



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Planning Commission

In-Person: City Hall Council Chambers at 505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, CA 92651

Virtual Zoom Link PC: <https://lagunabeachcity.zoom.us/j/93696942810>

Virtual Phone No. PC: (669) 900-9128 / ID NO. 93696942810

Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 6:00 PM

The CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH PLANNING COMMISSION will hold a public hearing on the request below. You may participate in-person at City Hall or virtually on Zoom.

Case No.:	Design Review 22-0484 and Coastal Development Permit 22-0485
Project Site:	Upper and South Bluebird Canyon and Park Avenue (Fuel Modification Zones 17, 18, and 22)
Applicant:	City of Laguna Beach Fire Department
Application Filing Date:	March 19, 2022

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Planning Commission Design Review 22-0484 and Coastal Development Permit 22-0485 for the City of Laguna Beach Fire Department to conduct fuel modification in the City of Laguna Beach and unincorporated County of Orange for the Bluebird Canyon and Park Avenue Fuel Modification Projects. The proposed fuel management practices would provide defensible space adjacent to homes and along a crucial evacuation route to enhance residents' ability to evacuate and allow for safer emergency access during a wildfire. All fuel modification activities would be conducted in accordance with the approved Treatment Protocols for Fuel Modification Zones Subject to Coastal Development Permitting.

The Bluebird Canyon Fuel Modification Project includes Fuel Modification Zone (FMZ) 17 (Upper Bluebird Canyon) and FMZ 18 (South Bluebird Canyon). The Park Avenue Fuel Modification Project includes FMZ 22. FMZ 17 begins on the south side of Temple Hills Drive east of San Remo Drive, generally follows along Temple Hills Drive to the east to Dorn Court, then south along Zell Drive and Bernard Court, and ends near Sommet Du Monde. FMZ 18 includes three areas along Bluebird Canyon Drive: (1) east of Summit Drive, (2) south of Bluebird Canyon Drive and north of Rancho Laguna Road, and (3) north of Summit Drive and La Mirada Street. FMZ 22 extends along Park Avenue, west of Hidden Valley Canyon Road, ending east of Wendt Terrace and Temple Hills Drive.

COASTAL ZONE: This project is located within an appealable area of the Coastal Zone.

CEQA: An Initial Study with a determination of a Mitigated Negative Declaration has been prepared for this project pursuant to the Provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act. The public review and comment period concerning this environmental document is from March 28, 2022 to April 29, 2022, and can be found at: <https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/government/departments/fire/fire-prevention/wildfire-mitigation-vegetation-management/fuel-break-program/expansion-zones>.

MORE INFORMATION: The proposed application package will be available on the City's website the Saturday before the public hearing (<https://www.lagunabeachcity.net/live-here/city-council/meetings-agendas-and-minutes>) and at the Community Development Department public counter during the following hours: Monday – Friday: 7:30am – 4:30pm, closed alternating Fridays.

HOW TO COMMENT: If you have any comments or concerns about the proposed project, please communicate them in writing to **Anthony Viera, Senior Planner at aviera@lagunabeachcity.net** or submit them to the Community Development Department located at 505 Forest Avenue, Laguna Beach, CA 92651. Planning Commissioners may also be contacted to discuss issues and questions about the proposed project. A listing of the Planning Commissioners and their contact information is available in City Hall and on the City's website at www.lagunabeachcity.net. Comments may also be made via teleconferencing during the Public Hearing from a computer, iPad or smart phone or in-person in the Council Chambers.

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons with a disability who require a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in a meeting may request such modification or accommodation from the Zoning Division at (949) 497-0723. Notification 48 hours prior to the meeting will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to assure accessibility to the meeting.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if you challenge this application in court, the issues raised shall be limited to those raised in the public hearing or in written correspondence delivered to the public agency prior to, or at, the public hearing.

Property Owners within 1000 ft./ Tenants within 100 ft./ Property Posted/ California Coastal Commission/ Interested Persons List