

Introduced by Council member:

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF PASADENA AMENDING SECTION 14.05.250 OF THE PASADENA MUNICIPAL CODE TO AMEND THE STANDARDS FOR EXCAVATION AND GRADING IN HILLSIDE AREAS. (Retaining Walls).

The People of the City of Pasadena ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 14.05.50 of the Pasadena Municipal Code is amended by adding subsection "C" to read as follows:

"C" Cuts or fills which were created prior to September 1, 1998, and which in the opinion of the Building Official are failing or are in danger of failing, may be supported by retaining walls of heights exceeding 8 feet, provided the following requirements are met:

1. The retaining wall shall be designed by a licensed professional; shall be constructed of either:

- a. shot crete complying with Section 1922 of the Pasadena Building Code, or
- b. concrete cribbing, or
- c. other materials approved by the Building Official.

2. Provisions shall be made for drainage from the supported slope. Drains shall be placed at intervals not to exceed 30 feet measured vertically.

3. The retaining wall shall follow the natural contours of the slope and all materials used to construct such retaining wall shall be of an earth tone color which as closely as possible matches the surrounding hillside.

4. Landscaping approved by the Planning Manager shall be installed on such walls and provisions shall be made in such walls to accommodate the planting and maintenance of such landscaping.

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5. Planting areas described in paragraph 4 above shall be provided with an irrigation system. Such irrigation system shall be approved and inspected prior to constructing the wall.

6. Plans for such walls shall be submitted for approval to the Director of Planning and Permitting, and only upon approval of such, a permit issued.

SECTION 2. The City Clerk shall certify the adoption of this ordinance and shall cause this ordinance to be published in full text.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its publication.

Signed and approved this ____ day of _____ 1998.

Chris Holden
Mayor of the City of Pasadena

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing ordinance was adopted by the City Council of the City of Pasadena at its meeting held _____, 1998, by the following vote:

YES:

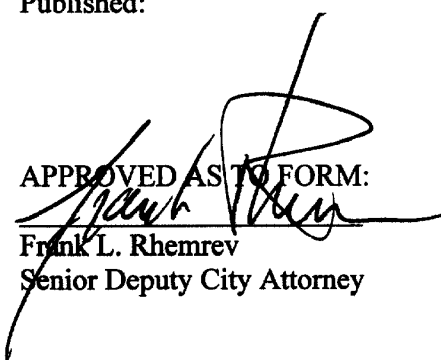
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APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Frank L. Rhemrev
Senior Deputy City Attorney

Jane Rodriguez
City Clerk