subject to the provisions of Chapter 22.172 (Nonconforming Uses, Buildings, and Structures).

2. Alternative financial services that were lawfully existing as of ~~(effective date of the ordinance to be inputted here)~~ April 8, 2021, the effective date of this Section, may be enlarged, expanded, or relocated only if the business is brought into compliance with the development and performance standards of this Section.

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SECTION 14. Section 22.174.030 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.174.030 Applicability.

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B. Exemptions. ~~This Chapter shall not apply to:~~ An Oak Tree Permit is not required for:

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1. Any oak tree related to any permit, variance, or tentative map for a subdivision, including a minor land division, approved by the Board, Commission, Hearing Officer, or the Director prior to August 20, 1982, the effective date of this Chapter.

2. Cases of emergency caused by an oak tree being in a hazardous or dangerous condition through structural weakness, insect damage or decay, or being

irretrievably damaged or destroyed through flood, fire, wind, or lightning, as determined after visual inspection by ~~a licensed~~the County ~~f~~Forester with the Fire Department, Forestry Division (Fire Department). Following this determination, the County Forester shall issue an Oak Tree Permit Exemption that will be filed with Regional Planning and expire in 90 days. Upon expiration, the tree must be re-inspected by the County Forester for a new Oak Tree Permit Exemption to be issued.

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SECTION 15. Section 22.174.040 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.174.040 Application and Review Procedures.

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B. Additional Application Materials. In addition to Subsection A, above, the following application materials shall be required:

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2. Oak Tree Report.

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v. Identification of those trees shown on the site plan which may be classified as heritage oak trees. ~~Heritage oak trees are either of the following:~~

(1) ~~Any oak tree measuring 36 inches or more in diameter, measured four and one-half feet above the natural grade; or~~

(2) ~~Any oak tree having significant historical or cultural importance to the community, notwithstanding that the tree diameter is less than 36 inches.~~

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D. Application Without a Public Hearing.

1. An application to remove, encroach, or relocate not more than one oak tree in conjunction with a single-family residence permitted in the zone with a Ministerial Site Plan Review (Chapter 22.186), shall be filed and processed in compliance with this Subsection D and this Chapter. An oak tree defined as a Heritage Oak Tree in Chapter 22.14 (Definitions), shall not be eligible for review per this Subsection D, but shall be reviewed in accordance with Subsection E, below.

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SECTION 16. Section 22.222.060 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.222.060 Multiple Applications.

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B. Findings for Multiple Discretionary Applications. ~~When two or more discretionary applications are filed on a property, the Review Authority in making its findings shall consider each case individually and as if each application was filed separately.~~

1. General. When two or more discretionary applications are filed on a property, the Review Authority in making its findings shall consider each case individually and as if each application was filed separately.

2. Housing Accountability Act. When two or more discretionary applications are filed for an emergency shelter or a housing development project, including housing for very low-, low-, or moderate-income households, as defined in

Section 22.14.080, findings and decisions on all such applications shall be subject to Section 22.222.200.B.2 (Housing Accountability Act).

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SECTION 17. Section 22.222.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.222.070 Application Filing and Withdrawal.

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C. Resubmission of Application. No discretionary application shall be filed or accepted if a final action (approval or denial), excluding a denial of an inactive application in accordance with Section 22.222.100 (Denial of Inactive Application), has been taken within one year on an application requesting the same or substantially the same permit.

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SECTION 18. Section 22.222.080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.222.080 Fees and Deposits.

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C. Refunds.

1. Fee Refunds. If an application is withdrawn as provided in Section 22.222.070.D (Withdrawal of Application), the Director shall refund a portion of the filing fee in accordance with the refund policy on file with the Department. The purpose of the refund policy is to ensure that the Department recovers the costs it has incurred up to the time the application is withdrawn. There shall be no refund of any

portion of the filing fee after the publication of notice per Section 22.222.180

(Publication).

a. ~~Three-fourths of the fee shall be refunded if the application is withdrawn prior to the mailing of the first written request by the Director for materials.~~

b. ~~One-half of the fee shall be refunded if the application is withdrawn after the mailing of the first written request by the Director for materials, but prior to publication of notice per Section 22.222.180 (Publication) or prior to the start of the public hearing by the Commission or Hearing Officer.~~

c. ~~There shall be no refund of any portion of the fee after:~~

i. ~~The publication of notice per Section 22.222.180 (Publication);~~

ii. ~~The start of the public hearing by the Commission or Hearing Officer; or~~

iii. ~~The Commission, Hearing Officer, or Director takes final action on the application.~~

2. Deposit Account Refunds. If requested by the applicant, the Director shall refund the unused portion of a deposit account after final action has been taken on an application or after the application has been withdrawn.

SECTION 19. Section 22.222.100 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.222.100 Denial of Inactive Application.

A. Inactive Application. If the applicant does not provide all items required by Section 22.222.070 (Application Filing and Withdrawal) or Section 22.222.090 (Initial

Application Review) within the time period specified by the Director, or, if no time is specified, within 30 days of notification, the Director may deem the application inactive. The Director may extend the time period upon written request from the applicant. ~~Once the Director deems an application inactive,~~Unless contrary to State law, the Director or Hearing Officer may deny an application according to Subsection B or C, below, once the Director deems an application inactive.

