LEGISLATIVE DIGEST

[Building Code - Building Permit Expiration Timelines]

Ordinance amending the Building Code to revise the timing of expiration of certain building permits and building permit applications; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.

Existing Law

Building Code Section 106A.3 sets forth the timing for expiration of any permit application submitted to the Department of Building Inspection, which is either 360 calendar days or 720 calendar days from the time of submittal, depending on the value of the work authorized. Extensions of an additional 360 calendar days or 720 calendar days are also permitted.

Building Code Section 106A.4 sets forth the timing for expiration of any permits issued by the Building Official, which ranges from 360 days to 1,440 days, depending on the value of the work authorized. Extensions of up to 720 days are permitted.

Amendments to Current Law

This ordinance would amend Building Code Section 106A.3 so that any application submitted to the Department shall expire within 365 days of submittal, with a possible extension of 180 days.

This ordinance would amend Building Code Section 106A.4 so that any permit issued by the Department shall expire 365 days from date of issuance if the work authorized has not commenced; or shall expire whenever the Department determines that the work authorized has been suspended, discontinued, or abandoned for a continuous period of 365 days. This ordinance would permit one extension of 180 days.

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