



Los Angeles Area
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Michael LoGrande is the Chief Zoning Administrator for the City of Los Angeles Department of City Planning, where he leads the Office of Zoning Administration, which is responsible for reviewing major development projects and quasi-judicial approval as prescribed by the City Charter. The Office of Zoning Administration decides on applications such as Conditional Use Permits for alcohol and live entertainment, as well as variances and a multitude of other discretionary applications. Mr. LoGrande also leads the Planning Department's public policy development unit referred to as Code Studies. His work in the Planning Department has covered a variety of critical initiatives, including the creation of the Expedited Processing Section, which was developed in 2004 and has entitled over 15,000 housing units in a full cost recovery, fast-tracked process. The Expedited Processing Section has entitled major development projects such as Grand Avenue, Concerto, 8th and Grand, Luna, Evo, Hanover, Park Fifth, the Biscuit Company Lofts, Wetherly Project, and the W Hotel.

Mr. LoGrande also directs the City's Revocations and Nuisance Abatement unit. This multi-agency taskforce works to close businesses that create public safety issues throughout various communities in Los Angeles. The Nuisance Abatement Unit has been responsible for shutting down liquor stores, slum hotels, nightclubs serving minors, and various other businesses that operated as a nuisance.

Mr. LoGrande is a native to California and holds degrees in Political Science and Public Administration from California State University, Long Beach. He is the past Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Long Beach Housing Development Company. Mr. LoGrande is a member of the American Planning Association and is involved in many community base planning groups.