B. Denial by Director. When any of the following applications are deemed inactive per Subsection A, above, ~~the Director may deny any application for a Ministerial Site Plan Review (Chapter 22.186) in accordance with the following:~~the application without a public hearing. The Director's decision is final and not subject to administrative appeal.

1. ~~When an application is deemed inactive per Subsection A, above. Denial of an inactive application shall be issued in accordance with Section 22.222.220 (Notice of Action).~~Adult Business Permit (Chapter 22.150);

2. ~~If the Director takes no action on an application within 90 days from the date of filing, it shall constitute a denial of such application.~~Administrative Housing Permit (Chapter 22.166) unless filed concurrently with a discretionary or legislative application;

3. ~~The Director's decision is final and not subject to administrative appeal.~~Los Angeles County Mills Act Program (Chapter 22.168);

4. Lot Line Adjustments (Chapter 22.170);

5. Oak Tree Permit (Chapter 22.174) unless a public hearing is required in accordance with Section 22.174.040;
6. Parking Deviations, Minor (Chapter 22.176);
7. Requests for Reasonable Accommodations (Chapter 22.182);
8. Revised Exhibit "A"s (Chapter 22.184);
9. Site Plan Review, Ministerial (Chapter 22.186);
10. Special Events Permits (Chapter 22.188); and
11. Urban Agriculture Incentive Zone Program (Chapter 22.192).

C. Denial by Hearing Officer. When any application not listed in Subsection B, above, is deemed inactive per Subsection A, above, the Hearing Officer may deny the application without a public hearing. The Hearing Officer's decision is final and not subject to administrative appeal.

~~1. Denial. The Hearing Officer may deny, without a public hearing, any application not listed in Subsection B, above, if such application is deemed inactive per Subsection A, above. The Hearing Officer may allow the applicant to amend such application without the filing of additional application fees prior to final action (denial). Denial of an inactive application shall be issued in accordance with Section 22.222.220 (Notice of Action).~~

~~2. New Application. Once an application is denied for inactivity, any new application shall be filed in compliance with Section 22.222.070 (Application Filing and Withdrawal).~~

D. If an application is denied for inactivity in accordance with Subsection B or C, above, the denial shall be issued in accordance with Section 22.222.220 (Notice of Action). No application requesting the same or substantially the same permit shall be filed or accepted within 30 days after the final action.

SECTION 20. Section 22.222.200 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.222.200 Findings and Decisions.

A. Findings. After evaluating the application, plans, testimony, reports, and all other materials that constitute the administrative record, the Review Authority shall make findings required by this Title 22 or State law. Findings required by this Title 22 are specific to the permit or review, zone, use, supplemental district, or as otherwise specified by this Title 22. The Review Authority may make findings, in addition to the findings required by this Title 22, after evaluating the administrative record.

~~B. Decision. After evaluating the administrative record, the Review Authority may approve, conditionally approve, or deny the application:~~

1. General. After evaluating the administrative record, the Review Authority may approve, conditionally approve, or deny the application:

4a. Approve. Where the Review Authority finds that the administrative record substantiates all of the findings required by this Title 22, the Review Authority may:

aj. Approve the application;

bj. Approve the application contingent upon compliance with applicable provisions of other ordinances; and

eiii. Impose conditions of use deemed reasonable and necessary to ensure that the approval will be in compliance with ~~any~~the findings made by the Review Authority.

2b. Deny. Where the Review Authority finds that the administrative record does not substantiate all of the findings required by this Title 22 for approval, or the administrative record substantiates the findings required by this Title 22 for denial, the Review Authority shall deny the application.

2. Housing Accountability Act. Notwithstanding Subsection B.1, the Review Authority shall not deny, conditionally approve to reduce the density of, or make infeasible emergency shelters or housing development projects, including housing for very low-, low-, or moderate-income households, without making the required findings, pursuant to section 65589.5 of the California Government Code, also known as the Housing Accountability Act.

SECTION 21. Section 22.308.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.308.070 Zone Specific Development Standards.

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E. Zones M-1 and M-1.5.

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9. ~~Outdoor BusinessesCommercial and Industrial Uses.~~ ~~All principal business uses conducted outside an enclosed structure within 500 feet of a Residential Zone, school, or park shall require an approved Conditional Use Permit (Chapter 22.158).~~

a. Any principal commercial and industrial uses conducted outside an enclosed structure shall require a Conditional Use Permit (Chapter 22.158) if located within 500 feet of a Residential Zone, residential use, school, or park, measured from the lot line of the subject property.

b. A Conditional Use Permit shall not be required where the subject property conducts accessory outdoor parking or storage of vehicles, including the accessory outdoor parking or storage of commercial vehicles with registered net weights of 5,600 pounds or less, unladen.

SECTION 22. 22.312.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.312.070 Zone Specific Development Standards.

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B. Commercial and Industrial Zones.

