

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING
ZONING INFORMATION (ZI) FILE

EFFECTIVE DATE: JULY 1, 2021

ZI No. 2498

COUNCIL DISTRICT: CITYWIDE

BACKGROUND: On July 1, 2021, pursuant to Ordinance 187,096, supplemental Local Emergency Temporary Regulations became effective (LAMC Section 16.02.1). Concurrently, as required by the Ordinance, a Resolution was adopted by the City Council to activate these supplemental Temporary Regulations for a period of one year from the end of the Local Emergency declaration issued on March 4, 2020. Currently, the Local Emergency declaration is still valid and ongoing, and no end date for it or the Temporary Regulations established under this Ordinance has been determined.

Note: This ZI will be updated with information pertaining to the end date for these temporary regulations.

ORDINANCE SUMMARY:

The Ordinance supplements the existing temporary regulations available during a declared Local Emergency that are enumerated in Article 6 of the Zoning Code (Chapter 1 of the LAMC). The provisions must be affirmatively activated by the City Council through the adoption of a Resolution. Only then are the Temporary Regulations contained in LAMC Section 16.02.1 active and available for use.

The Ordinance has two relief components: the Extension of Time Limits, which includes extensions for the expiration of certain Conditional Use Permits (CUPs) and Quasi-Judicial approvals (Section 12.24), as well as any concurrent actions; and Automobile Parking Requirements, which grants modifications to existing parking requirements for businesses that meet the eligibility requirements, in certain limited circumstances.

Please reference the Ordinance for the specifics on the respective duration of relief, eligibility criteria, and exceptions.

Extension of Time Limits:

- Utilization and effectuation periods for most CUPs and Quasi-Judicial actions are eligible for an extension.
- CUPs with a term-limit or expiration are eligible for an extension.

- Any concurrent entitlement, as part of a multiple approval that includes an eligible CUP or Quasi-Judicial action, is eligible for an extension.

Automobile Parking Requirements:

- Changes of Use: Applications submitted during the local emergency period for a change of use within an existing building will not trigger new parking requirements.
- Outdoor Dining Areas: For new and expanded outdoor dining areas, no new parking will be required, temporarily, nor will the maintenance of existing parking be required for approved outdoor dining/eating areas.
- Valet Parking: Any Conditions of Approval requiring valet parking will not be enforced during the temporary relief period only.
- Off-Site Parking: Any Conditions of Approval requiring off-site parking will not be enforced during the temporary relief period only.

ORDINANCE & SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS:

The links below contain a copy of the adopted Ordinance and an informational Fact Sheet that provides a detailed overview of the Ordinance along with answers to Frequently Asked Questions.

- **Local Emergency Code Amendment – (Effective July 1, 2021) – [Ordinance 187,096](#)**
- **Local Emergency Code Amendment – [Fact Sheet](#)**