



LOS ANGELES AREA  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



# LAND USE, CONSTRUCTION & HOUSING

Chair: Edward Casey, Alston & Bird, LLP  
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## Land Use, Construction & Housing Council November 23, 2015 10 - 11:30 a.m.

### 1. Welcome & Self Introductions

### 2. re:code LA Presentation

*Deborah Kahen, AICP, City Planner, City of Los Angeles  
Edgar Khalatian, Co-Chair, L.A. Zoning Advisory Committee*

### 3. The Reef Presentation

*Will Cipes, VP, The Reef  
Edgar Khalatian, Partner, Mayer Brown*

### 4. Policy Updates

*Alycia Witzling, Public Policy Manager, L.A. Area Chamber of Commerce*

### 5. Closing

#### Hot Topics:

- Clean Up Green Up Initiative
- Value Capture

#### Next Council Meeting

Wednesday, Jan. 27 2016, 10 - 11:30 a.m.



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**Will Cipes**  
Vice President  
The Reef

Mr. Cipes oversees The Reef development project and plays a leading role in evaluating new investment opportunities and financing activities for the ownership. Prior to joining The Reef, Mr. Cipes held key positions with Thomas Safran & Associates, the Los Angeles Community Redevelopment Agency, and CIM Group. Mr. Cipes serves on the boards of LINC Housing and the Glendale Fire Foundation, and is an active member of the Urban Land Institute. Mr. Cipes received a Master of Real Estate Development from the University of Southern California, and a B.A. in Political Studies from Pitzer College.

**Deborah Kahen, AICP**  
City Planner  
City of Los Angeles

Ms. Kahen has extensive Code amendment experience. Notable work includes addressing solar panels, permeable paving, urban agriculture, and implementing the City's first green building program. She currently serves as a supervisor for re:codeLA, a comprehensive rewrite of the zoning code, and as Policy Director for the Los Angeles Chapter of the American Planning Association.

**Edgar Khalatian**  
Co-Chair, Los Angeles, Zoning Advisory Committee  
Partner, Mayer Brown

Mr. Khalatian is a partner in Mayer Brown's Los Angeles office. He primarily represents investors and developers in all aspects of real estate transactions, focusing on land use entitlement matters and CEQA compliance. As an active member of the land use community, Edgar was appointed by Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti and Michael LoGrande, Director of the Los Angeles Department of City Planning, to serve as co-chair of the Los Angeles Zoning Advisory Committee. In this role, he regularly works with the Planning Department to revise the City's outdated zoning code. He also is chairman of the Valley Industry & Commerce Association's Land Use Committee.