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7. ~~Outdoor Activities~~Commercial and Storage Uses. ~~All principal uses within 500 feet of a residentially or agriculturally zoned property that are conducted outside an enclosed structure or involve outdoor storage shall require a Conditional Use Permit (Chapter 22.158).~~

a. Any principal commercial or industrial use conducted outside an enclosed structure, or that involves outdoor storage, shall require a Conditional Use Permit (Chapter 22.158) if located within 500 feet of a Residential Zone, residential use, or Agricultural Zone, as measured from the lot line of the subject property.

b. A Conditional Use Permit shall not be required where the subject property conducts accessory outdoor parking or storage of vehicles, including the accessory outdoor parking or storage of commercial vehicles with registered net weights of 5,600 pounds or less, unladen.

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SECTION 23. Section 22.350.070 is hereby amended to read as follows:

22.350.070 Zone Specific Development Standards.

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F. Zone M-1.

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2. ~~All activities conducted outside an enclosed structure and located within 500 feet of a Residential Zone, except for parking, vending machines, shopping carts, and accessory uses, shall require a Conditional Use Permit (Chapter 22.158). Any principal commercial or industrial use, except for parking, vending machines, shopping carts, and accessory uses, conducted outside an enclosed structure shall require a Conditional Use Permit (Chapter 22.158) if located within 500 feet of a Residential Zone or residential use, as measured from the lot line of the subject property.~~

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SECTION 24. This ordinance shall be published in The Daily Commerce a newspaper printed and published in the County of Los Angeles.



Janice Hahn
Chair

ATTEST:

Celia Zavala
Celia Zavala
Executive Officer -
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

I hereby certify that at its meeting of August 8, 2023 the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County of Los Angeles by the following vote, to wit:

Ayes
Supervisors Hilda L. Solis
Lindsey P. Horvath
Janice Hahn
Kathryn Barger

Noes
Supervisors None
Absent
Holly J. Mitchell

Effective Date: September 7, 2023
Operative Date: _____

Celia Zavala
Celia Zavala
Executive Officer -
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

I hereby certify that pursuant to Section 25103 of the Government Code, delivery of this document has been made

CELIA ZAVALA
Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

By Dawyn R. Harrison
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:
DAWYN R. HARRISON
County Counsel

By Nicole Davis Tinkham
Nicole Davis Tinkham
Chief Deputy County Counsel

ZONING CASE NUMBER RPPL2021010991

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2023-0039Z

An ordinance amending the County Code, Title 22 – Planning and Zoning, Section 22.06.060, changing regulations for the execution of the Title 22 Tune Up Series 002 Ordinance, comprised of the following Zoned Districts: East Los Angeles Zoned District, Hacienda Heights Zoned District, and Southeast Whittier Zoned District.

The Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 22.06.060 is amended by amending the maps of the following Zoned Districts: East Los Angeles Zoned District, Hacienda Heights Zoned District, and Southeast Whittier Zoned District, as shown on the maps attached hereto.

SECTION 2. The Board of Supervisors finds that this ordinance is consistent with the Countywide General Plan of the Los Angeles County.

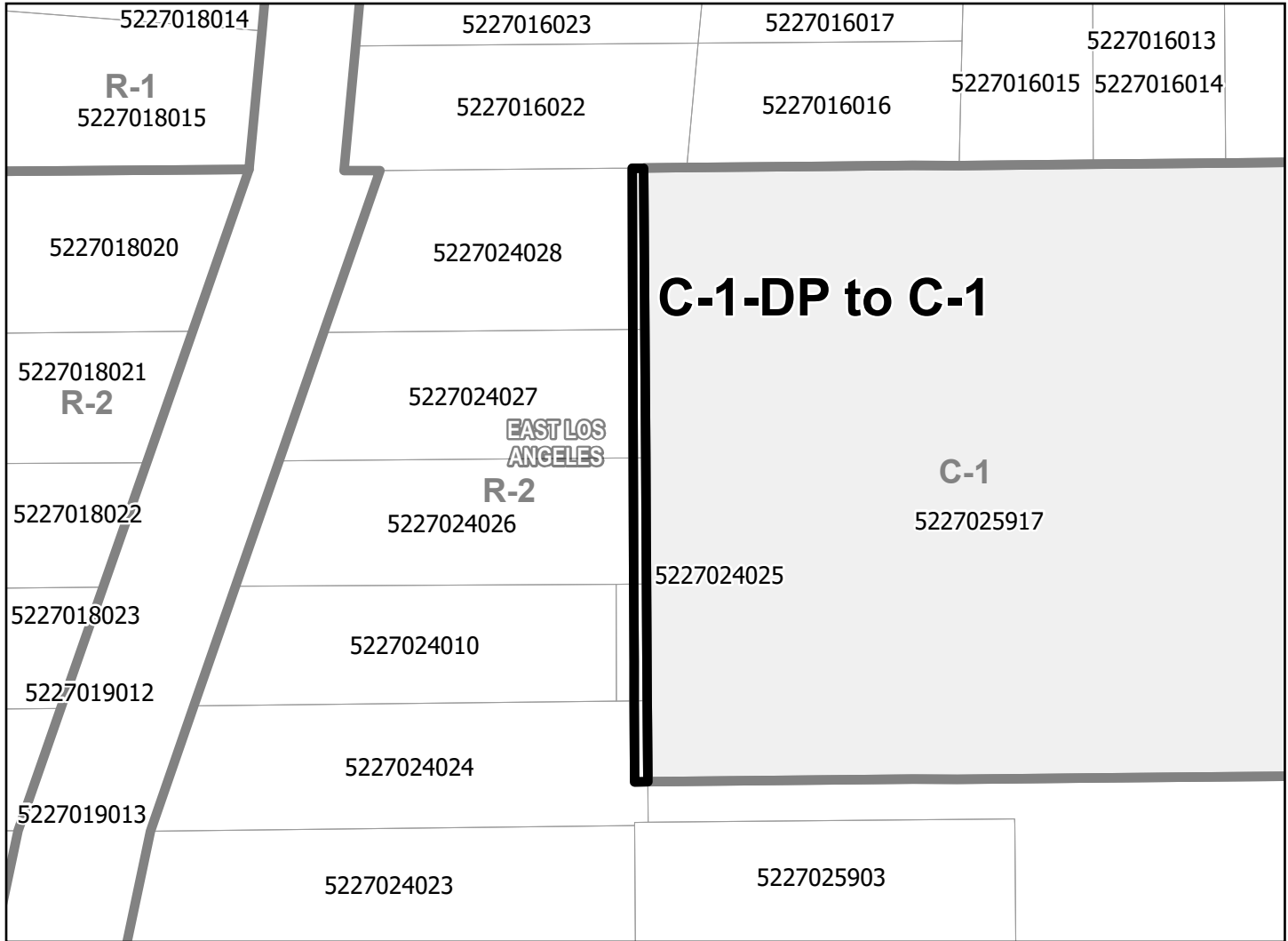
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EAST LOS ANGELES
ZONED DISTRICT

