

Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning

Planning for the Challenges Ahead



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SENATE BILL 9: EXTENDED LIFESPAN OF CERTAIN APPROVED OR CONDITIONALLY APPROVED TENTATIVE MAPS

BACKGROUND

On September 16, 2021, the Governor signed Senate Bill (SB) 9 (Atkins), which among many other things amends the Subdivision Map Act to extend the expiration of certain approved or conditionally approved tentative maps.¹

A copy of the State law (Attachment A) is attached for your reference. Please be aware of the following changes pertaining to certain approved or conditionally approved tentative maps.

Extended Lifespan of Certain Tentative Maps

Effective January 1, 2022, pursuant to Government Code Section 66452.6(a), if a subdivider is required to expend \$236,790² or more to construct, improve, or finance public improvements outside the property boundaries of the tentative map (excluding improvements of public rights-of-way that abut the property to be subdivided and that are reasonably related to the development of that property), each filing of a final map shall extend the expiration of the approved or conditionally approved tentative map by 48 months from the date of its expiration, or the date of the previously filed final map,

¹ SB 9 also adds Section 65852.21 and Section 66411.7 to the Government Code, which is covered by a separate memo: SB 9: Ministerial Approvals of Up to Two Principal Dwelling Units and Urban Lot Splits on Single-Family Residential Zones Parcels, January 3, 2022.

² The amount shall be equal to the applicable amount on January 1, 2022 and each calendar year thereafter.

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whichever is later, but no more than 10 years from the date of its approval or conditional approval.

Please note that while SB 9 also allows for an additional extension of 24 months for all approved or conditionally approved tentative maps, this provision shall not be effective unless the County adds it into Title 21 (Subdivisions).

Please also note that the maximum six discretionary one-year time extensions authorized by Government Code Section 66452.6(e) remains unchanged.

If you have any questions regarding this memo, please contact Tina Fung in the Housing Policy Section at (213) 974-6417 or tfung@planning.lacounty.gov.

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Attachment:

A. Government Code Sections 66452.6

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