



# CITY OF LONG BEACH **NB-27**

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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March 3, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
City of Long Beach  
California

## RECOMMENDATION:

Adopt a resolution authorizing a waiver of permit fees for work in connection with recent flooding to residents on Arlington Street from River Avenue to Hesperian Avenue. (District 7)

## DISCUSSION

On February 17, 2009, the City Council approved an item related to flooding from recent storms in west Long Beach on Arlington Street. Several action steps were approved, including one pertaining to waiving applicable fees for homeowners making repairs to their homes caused by flooding. Under the City's current fee resolution, the City Manager is not authorized to waive permit fees; the attached resolution grants that authority.

With Council approval, all City permit fees associated with work necessary to repair, correct, or replace flood or storm damaged items of properties located on Arlington Street between River Avenue and Hesperian Avenue will be waived. This waiver will be retro-active to cover necessary permits resulting from flooding on February 7, 2009.

This letter was reviewed by Assistant City Attorney Michael J. Mais on February 23, 2009 and by Budget Management Officer Victoria Bell on February 23, 2009.

## TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

Immediate Council action is requested to implement recommendation.

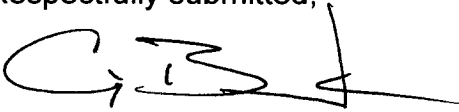
## FISCAL IMPACT

Given the damage caused by the February 7, 2009 flooding, it is anticipated ten to fifteen homes will require City permits for repair work. The permit value is estimated to be less than \$15,000. Approval of the waiver will result in a reduction in revenue in the Development Services Fund (SR137) in the Department of Development Services.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CRAIG BECK  
DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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Attachment: City Council Resolution

APPROVED:

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PATRICK H. WEST  
CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE  
CITY OF LONG BEACH AUTHORIZING A WAIVER OF  
PERMIT FEES FOR WORK TO REPAIR OR CORRECT  
FLOOD AND STORM RELATED DAMAGE ON  
ARLINGTON STREET FROM RIVER AVENUE TO  
HESPERIAN AVENUE

WHEREAS, during the weekend of February 7, 2009, the City of Long  
Beach experienced an unusual amount of rainfall during a short period of time, which  
rainfall event led to flooding in certain areas of the City causing storm and flood related  
damage to homes and properties primarily located in the 2300 block of West Arlington  
Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach has been granted authority by the State  
of California to provide for the health, safety, welfare, comfort and convenience of the  
City and the inhabitants thereof, and for the protection of property therein; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as  
follows:

Section 1. Notwithstanding the fees otherwise specified in Resolution No.  
RES 09-0007 ("the Master Fee Resolution"), the City Council authorizes the City  
Manager, or designee, to waive fees, including Building Permit Fees, Electrical Permit  
Fees, Mechanical Permit Fees, Plumbing Permit Fees, Combined Building Permit Fees,  
NPDES Fees, Plan Check Fees, Grading Fees, Demolition Fees, and applicable  
Surcharge Fees for work applied for to repair, correct, or replace flood and storm related  
damage to properties identified as flood and storm damaged properties.

Section 2. That this waiver of fees shall only apply to such flood and storm  
related damages and properties as determined by the City Manager or designee that are

1 located in the City of Long Beach on Arlington Street from River Street to Hesperian  
2 Avenue.

3 Section 3. That said fees may be waived for an applicant who is rebuilding,  
4 repairing, or replacing legally built structures which have been damaged or destroyed by  
5 flood and/or storm. The fee waiver shall not apply to any portion of a new structure which  
6 exceeds the square footage of the structure being replaced, and shall only be applied to  
7 permits applied for on or before July 1, 2009, unless said date is otherwise extended by  
8 the City Council by resolution.

9 Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by  
10 the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify the vote adopting this resolution.

11 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City  
12 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ by the  
13 following vote:

14 Ayes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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18 Noes: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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20 Absent: Councilmembers: \_\_\_\_\_  
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24 City Clerk  
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**City of Long Beach Memorandum**  
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## REQUEST TO ADD AGENDA ITEM

**Date:** 2/23/09  
**To:** Larry Herrera, City Clerk  
**From:** Patrick H. West, City Manager *[Signature]*  
**Subject:** Request to Add Agenda Item to Council Agenda of March 3, 2009

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Pursuant to Municipal Code Section 2.03.070 [B], the City Councilmembers signing below request that the attached agenda item (due in the City Clerk Department by Friday, 12:00 Noon) be placed on the City Council agenda under New Business via the supplemental agenda.

The agenda title/recommendation for this item reads as follows:

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Council District	Authorizing Councilmember	Signed by
5	GERRIE SEMPSKE	<i>[Signature]</i>
9	Valerich	<i>[Signature]</i>
7	Tonia Reyes Uranga	<i>[Signature]</i>

Attachment: Staff Report dated March 3, 2009

CC: Office of the Mayor