ADOPTED BY ORDINANCE: 2023-0039Z

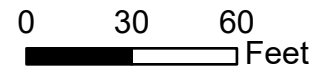
ON: August 8, 2023

AMENDING SECTION: 22.06.060 OF THE COUNTY CODE



- Recommended Updates
- Zoning
- City / Unincorporated
- ZCO 2021-0012z
- Parcels

The Assessor Parcel Number (APN) is to be used for reference only, in addition to any recorded tract or parcel boundaries labeled in the map. The GIS layer shall represent the "digital description" of the zone change area and could represent whole or portions of a parcel per the Assessor GIS database as of the date recorded in the Zone Change Ordinance above.



THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
 YOLANDA DUARTE-WHITE, CHAIR
 AMY J. BODEK, AICP, DIRECTOR OF REGIONAL PLANNING

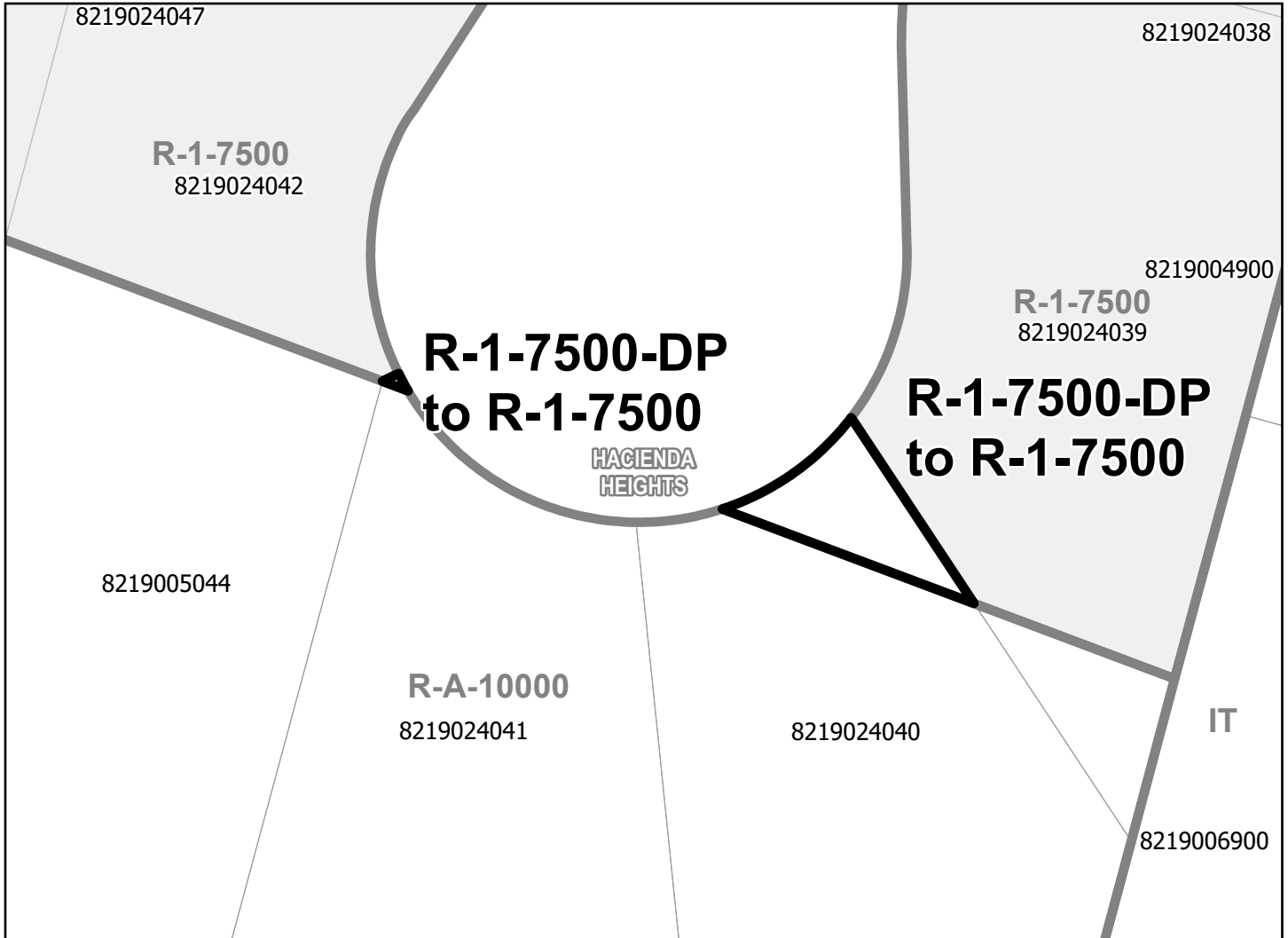
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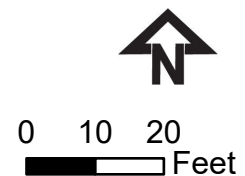
ON: August 8, 2023

