

ORDINANCE NO. 21-1144

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD APPROVING A ZONE TEXT AMENDMENT TO MODIFY DRIVEWAY GRADE REQUIREMENTS FOR ACCESS TO SOLID WASTE STORAGE LOCATIONS FROM 15% TO 20%, AS ALREADY PERMITTED BY OFF STREET PARKING AND LOADING STANDARDS, CITYWIDE, WEST HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Zone Text Amendment is to amend driveway grade requirements for accessing trash in garages to match allowable driveway grades. Trash removal services can accommodate a 20% grade as is allowed by the Off-Street Parking and Loading Standards, so the Solid Waste Regulations are being amended to increase allowable slope from 15 to 20%.

SECTION 2. A public hearing was duly noticed for the Planning Commission meeting of February 18, 2021 by publication in the Beverly Press newspaper, the West Hollywood Independent Newspaper, and the City website and by announcement on City Channel 6 by February 4, 2021.

SECTION 3. A public hearing was duly noticed for the City Council meeting of March 15, 2021 by publication in the Beverly Press newspaper, the West Hollywood Independent Newspaper, and the City website and by announcement on City Channel 6 by March 4, 2021.

SECTION 4. The proposed zone text amendment is Categorically Exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15061 of the CEQA Guidelines. Section 15061 states that CEQA applies only to projects that have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. Since standard regulations for driveways already allow a 20% driveway grade, the change to the allowable driveway grade for accessing trash storage to align with allowable driveway grade will have no impact on the development of property.

SECTION 5. The City Council of the City of West Hollywood hereby finds that this amendment is consistent with the Goals and Policies of the General Plan, specifically Goal LU-8: Maintain and enhance residential neighborhoods, as this amendment will help facilitate the storage of residential trash inside existing and proposed garages.

SECTION 6. Subsection 19.20.180(D), of Chapter 19.20 of Title 19 of the West Hollywood Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

D. Location and Configuration Requirements. Solid waste, recyclable, and organic material storage areas shall be conveniently located as follows:

1. Solid waste, recyclable, and organic material storage areas shall be located adjacent to, or near one another, or combined. They may only be located inside the building (including but not limited to within subterranean or surface level parking structures), inside a specially designated structure, on the outside of a structure in an approved fence or wall enclosure, in a designated interior court or yard area with appropriate access, or in rear or interior side yards. Exterior storage areas shall not be located in a required front yard, street side yard, parking space, access aisles adjacent to ADA parking spaces, landscaped, or open space areas;

2. The storage areas shall be accessible to residents and employees at all times. Storage areas within multi-family residential projects shall be conveniently located to the dwellings that they are intended to serve;

3. Driveways or aisles shall provide unobstructed access for collection vehicles and personnel with at least the minimum clearance required by the collection methods and vehicles utilized by the designated collector.

4. If a subterranean garage driveway slope is greater than 20 percent at any point, an alternative means of conveying the solid waste, recyclable, and organic containers to grade level, such as a lift, shall be provided.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held this 5th day of April, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:	Councilmember:	D'Amico, Erickson, Shyne, Mayor Pro Tempore Meister, and Mayor Horvath.
NOES:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSENT:	Councilmember:	None.
ABSTAIN:	Councilmember:	None.

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 LINDSEY P. HORVATH, MAYOR

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)
CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD)

I, MELISSA CROWDER, Acting City Clerk of the City of West Hollywood, do hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance No. 21-1144 was duly passed, approved, and adopted by the City Council of the City of West Hollywood at a regular meeting held on the 5th day of April, 2021, after having its first reading at the regular meeting of said City Council on the 15th day of March, 2021.

I further certify that this ordinance was posted in three public places as provided for in Resolution No. 5, adopted the 29th day of November, 1984.

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL THIS 6th DAY OF APRIL, 2021.

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Melissa Crowder (Acting)

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MELISSA CROWDER, ACTING CITY CLERK