

CITY BRIEFS

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FACADE REPORT DUE

Currently, the DOB is conducting the 7th cycle of facade reports for their Facade Safety & Inspection Program. The inspection determines whether the exterior wall of your building requires repair work and is structurally sound, and must be performed by a licensed architect or engineer. *The building's filing deadline is determined by the last digit of the block number* of which the building is located. Find your cycle deadline [here](#).

OWNER TO CONTRACT SPECIAL INSPECTIONS AGENCIES

From the start of this past year, the DOB's new regulations surrounding special inspections agencies are in full effect. These new rules now eliminate the possibility for general contractors to retain their own inspectors. The new administrative code mandates *all building owners are responsible for securing the special inspection agency*. See the building code section [here](#).

DOB STRICTLY ENFORCING NEW SIGN LAWS

The City has started to enforce compliance with local law requirements for *advertising* signs placed on buildings. Specifically, Local Law 31 of 2005 places even more restrictions on the types of signage allowed on buildings, and requires Outdoor Advertising Companies to *register with the DOB before March 22, 2010*. Owners must ensure their advertising signage is in compliance with the new laws and properly registered. Click [here](#) to learn more.