



Date: March 20, 2017  
To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *T.H.W.*  
From: *AJB* Amy J. Bodek, Director of Development Services  
For: Mayor and Members of the City Council *AJB*  
Subject: **Adoption of Gender-Neutral Restrooms**

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Beginning March 1, 2017, the City of Long Beach requires that all single-user restrooms in any business establishment, City and government buildings, or public place be available to all genders, as well as new accompanying signage, as mandated by State Assembly Bill (AB) 1732. Single-user restrooms are facilities with no more than one toilet and/or urinal, with a locking mechanism on the inside, and designated for use by no more than one occupant at a time or for family or assisted use.

Additionally, in compliance with Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations pursuant to the 2016 Edition of the California Building Code, the required signage, consisting of a geometric triangle and circle, should be placed in clear view at entrances to single-user restrooms. The triangle symbol should contrast with the circle symbol, either light on a dark background or dark on a light background. No pictogram, text, or Braille is required on the symbol. All existing City buildings with single-user toilet facilities are in the process of installing the new required signage to ensure equal access in public accommodations.

The Department of Development Services will be notifying all Long Beach-licensed businesses of this new State law as follows:

- Mailing postcards to all Long Beach-licensed businesses and business associations.
- Posting Information Bulletin BU-052 – Identification of Single-User Toilet Facilities as All-Gender Toilet Facilities on the Development Services website ([www.lbds.info/lbgenderneutralrestrooms](http://www.lbds.info/lbgenderneutralrestrooms)).
- Broadcasting a Public Service Announcement on the LBTV station.
- Informing the public through social media campaign of the new law and requirements.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact David Khorram, Superintendent of Building and Safety, at (562) 570-7713 or [david.khorram@longbeach.gov](mailto:david.khorram@longbeach.gov).

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