AMENDING SECTION: 22.06.060 OF THE COUNTY CODE



-  Recommended Updates
-  Zoning
-  City / Unincorporated
-  ZCO 2021-0012z
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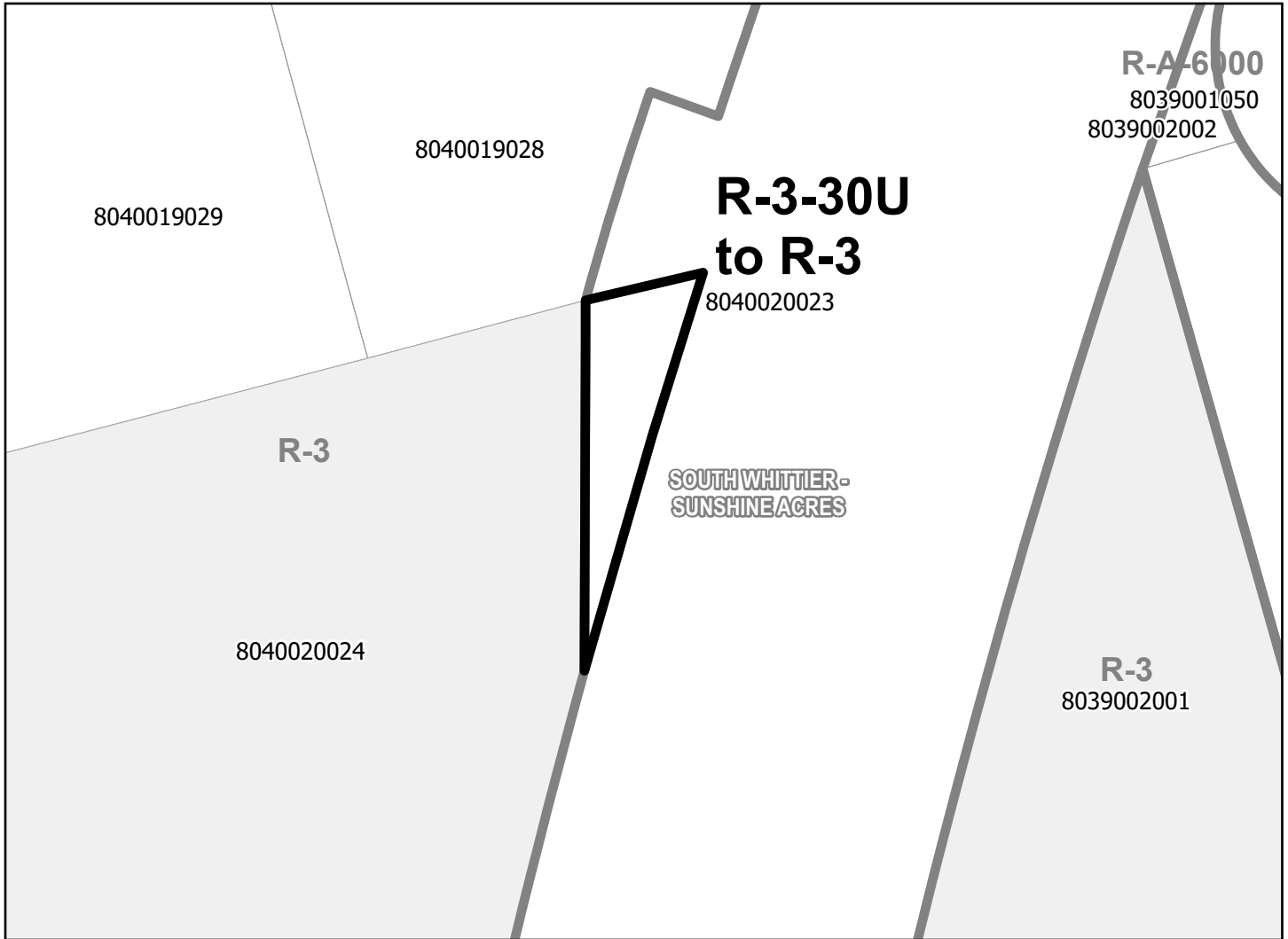
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ZONED DISTRICT

