



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

BY THE ORANGE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Zoning Code Amendment CA 24-03 (Battery Energy Storage System Facilities), an Ordinance of the County of Orange, State of California, amending sections 7-9-122 and 7-9-134.6 of the Codified Ordinances of the County of Orange.

APPLICANT: OC Public Works/OC Development Services

PROJECT LOCATION: Unincorporated Areas of the County of Orange

PROPOSED PROJECT: Recommend for adoption by the Board of Supervisors the proposed Zoning Code Amendment CA 24-03 to include development standards for Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) facilities located within unincorporated areas of the County of Orange. The intent of BESS facility regulations is to advance and protect public health, safety, and welfare by establishing regulations for the installation and use of BESS facilities within unincorporated Orange County

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION: The proposed Zoning Code Amendment CA 24-03 is exempt (Common Sense Exemption) from the provisions of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15061 (b) (3) since there is no possibility that the addition of regulations for BESS Facilities to the Zoning Code, may have a significant effect on the environment.

HEARING DATE: September 10, 2025

HEARING TIME: 1:30 p.m. (Or as soon as possible thereafter)

HEARING LOCATION: **County Administration North (CAN)**
Multipurpose Room 101
[400 W. Civic Center Drive](#)
[Santa Ana, CA 92701](#)

INVITATION TO BE HEARD:

All persons either favoring or opposing this proposal and all supporting documents are invited to present their views at this hearing. It is requested that any comments, documents, or written responses be submitted to OC Development Services/Planning via email to scarlet.duggan@ocpw.ocgov.com or delivered to 601 N. Ross Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701 prior to the hearing date. If you challenge the action taken on this proposal in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised prior to close of the public meeting described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to OC Development Services/Planning. Comments submitted before the start of meeting will be part of the public record and distributed to the Planning Commission for consideration.

For further information, contact Scarlet Duggan at (714) 667-1606 or scarlet.duggan@ocpw.ocgov.com, or come to the County Service Center at 601 N. Ross Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701.

The Planning Commission staff report, project plans and other supporting materials are available at:

<https://ocds.ocpublicworks.com/service-areas/oc-development-services/planning-development/hearings-meetings/planning-commission>

APPEAL PROCEDURE:

The Approving Authority for this project is the Board of Supervisors, thus there is no appeal process, nor a Board of Appeals relating to the decision of the Planning Commission on this proposal. The Planning Commission is serving as an advisory body and will be making a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors on the project and the associated CEQA determination.