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## Land Use Alert

### Residential Developers May Recover Excess Park Fees from the City of Los Angeles

There is an opportunity for developers who have built residential projects between 2004 and 2007 to recover some of the fees imposed by the City of Los Angeles. Between those years, the City of Los Angeles overcharged developers over \$4 million for park fees payable in connection with condominium projects and for-rent residential projects requiring a zone change according to a newly released audit by City of Los Angeles Controller Laura Chick.

#### Information in this Alert Directly Affects:

- **Developers of residential projects in the City of Los Angeles between 2004-2007**
- **Immediate action is needed to get your reimbursement in a timely manner because there will be a large number of applications.**
- Allen Matkins has prepared a draft letter to submit on your behalf. Please contact us to provide the details so that we may submit the letter on your behalf.

### How Can Residential Developers Seek Reimbursement?

Due to the hundreds of anticipated requests, those affected by the overcharge would be well served to submit requests to the City Planning Department as soon as possible.

The City Controller's Office recently received a combined recommendation from the affected City agencies that suggested developers may request refunds from the Planning Department, which will determine eligibility and the amount of reimbursement. Requests should be in writing, and should include at least the following information concerning the affected development project:

- a copy of the decision letter for the approval of land use entitlements for the project with the conditions of approval, issued by the City to the developer;
- a copy of the Planning Department's Quimby Fee calculation letter; and
- a copy of the receipt from the Department of Recreation and Parks evidencing the amount and date the Quimby Fee was paid.

To help you navigate the submission process, we have prepared a draft letter to submit on your behalf. Please contact Michael Gonzales, Tara Kamin, or Michael Kiely at (213) 622-5555 to request the draft letter or with any questions regarding eligibility and reimbursement requirements.

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For additional information regarding the reimbursement of park fees, please visit the link below:

 [Opportunity to Recover Excess City of Los Angeles Park Fees](#)

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