



CITY OF SANTA MONICA
SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
OF THE
BUILDING AND FIRE-LIFE SAFETY
COMMISSION

VIA TELECONFERENCE PURSUANT TO

EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20 ISSUED BY
GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2020

MEETING BEGINS AT 3:00PM

TELECONFERENCE*: <https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/kzjdtecf>

DIAL-IN NUMBER: 1 (415) 466-7000 (US), PIN 9597448 #

**CHROME BROWSER RECOMMENDED*

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a meeting of the Building and Fire-Life Safety Commission will be held at 3:00 PM, on Wednesday, September 23, 2020. In an effort to reduce spreading of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the members of the Building Fire-Life Safety Commission and City staff will participate via teleconference.

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(Please note that Agenda Items may be reordered during the meeting at the discretion of the body.)

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **SPECIAL AGENDA ITEMS**
 - 4.A. Swearing in of re-appointed Commissioner, Charles Whitaker.
 - 4.B. Swearing in of newly appointed Commissioner, Blair Calderhead.
 - 4.C. Election of Officers: Election of new Commission Chair and Vice Chair.

5. REPORTS OF STAFF

5.A. None

6. PUBLIC INPUT (Only for items on this agenda and within the jurisdiction of the Commission)

7. Approval of Meeting Minutes

7.A. Approval of regular meeting minutes: August 12, 2020.

8. NEW BUSINESS - None

9. CONTINUED ITEMS

9.A.1828 Ocean Avenue – (Plan Review 19BLD-4223) – Continued from 8/12/20. Appeal of the Building Officer and Fire Marshal determination to disapprove an application for Alternate Materials and Methods of Design and Construction associated with a proposed mixed-use building consisting of four levels of Type VA above a three-level Type IA podium. The appellant's request is to allow a vertical offset in the 3-hour fire-resistance-rated horizontal assembly separating the Type IA portion of the building from the Type VA portion of the building above. The designed vertical offsets are proposed at the entry ramps to the subterranean parking garage. (*Staff: Jeff Nespor, Principal Plan Check Engineer*).

10. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION

11. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

ADJOURNMENT

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- Treat everyone courteously;
- Listen to others respectfully;
- Exercise self-control;
- Give open-minded consideration to all viewpoints;
- Focus on the issues and avoid personalizing debate;
- Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forging sound decisions

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BUILDING AND FIRE-LIFE SAFETY COMMISSION

Charles Whitaker, Vice Chairperson
Kit Bagnell, Commissioner
David Gray, Commissioner
Daniel Jansenson, Commissioner
Drew Smith, Commissioner
Yu-Ngok Lo, Commissioner
Blair Calderhead, Commissioner

Eric Binder, Commission Liaison – Fire Prevention
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Ara Sargsyan –Building Officer
Kirsten Galler – Deputy City Attorney
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