

## Assessor reports sixth consecutive year of growth

Los Angeles County Assessor Jeffrey Prang last week released the 2016 Los Angeles County Assessment Roll, which reflects the value of all taxable property in Los Angeles County.

The 2016 Assessment Roll reveals a 5.58 percent increase in value. The gross assessed value for the county reached \$1.391 trillion, and the net taxable value after exemptions is a record \$1.336 trillion, \$70.619 billion greater than 2015.

"The 2016 Assessment Roll provides a comprehensive view of the strength of the Los Angeles real estate market," Prang said. "The roll illustrates that in the last year, every city in Los Angeles County recorded an increase compared to 2015."

Prang delivered the Assessment Roll to John Naimo, the Auditor-Controller for Los Angeles County. The Auditor-Controller's

Office applies the annual tax rate and submits the data to the County Treasurer and Tax Collector. The Treasurer and Tax Collector mails property tax bills to property owners and collects property tax revenues.

The 2016 Assessment Roll consists of 2,365,869 taxable real property parcels, 309,253 business property assessments, 45,778 boats and 3,109 aircraft. Transfers of real estate were the largest contributor to the Assessment Roll increase at 2.97 percent. Additional contributors to the growth of the roll include decline-in-value restorations (0.51 percent) and new construction (0.51 percent). The annual inflation-adjusted trend (also known as the Consumer Price Index) added an additional 1.32 percent to the Roll.

For more detailed information about the 2016 Assessment Roll, visit <http://assessor.lacounty.gov/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/PR-2016-Assessment-Roll-attachment-final-16-07-14.pdf>

in order to create the 2016 Assessment Roll, the staff of the Assessor's Office processed 365,000 deeds, assessed over 131,000 transfers, enrolled over 58,000 new construction events, reviewed approximately 201,000 decline-in-value parcels and prepared over 37,000 Assessment Appeals Board cases. In the last year, Assessor business personal property staff canvassed over 370,000 businesses and processed over 136,000 property statements.



photo courtesy of the Assessor's office  
Left, Assessor Jeffrey Prang presents the assessment roll to Auditor-Controller John Naimo.

## Watch out for tiger mosquitoes this summer

On the heels of news that there are Asian tiger mosquitos in two neighborhoods in the 13th Council District, Los Angeles City Councilman Mitch O'Farrell urged his constituents this week to take precautions around their homes to prevent infestation of the potentially harmful insects.

O'Farrell hosted a community meeting last week at Friendship Auditorium at 3201 Riverside Dr. to help educate the public about the potential spread of the mosquitoes in the 13th District.

Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District (GLACVC) recently confirmed the existence of Asian tiger mosquitoes (*Aedes albopictus*) in the Silver Lake and Elysian Valley neighborhoods. The tiger mosquitoes have the potential to transmit exotic diseases such as dengue and chikungunya and are considered major nuisances since they readily bite during the day and can affect many activities.

"I want to make sure the city is taking the proper steps to maintain the health and public safety of all Angelenos," O'Farrell said. "We want to keep the mosquito population under control, which will require every resident to check their property for standing water and other places the insects find attractive."

In addition to hosting the community meeting, O'Farrell introduced a city council motion that directs the Bureau of Sanitation, Department of Building and Safety, City Planning and other relevant departments to work with Los Angeles County vector control districts on best practices to deter an

infestation.

"The *Aedes* mosquitoes are at their peak for the summer and once we have a cold spell or two, the adults will be gone for the winter," said Kelly Middleton, GLACVC director of community affairs. "Unfortunately, they will return with warmer weather, which is why we want to remind people to clean up their yards and remove backyard sources that hold water."

Middleton says that the mosquitoes were discovered in Vector Control traps and staff is working with residents to inspect the exterior of homes in the area.

One common problem found at each home is standing water, the use of rain barrels to capture water, or the utilization of sprinkler systems where the water is allowed to pool.

The county is encouraging homeowners to check and make sure there is no standing water. These mosquitoes lay eggs in containers of stagnant water, even something as small as a bottle cap.

"For your own safety, make sure that your rain barrels are fitted with properly installed screens and also check your drip irrigation system for leaks and ponding," said David Pettjohn, LADWP director of water resources. "The city is doing a great job embracing water conservation, but be sure to do it right with your health and safety in mind."

For information about all the invasive mosquitoes that are affecting the area, visit <http://www.glacvcd.org/vector-information/mosquitoes/invasive-mosquitoes/>.

## CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the West Hollywood Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing to consider the following item:

**LOCATIONS:** 9015 SUNSET BOULEVARD, West Hollywood, California

**REQUEST:** Applicant is requesting to remove an existing legally non-conforming, double-sided, roof-mounted sign, and install a freestanding, double-sided, 14' x 48' vertical billboard atop a new creative pole. The proposed billboard is 83 feet in height, as measured from the sidewalk to the top of the billboard.

**PERMIT(S):** Billboard Permit, Development Agreement, Zone Map Amendment, and any other required permits.

**APPLICANT(S):** Ace Outdoor Advertising

**TIME/PLACE** Thursday, August 4, 2016  
**OF HEARING:** at 6:30 p.m.

West Hollywood Park Public Meeting Room – Council Chambers  
625 N. San Vicente Boulevard  
West Hollywood, CA 90069

**ZONES:** SSP (Sunset Specific Plan)

**ENVIRONMENTAL STATUS:** Mitigated Negative Declaration

The staff report will be available on Thursday, July 28, 2016, at City Hall, 8300 Santa Monica Boulevard, the W.H. Library, 625 N. San Vicente Boulevard, and on-line at [www.weho.org](http://www.weho.org)

**IF YOU CHALLENGE** this item in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in the written correspondence delivered to the West Hollywood Planning Commission, via the Community Development Department at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.

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**ALL INTERESTED PERSONS** are invited to attend said Public Hearing to express their opinion in this matter.

For further information contact Adrian Gallo, Associate Planner, in the Community Development Department at (323) 848-6475; or via email at: [agallo@weho.org](mailto:agallo@weho.org)

Yvonne Quarker, City Clerk

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