

## **BUILDING INSPECTION COMMISSION (BIC)**

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Ms. Angela Calvillo Clerk of the Board

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Dear Ms. Calvillo:

RE: File No. 220878-2

Ordinance amending the Planning and Building Codes to increase fines and penalties for violations of Planning and Building Code provisions; clarify that violations affecting more than one unit in a building constitute multiple violations for purposes of assessing penalties; requiring the Planning Commission and the Historic Preservation Commission to adopt factors for the Zoning Administrator to consider in determining the appropriate amount of civil penalties; establishing penalties for residential units merged, constructed, or divided without required permits or approvals; establishing penalties for violations involving illegal demolition and enhancement of penalty amounts for certain buildings by age or historic status; providing additional notices for Responsible Parties; affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act; and making findings of consistency with the General Plan, and the eight priority policies of Planning Code, Section 101.1, and findings of public necessity, convenience, and welfare under Planning Code, Section 302.

This amendment was heard at the Code Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on January 11, 2023. The CAC recommended the adoption of ordinance File No. 220878-2 amending the Building Code to increase fines and penalties during code enforcement as written. The CAC did not review proposed amendments to the Planning Code, which is part of the ordinance.

The Building Inspection Commission met and held a public hearing on January 18, 2023 regarding File No. 220878-2 on the proposed amendment to the Planning and Building Codes referenced above. The Commissioners voted unanimously to **recommend approval** of the proposed Ordinance.

President Bito Yes Vice-President Tam Yes Commissioner Neumann Yes Commissioner Shaddix Yes Commissioner Alexander-Tut Yes Commissioner Sommer Yes

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me at (628) 652-3510.

Sincerely,

Sonya Harris

**Commission Secretary** 

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