



**MINUTES
BUILDING AND FIRE-LIFE SAFETY COMMISSION
SPECIAL MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2020
CIVIC AUDITORIUM EAST WING
3:00 PM**

Call to Order

A special meeting of the Santa Monica Building and Fire-Life Safety Commission was called to order by Chair Muttillo at 3:06 p.m., on Wednesday, January 22, 2020 at the Civic Auditorium East Wing, 1885 Main Street, with Vice Chair Whitaker and Commissioner Bagnell absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Muttillo led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call

The following persons were recorded in attendance by the Recording Secretary:

Present: Chair Charlie Muttillo
Commissioner Daniel Jansenson
Commissioner David Gray
Commissioner Drew Smith
Commissioner Yu-Ngok Lo

Absent: Vice Chair Chuck Whitaker
Commissioner Kit Bagnell

Also present: Eric Binder, Fire Marshal
Ariel Socarras, Building and Safety Manager
Ara Sargsyan, Building Officer
George Cardona, Special Counsel/Chief of Staff
Ariana Vito, Sustainability Analyst
Sandy Naito, Commission Secretary

1. **Special Agenda Items:** None
2. **Reports of Staff/Members**
 - 2.A. **Building and Safety Manager's Report.** Building and Safety Manager, Ariel Socarras, updated the Commission on the Building Code adoption which went into effect on January 1, 2020, however, the solar requirement that the

commission recommended was held back to be included in the Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Socarras introduced the new Building Officer, Ara Sargsyan. Lastly, Mr. Socarras reminded the commissioners to respond to requests regarding their availability for meetings so that it can be determined if there is a quorum or not.

3. **Public Input**

Judy Abdo addressed the commission regarding damage to her building from construction work at a neighboring property.

4. **Approval of Special Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Commissioner Jansenson, seconded by Commissioner Lo to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2019 special meeting as submitted. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote with Commissioner Bagnell and Vice Chair Whitaker absent.

5. **New Business**

5.A. Recommendation to City Council for Adopting Local Amendments and Findings to the 2019 California Building Standards Code to Increase Electric Vehicle Charging Requirements. EV Program Coordinator Ariana Vito presented proposed local amendments that increase access to residential and nonresidential EV charging that reach beyond the state's EV charging infrastructure requirements.

Member of the public Judy Abdo spoke on the recommended action.

Commissioners asked questions including, but not limited to requiring a minimum number of parking spaces in addition to the 10% requirement, cost of electricity, and construction types subject to new requirements

Motion by Commissioner Jansenson, seconded by Commissioner Smith to recommend to Council to adopt the local amendments. The motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Jansenson, Gray, Smith, Lo, Chair Muttillio
Noes: None
Absent: Commissioner Bagnell and Vice Chair Whitaker

6. **Continued Items:** None.

7. **Written Communication:** None received.

8. **Future Agenda Items:** None to report.

Adjournment

On the order of Chair Muttillo, the Building and Fire-Life Safety Commission meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m., with Commissioner Bagnell and Vice Chair Whitaker absent.

Attest:

Approved:



Sandy Naito
Commission Secretary

Chuck Whitaker
Vice Chair

