



## BUILDING INSPECTION COMMISSION (BIC)

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Ms. Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board  
Board of Supervisors, City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4694

Dear Ms. Calvillo:

**RE: File No. 230373**

Sonya Harris  
Secretary

Monique Mustapha  
Asst. Secretary

**Ordinance amending the Existing Building Code to require buildings with 15 or more stories constructed after 1998 to conduct and submit façade inspection reports; and affirming the Planning Department's determination under the California Environmental Quality Act.**

Patrick O'Riordan,  
C.B.O., Director

This amendment was heard at the Code Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on April 12, 2023. The CAC proposed a study of recent window failures to focus the façade inspections required under ordinance File No. 230373 specifically on elements of each building's glazing system.

The Building Inspection Commission met and held a public hearing on April 19, 2023 regarding File No. 230373 on the proposed amendment to the Existing Building Code referenced above. The Commissioners voted unanimously to **recommend approval** of the proposed Ordinance with the following additional recommendations:

- DBI commission a study of all recent window failures by a qualified engineering firm to establish criteria for glazing system-specific façade inspections
- The criteria established in the study is used for the glazing system-specific façade inspections under proposed ordinance File No. 230373

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sonya Harris". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Sonya" and last name "Harris" clearly legible.

Sonya Harris  
Commission Secretary

cc: Patrick O'Riordan, Director  
Mayor London N. Breed  
Supervisor Aaron Peskin  
Board of Supervisors