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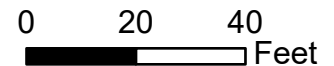
ON: August 8, 2023

AMENDING SECTION: 22.06.060 OF THE COUNTY CODE



- Recommended Updates
- Zoning
- City / Unincorporated
- ZCO 2021-0012z
- Parcels

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SECTION 3. This ordinance shall be published in The Daily Commerce a newspaper printed and published in the County of Los Angeles.



Janice Hahn
Chair

ATTEST:

Celia Zavala
Celia Zavala
Executive Officer -
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles

I hereby certify that at its meeting of August 8, 2023 the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County of Los Angeles by the following vote, to wit:

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Lindsey P. Horvath
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Noes
Supervisors None
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Date: _____



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Deputy Director,
Land Use Regulations

JOSEPH HORVATH
Administrative Deputy,
Administration

March 14, 2023

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**HEARING ON TITLE 22 TUNE UP “SERIES 002” ORDINANCE
PROJECT NO. PRJ2021-003909 - (1-5)
ADVANCE PLANNING CASE NO. RPPL2021010991
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3-VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This Ordinance amends Title 22 (Planning and Zoning) of the Los Angeles County Code to make modifications necessary to correct discrepancies and typographical errors, clarify provisions, reformat and reorganize sections, and ensure consistency with State law and other County regulations. A project summary, comprehensive list of amendments, and the Ordinance are included as Attachments 1, 2 and 3. This is the second series of amendments to Title 22 as part of the Tune Up Program.

On December 20, 2022, the Board rescinded its action of October 18, 2022 to indicate its intent to approve the Title 22 Tune Up “Series 002” Ordinance (Ordinance), Project No. PRJ2021-003909-(1-5) and Advance Planning Case No. RPPL2021010991. The purpose of the rescission was to allow the County to re-notice and re-hear the project with updated agenda language and provide the public with sufficient time to review and provide comments.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD AFTER THE PUBLIC HEARING,

1. Find the adoption of the Ordinance is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA);
2. Indicate its intent to approve the Ordinance (Advance Planning Case No. RPPL 2021010991) as recommended by the Regional Planning Commission (RPC); and

3. Instruct County Counsel to prepare the necessary final documents amending Title 22 of the County Code and bring them back to the Board for their consideration.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

After the comprehensive update to Title 22 became effective on February 29, 2019, DRP undertook an internal process to make periodic updates to the code in order to clarify certain provisions, correct errors, and reflect changes to State law that impact Title 22. DRP refers to this program as the Title 22 Tune Up Program. The Board adopted an ordinance on February 15, 2022, completing the first cycle of amendments to Title 22 under the Tune Up Program.

The RPC held a public hearing on January 26, 2022 and recommended to the Board this Title 22 Tune Up – Series 002 Ordinance. The RPC Proceedings and RPC Resolution are included as Attachments 4 and 5. The changes ensure that Title 22 is coherent, error-free, implementable, and consistent with State law and other County regulations.

KEY COMPONENTS

Corrections of Discrepancies and Typographical Errors

The Ordinance corrects typographical errors and removes outdated provisions. For example, the ordinance corrects errors by replacing Zone District maps within Section 22.06.060 (Zone Districts Established) with new maps created by the adoption of the By-Right Housing Ordinance (2021). The Ordinance corrects errors in Section 22.140.080 (Animal Raising) and clarifies the raising of pygmy pigs in certain zones. Sections 22.140.060 (Animal Keeping, Commercial), 22.140.370 (Mobilehome Parks), and 22.140.580 (Single-Family Residences) are revised for typographical errors and discrepancies.

Clarification of Provisions

The Ordinance adds clarifying language to resolve inconsistencies and ambiguity. Additionally, a definition for Hillside Management Area is being added to Section 22.14.080 (Definitions – H). Subsection B of Section 22.110.190 (Modifications Authorized) is amended to authorize Public Works to modify yards with approval of a Yard Modification (Chapter 22.196) application, while Subsection B of Section 22.174.030 (Applicability) is revised to clarify that an Oak Tree Permit is not required for any oak tree related to any permit, variance, or tentative map for a subdivision, including a minor land division, approved by the Board, RPC, Hearing Officer, or the Director prior to August 20, 1982. Subsection B also clarifies that the County Forester is authorized to identify a hazardous or dangerous condition of an oak tree, defined as having a structural weakness, insect damage, or decay, and issue an Oak Tree Permit Exemption that must be filed with DRP and has a 90-day expiration date. Corrections to subsection E.1 of Section 22.140.650 (Accessory Overnight Safe Parking) includes a code section reference. Subsection D.1 of Section 22.174.040 (Application and Review Procedures) clarifies that an application and public hearing are required for the removal, encroachment, or relocation of a Heritage Oak Tree. Section 22.222.060 (Multiple Applications) clarifies when two or more discretionary applications are filed for an emergency shelter or a housing development project, including housing for very low, lower, or moderate-income households, as defined in Section 22.14.080, and findings and decisions on all such applications shall be subject to Section 22.222.200.B.2 (Housing Accountability Act). Subsection C of 22.222.070 (Application Filing and Withdrawal) clarifies that after an application is denied due to inactivity, regardless of the

