

**ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

An ordinance adding Section 56.33 to Article 6, Chapter V, and amending Section 61.07 of Article 1, Chapter VI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to prohibit the use of any power air blower in the 2025 Palisades, Sunset, Hurst, and Kenneth Fire burn areas to prevent the spread of toxins and other environmental hazards.

**WHEREAS**, the State of California and the City of Los Angeles have declared a state of emergency in response to the January 2025 Windstorm, Palisades Fire, and related fires, including the Sunset, Hurst, and Kenneth Fires;

**WHEREAS**, the 2025 Palisades, Sunset, Hurst, and Kenneth Fires created hazardous conditions, including burned hazardous materials, fire debris, ash, and particulate matter within the burn areas;

**WHEREAS**, there are ongoing risks associated with exposure to the windblown fire debris, ash, and particulate matter; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of power air blowers, such as leaf blowers, stirs up fire debris, ash, and particulate matter into the air, affecting air quality and increasing potential exposure to toxins and other environmental hazards.

**NOW THEREFORE,**

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. Section 56.33 is added to Article 6, Chapter V of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

**SEC. 56.33. PROHIBITION OF POWER AIR BLOWERS IN FIRE BURN AREAS.**

Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 112.04 of this Code, no power air blower, including, but not limited to, a leaf blower, shall be used within the perimeters of the 2025 Palisades Fire, Sunset Fire, Hurst Fire, or Kenneth Fire, as defined by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE). Both the user of a power air blower, as well as the individual who contracted for the services of the user, if any, shall be subject to the penalty provisions for this section. Violation of the provisions of this section shall be punishable as an infraction in an amount not to exceed One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00), notwithstanding the graduated fines set forth in Section 11.00(m) of this Code. This section shall expire on February 1, 2026.

Sec. 2. Subsection 61.07(b) of Article 1, Chapter VI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to add "56.33" to the second table located after the third paragraph.

Sec. 3. Subsection 61.07(c) of Article 1, Chapter VI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to add "56.33" to the table located after the first paragraph.

Sec. 4. **URGENCY CLAUSE.** The City Council finds and declares that this ordinance is required for the immediate protection of public peace, health, and safety for the following reason: In order for the City of Los Angeles to promote public health and safety by limiting exposure to hazardous conditions, including burned hazardous materials, debris, ash, and particulate matter, caused by the 2025 Palisades, Sunset, Hurst, and Kenneth Fires, it is necessary that the amendment to the Los Angeles Municipal Code as reflected in this ordinance become effective as soon as possible. For all these reasons, the ordinance shall become effective upon publication pursuant to Los Angeles Charter Section 253.

Sec. 5. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

Approved as to Form and Legality

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The Clerk of the City of Los Angeles hereby certifies that the foregoing ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, **by a vote of not less than three-fourths** of all its members.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

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Ordinance Passed \_\_\_\_\_

Approved \_\_\_\_\_