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Eric McAnally is an assistant land use planner with the Real Estate, Land Use and Environmental Practice Group in the firm's Los Angeles office.

Areas of Expertise

Eric's primary areas of expertise include zoning and land use analysis, strategic permit and entitlement pathways, and governmental affairs for commercial, mixed-use, hospitality, cultural, and institutional projects. With experience in the private, public, and non-profit sector, he brings a holistic and dynamic approach to urban development, helping cities, non-profits, and private developers understand real estate, local government, and political climates to propel sustainable growth, equitable development, and resilient communities.

Prior to working in the private sector, Eric garnered experience in the public sector with the City of Los Angeles' Urban Design Studio, updating the Los Angeles Citywide Design Guidelines and consulting on major development projects within LA. Concurrently, he was assisting Council District 8's Economic Development Team with community engagement strategies for projects including Destination Crenshaw and Jefferson Beautiful and drafting policy briefs regarding housing and economic development. With the Urban Land Institute, he participated on a team that provided advisory services to the City of Bell on their Los Angeles River Beautification Project, improving their entryway access points for the river. He was also involved with the Trust for Public Land assisting with stakeholder engagement, land conservation easements, and advocating for parks and open space.

Eric received his Master's in Urban Planning (M.P.L.) from USC's Sol Price School of Public Policy, specializing in sustainable land use and urban design. He has led a team in the 2019 Hines Student Competition, has been featured in Mint Mag Issue #4 for spatial equity, and has won second place in APA's 2019 Urban Design Placemaking Writing Competition.

Practices

Real Estate and Land Use

Education

M.P.L., Urban Planning, University of Southern California, 2019

B.S., Psychology, Belmont University, 2015

Languages

Chinese (Mandarin)