

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

An ordinance amending Section 151.03 of Article 1 of Chapter XV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code relating to the Housing Appeal Board and adding a severability clause to Chapter XV.

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

Section 1. A new Subsection D is added to Section 151.03 of Article 1 of Chapter XV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

**D. Housing Appeals Board:** There shall be appointed no less than three members to the Commission, to adjudicate Housing Appeals as provided in Chapter XVI of the Code. Each member is required to be knowledgeable in the applicable building codes, regulations, and ordinances enforced by the Department. Two members of the Housing Appeals Board shall constitute a quorum.

Sec. 2. A new fourth sentence is added to paragraph three of Subsection A of Section 151.03 of Article 1 of Chapter XV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

The decisions of the Housing Appeals Board shall be determined by a majority vote of the members present.

Sec. 3. A new Section 151.34 is added to Article 1 of Chapter XV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

**SEC. 151.34. SEVERABILITY.**

If any provision of this chapter is found to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, that invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions of this chapter which can be implemented without the invalid provisions, and to this end, the provisions of this chapter are declared to be severable. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this chapter and each provision thereof irrespective of whether any one or more provisions are found invalid, unconstitutional or otherwise unenforceable.

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

HYDEE FELDSTEIN SOTO, City Attorney

By Deborah Breithaupt  
DEBORAH BREITHAUPT  
Deputy City Attorney

Date 5-15-23

File No. \_\_\_\_\_

M:\Housing\LAHD\Breithaupt\Hobart\Ordinance Amendment\Ordinance Amending LAMC 151.03 Re Housing Appeals Board Qualifications.docx

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 \_\_\_\_\_