

File: CF 26-0987 (CPC-2026-259-CA)

Subject: Technical Corrections, Clarifications, and Improvements to Chapter 1A (New Zoning Code)

Position: SUPPORT

Recommendation

The Mar Vista Community Council supports CPC-2026-259-CA, which provides technical corrections, clarifications, and implementation improvements to the City of Los Angeles New Zoning Code. These amendments improve clarity, consistency, and usability of the zoning code without significantly increasing permitted density or height limits.

Rationale

The Mar Vista Community Council supports this ordinance because it:

- Improves transparency and predictability in the development review process by correcting errors, inconsistencies, and unclear language within the New Zoning Code.
- Establishes clearer standards for building width, building breaks, frontage requirements, pedestrian access, parking, bicycle parking, and amenity space, helping residents, property owners, and developers better understand applicable regulations.
- Enhances urban design by encouraging better building articulation and separation of building masses, reducing the appearance of large uninterrupted structures.
- Improves requirements related to residential amenity space and pedestrian-oriented design, supporting more livable and walkable neighborhoods.
- Provides more objective and clearly defined methods for measuring building height and grade plane elevation, reducing disputes and increasing consistency in project review.
- Modernizes bicycle parking and access standards, supporting multimodal transportation options and City sustainability goals.
- Helps ensure efficient implementation of the New Zoning Code while maintaining public review processes and development standards established by prior legislative actions.

Findings

The Mar Vista Community Council finds that CPC-2026-259-CA is primarily an administrative and technical ordinance intended to improve implementation of the City's New Zoning Code rather than a neighborhood-specific rezoning measure. The ordinance does not create a substantial increase in allowable density, height, or intensity of development in Mar Vista but instead provides greater clarity and predictability for all stakeholders.

For these reasons, the Mar Vista Community Council supports CPC-2026-259-CA.

Vote: SUPPORT.

Motion by Curry second by Paddock,

Motion approved

Approved by unanimous consent, with no objections or abstentions

Voting members: Hedge, Blue Curry, Paddock, one constituent.