decision date, a new discretionary application may be filed or accepted. Subsection C of Section 22.222.080 (Fees and Deposits) establishes a refund policy for withdrawn applications to ensure the Department recovers costs incurred up to the time the application is withdrawn. Section 22.222.100 (Denial of Inactive Application) is revised to clarify that unless contrary to State law, the Director may deny an application for inactivity without a public hearing. This section further establishes that the Director's decision is final and not subject to administrative appeal. Chapter 22.308 and Sections 22.312.070 (Zone Specific Development Standards) and 22.350.070 are updated to clarify when a Conditional Use Permit is required for outdoor uses. Subsection B of Section 22.324.050 (Application and Review Procedures) is superseded by Section 22.222.100 (Denial of Inactive Application) and removed.

Reformatting/Reorganizing of Sections

The definition for Heritage Oak Tree is moved from subsection B.2 of Section 22.174.040 (Application and Review Procedures) to Chapter 22.14 (Definitions) to be consistent with the location of other Title 22 definitions.

Compliance with State Laws and Other County Regulations

The Ordinance amends Title 22 to comply with State law and other County regulations. For example, Section 22.02.050 (Consistency with the General Plan) is revised for consistency with the Housing Accountability Act, while subsection B is revised for consistency with the County Affordable Housing Preservation Ordinance. In addition, the Ordinance adds new definitions to Section 22.14.010 (Definitions - A), making the code consistent with AB 1851 (Buffy Wicks) regarding religious institution affiliated housing development projects. Revisions to Alternative Financial Services definitions in Section 22.14.010 (Definitions – A) makes the code consistent with State regulations. Definitions added to Sections 22.14.010 - A, 22.14.080 - H, and 22.14.190 - S makes the code consistent with the Housing Accountability Act, while removing redundant definitions for banks, check cashing service, credit union, industrial loan company, mortgage lender, and savings and loan association. Parking regulations for religious institutions affiliated with housing developments are added to Section 22.120.080 (Parking). Subsection C.4.d is added to Section 22.140.070 (Animal Keeping, Non-commercial or Personal Use) to prohibit the keeping of animals, from species determined to be restricted by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, as pets. Finally, the Ordinance revises Section 22.222.200 (Findings and Decision) to exempt Housing Accountability Act projects and be consistent with the Act.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Adoption of the Ordinance will promote Goal III – Realize Tomorrow's Government Today, through Strategy III.3 - Pursue Operational Effectiveness, Fiscal Responsibility, and Accountability. Having a clear and implementable Planning and Zoning Code that is error-free and consistent with State Law will improve operational effectiveness of planning services by the County to its constituents.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Adoption of the Ordinance will not result in additional costs to the County. Implementation and enforcement of the Ordinance is an ongoing responsibility of DRP, and thus covered by DRP's operating budget.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the public hearing conducted by the RPC on January 26, 2022, a public hearing before the Board is required pursuant to Section 22.232.040.B.1 of the County Code and Section 65856 of the California Government Code. Required notice was provided pursuant to the procedures and requirements set forth in Section 22.222.180 of the County Code.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

This project qualifies for a Categorical Exemption under Section 15305 (Class 5 Exemption – Minor Alternations in Land Use Limitations) and an exemption under Section 15061(b)(3) of the CEQA and the County environmental guidelines.

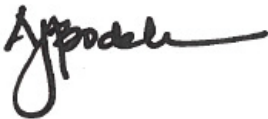
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Approval of the Ordinance will not significantly impact County services.

CONCLUSION

For further information, please contact Bruce Durbin, Supervising Regional Planner, at (213) 974-6432 or bdurbin@planning.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,



Amy J. Bodek, AICP
Director

AJB:CC:BD:lj

- c: Executive Office, Board of Supervisors
- Chief Executive Office
- County Counsel
- Public Works

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING

PROJECT SUMMARY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Title 22 Tune Up (Series 002) Ordinance: Proposed amendment to the Los Angeles County Code (Title 22) to make technical corrections and clarifications, reformat, and reorganize, in order to make the Planning and Zoning Code consistent with State law. This is the second periodic update to Title 22 as part of the Tune Up Program.

REQUEST: Approval and adoption of the proposed Ordinance.

LOCATION: Countywide (unincorporated areas)

STAFF CONTACT: Mr. Bruce Durbin, Supervising Regional Planner at (213) 974-6432 or bdurbin@planning.lacounty.gov

RPC HEARING DATE: January 26, 2022

RPC RECOMMENDATION: Approval and recommendation to the Board to consider adoption of the proposed Ordinance.

