



## PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

April 28, 2025

Hon. Karen Bass, Mayor, City of Los Angeles  
Hon. Hydee Feldstein Soto, Los Angeles City Attorney  
Hon. Marqueece Harris Dawson, President, LA City Council  
Hon. Traci Park, Chair, Ad Hoc Committee for LA Recovery  
Hon. Katy Yaroslavsky, Chair, Budget and Finance Committee  
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Vince P. Bertoni, AICP, Director, Los Angeles Dept. of City Planning (DCP)  
Osama Younan, General Manager, Los Angeles Dept. of Building & Safety (LADBS)

*Via email to the above addressees and submission to the City Clerk filing portal in CF 25-0006-S57*

**Re: Mayor's Emergency Order No. 7 re Suspension of Plan Check and Permit Fees; CF 25-0006-S57 (Park); Request to Extend Order and Ordinance to Owners of Multi-family Developments**

Dear Los Angeles City Officials:

As you know, Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has for 53 years been the voice of Pacific Palisades, the community at the epicenter of the Palisades Fire on January 7, 2025 – the most devastating catastrophe ever experienced in Los Angeles. Palisadians continue to suffer both emotionally and financially from the tragedy.

On March 15, 2025, PPCC, via its Executive Committee, submitted our letter supporting CF 25-0006-S57 (Park); stating our position in support of a **full waiver of all plan check and permit fees for rebuilds and repairs**; urging the CAO to complete the required feasibility study and to conclude that a full waiver of fees is required; and requesting that the City Council approve a full waiver of fees as soon as possible. See our letter at: <https://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/03/PPCC-Letter-Waiver-Fees.pdf>.

We are now grateful that Mayor Bass – building upon the motion in CF 25-0006-S57 – has issued her Emergency Order No. 7, suspending plan check and permit fees for owners of **single-family residences and duplexes** in Pacific Palisades, pending the City Council's approval of an ordinance providing for a waiver of such fees.

We write now to make clear that suspension and, ultimately, a full waiver of fees must extend as well to owners of **condominiums, town homes and all multi-family developments in the Palisades burn area**.

As you know, debris removal by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers was extended to owners of multi-family developments. By the same token, there is *no reason to exclude these owners* from the order suspending collection of plan check and permit fees, or from any ordinance (to be prepared by the City Attorney) providing for a waiver of such fees. As one of our Palisades constituents and a condo owner recently stated eloquently:

“As a community, we are interdependent and therefore can’t fully recover when parts of the community are left out.” *(from constituent Roseanne Landay)*

We fully support this statement and principle. PPCC respectfully submits that *all constituents who own residences in the Palisades, whether single-family homes, duplexes, condominiums, townhomes, apartments or other multi-family developments (including applicable mobile home owners), must be treated equally for purposes of suspension and ultimately waiver of these fees.*

PPCC reiterates that a full waiver of plan check and permit fees for all owners seeking to rebuild and return to our beloved community is of the utmost importance to constituents and critical to the reconstruction of Pacific Palisades.

Thank you for your consideration and anticipated prompt attention to this important request.

Sincerely,

Pacific Palisades Community Council Executive Committee:

President Sue Kohl; Vice-President Quentin Fleming; Treasurer Jenny Li; Secretary Beth Holden-Garland;  
Chair Emeritus Maryam Zar; Elected Representative (At-large) Christina Spitz; Organizational Representative (PRIDE) John Padden