

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Adopting the proposed ordinance amending Subsections (g), (h), and (i) of Section 56.08 will only define the Fine amounts for violations of Section 56.08. Additional consideration should be given to the inefficiency associated with Investigation and Enforcement of Section 56.08. The current system relies upon the initiation of a 311 Service Request to begin Investigation and Enforcement action. Investigation by StreetsLA, Investigation & Enforcement investigators is labor intensive and should be limited to only being performed after the offending property owner has been notified by USPS mail of a probable Section 56.08 violation and has been given reasonable time to correct the violation. I would be happy to discuss this matter at length and in more detail with anyone you suggest who may help work out the needed details. Alex Walter

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An ordinance amending Subsections (g), (h), and (i) of Section 56.08 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to harmonize the administrative penalty provisions with existing Administrative Code Enforcement (ACE) program requirements.

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

Section 1. Subsection (g) of Section 56.08 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(g) Any person having charge or control of any lot or premises who violates the provisions of Subsections (a) or (c) shall be subject to the Administrative Fine amounts and criminal penalties set forth in Subsection (h).

Sec. 2. Subsection (h) of Section 56.08 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(h) A first violation of Subsection (a) or (c) in a calendar year is subject to an Administrative Fine of \$50.00. A second violation of Subsection (a) or (c) in the same calendar year is subject to an Administrative Fine of \$100.00. A third violation of Subsection (a) or (c) in the same calendar year is subject to an Administrative Fine of \$150.00. A fourth or subsequent violation of Subsection (a) or (c) in the same calendar year may result in the violation being prosecuted as a misdemeanor, and the violator shall be subject to all penalties applicable to criminal violations.


Sec. 3. Subsection (i) of Section 56.08 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is amended to read as follows:

(i) Unless otherwise specified herein, all Administrative Citations issued for violations of this section shall be subject to the provisions set forth in Article 1.2 of Chapter 1 of this Code, including, but not limited to, the administrative hearing and appeal process and the authority of the City to use any civil remedy available to collect any unpaid Administrative Fine.

Sec. 4. 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.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR

Ordinance Passed _____

Approved _____