MEMBERS VOTING AYE: Hastings, Moon, Duarte-White and Louie

MEMBERS VOTING NAY: None

MEMBERS ABSENT: Third District (Vacant Position)

MEMBERS ABSTAINING: None

KEY ISSUES: The proposed Ordinance amends Title 22 (Planning and Zoning) of the County Code to: make corrections of discrepancies and typographical errors; clarify vague provisions; eliminate redundant language; remove an obsolete zone; reformat and reorganize sections into other sections or as new chapters; and revise land use regulations to comply with State law and other County regulations.

MAJOR POINTS FOR:

The proposed Ordinance will make technical improvements to Title 22 to ensure that the Planning and Zoning Code is clear, consistent, error-free, and easy to interpret and implement, and is updated as a result of recent changes in State law. Instead of a comprehensive update, this will be accomplished through a series of smaller, more frequent updates.

MAJOR POINTS AGAINST:

The scope of the Tune Up is too broad and difficult to track.

**REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
SUMMARY OF PUBLIC HEARING PROCEEDINGS**

TITLE 22 TUNE UP “SERIES 002” ORDINANCE

On January 26, 2022, the Regional Planning Commission (RPC) conducted a duly-noticed public hearing to consider the Title 22 Tune Up “Series 002” Ordinance (Ordinance), which is the second periodic update to Title 22 to: make corrections of discrepancies and typographical errors; clarify vague provisions; reformat and reorganize sections into other sections or as new chapters; and revise land use regulations to comply with State law and other County regulations.

During the hearing, Regional Planning staff (staff) provided an overview of the Ordinance. Ms. Lynne Plambeck of SCOPE stated her concerns regarding updates that were submitted to the RPC a week before the hearing. Ms. Plambeck requested clarification regarding the status of the previous Tune Up (Series 001) that was presented to the Board last year, but was still pending consent. County Counsel clarified that the RPC is not taking action on the previous Ordinance (Tune Up Series 001) at this hearing.

Staff responded that the draft Ordinance was submitted 30 days prior to the RPC hearing. During this time, comments were received from the Los Angeles County Forester. The draft Ordinance was revised and posted for public review one week prior to the RPC hearing.

The RPC closed the public hearing and adopted the resolution recommending that the County of Los Angeles Board of Supervisors find the project is categorically exempt from CEQA requirements pursuant to state and local guidelines and adopt the Ordinance, case No. RPPL 2021010991, with amendments as discussed at the RPC hearing, with a vote of (4-0).

VOTE:

Concurring: Hastings, Moon, Duarte-White, Louie

Dissenting: None

Abstaining: Third District (Vacant Position)

**RESOLUTION
REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
TUNE UP 2021 ORDINANCE
PROJECT NUMBER PRJ2021-003909(1-5)
CASE NUMBER RPPL2021010991**

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County (“County”) Regional Planning Commission (“Commission”) conducted a duly noticed public hearing on January 26, 2022, to consider recommending that the Board of Supervisors (“Board”) adopt the Tune Up 2021 Ordinance (“Ordinance”) to amend Title 22 (Planning and Zoning) of the County Code.

WHEREAS, the Commission finds the following:

1. The proposed Ordinance amends Title 22 of the County Code to correct errors, and to improve consistency and coherency as described in the attached Title 22 Tune Up (2021) Ordinance Summary.
2. On December 11, 2019, the Commission established the Tune Up Program by authorizing periodic updates to Title 22 to make corrections and clarifications on an annual or as-needed basis to ensure that Title 22 is consistent with State law, coherent, error-free, and implementable.
3. The proposed Ordinance is the second periodic update through the Tune Up Program. On February 23, 2020, the Board voted to approve the Title 22 Tune Up (2020) Ordinance. That ordinance is pending final adoption.
4. The proposed Ordinance is consistent with the County’s General Plan and supportive of the policies, including policy LU 2.10: Ensure consistency between land use policy and zoning by undergoing a comprehensive zoning consistency analysis that includes zoning map changes and Zoning Code amendments, as needed.
5. The proposed Ordinance is eligible for a categorical exemption from CEQA requirements per State CEQA Guidelines Section 15305 (Class 5, Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations), and per Guidelines Section 15061(b)(3). The proposed Ordinance is administrative in nature and will result in no physical impacts on the environment.
6. Pursuant to Section 22.222.180 of Title 22, the public hearing notice was published in 14 local newspapers. Additionally, the hearing notice and materials were posted on the Department of Regional Planning (Department) website. Also, interested parties on the Department’s courtesy list were notified via U.S. mail and email.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Commission recommends that the Board:

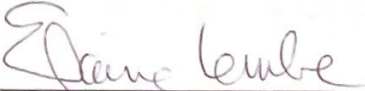
1. Find the adoption of the proposed Ordinance exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; and
2. Adopt the proposed Ordinance to amend Title 22 of the County Code.

I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by a majority of the voting members of the Commission on January 26, 2022.

Elida Luna

Elida Luna,
Interim Commission Secretary
County of Los Angeles
Regional Planning Commission

APPROVED AS TO FORM: OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COUNSEL

By: 
Elaine Lemke
Assistant County Counsel
County of Los Angeles

Attachment: Tune Up Ordinance Summary