



Community & Economic Development Department & the  
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*City of Arts & Innovation*

## **COVID 19 - EMERGENCY DECLARATION AND EXTENSION DEADLINES RELATED TO EXPIRATION OF ENTITLEMENTS AND CONSTRUCTION RELATED PERMITS**

**Effective February 28, 2023**, in accordance with the end of the State of California COVID-19 emergency declaration, the Permit Extension Order, signed by the Director of Emergency Operations on March 18, 2020, and ratified by the City Council on March 31, 2020, regarding the extension of deadlines for City issued entitlements and construction related permits, has expired.

As such, the **Extension Period** will hereby be defined as **March 31, 2020, through February 28, 2023**.

For all entitlements (**except parcel and tract map approvals subject to the Subdivision Map Act of California**) and all construction related permit applications submitted and issued prior to and during the Permit Extension Order, expiration dates were paused during the COVID-19 emergency, with the provision for a 180-day extension at the end of the emergency declaration. Therefore, all entitlements and construction related permit applications **submitted and issued during the Extension Period will have 180 days from February 28, 2023**, to:

- 1. Plan Check Applications:** based on the date a complete application was received, all projects under review that fall within the Extension Period must obtain approvals and permit(s) in accordance with the Municipal Code, or if exhausted, obtain approvals and permit(s) **by August 28, 2023**.
- 2. Issued Permits:** commence construction activity and/or schedule and undergo a successful inspection within one year of permit issuance, or if exhausted, **by August 28, 2023**, to ensure permit(s) remain active in accordance with the Municipal Code.
- 3. Approved Entitlements:** all projects which obtained approved entitlements before or within the extension period **and** were set to expire during the emergency declaration or extension period, may apply for a time extension consistent with Municipal Code Chapter 19.690.050. Applications must be submitted **by August**

**28, 2023.** All timelines for approved entitlements (not expired or expected to expire after the extension period) shall be in accordance with Municipal Code Chapter 19.690. Please note parcel and tract map approvals are subject to the Subdivision Map Act of California.

- 4. In-Process Entitlements:** all entitlement projects that are in-process, whether complete or incomplete applications, shall follow timelines in accordance with Municipal Code Section 19.660.05 and Chapter 19.690.