



*Industry Advisory from the  
Building & Safety Department*  
**Certificate of Occupancy  
For Residential Permits  
September 20, 2021**

In past years the Building and Safety Department has relied on the passed 140 – Final Building Inspection as approval to occupy a residential building. With the adoption of our 2019 Administrative Code and to ensure compliance with:

**Section 308.1 – Use or Occupancy.** Except as otherwise provided in this section, no building or structure shall be used or occupied, and no change in the existing occupancy classification of a building or structure or portion thereof shall be made, until the Building Official has issued a Certificate of Occupancy therefor as provided herein. Issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy shall not be construed as an approval of a violation of the provisions of this Code or of other ordinances or codes adopted by this jurisdiction.

Starting October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021 The Building and Safety Department will issue a Certificate of Occupancy for new residential buildings. In order to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy the applicant will need to schedule a 940 – Certificate of Occupancy inspection concurrently with the 140 – Final Building Inspection. Once both inspections are passed the certificate will be available for download at the following website:

[LasVegasNevada.gov/CheckStatus](http://LasVegasNevada.gov/CheckStatus)

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (702) 229-2002 or email me at [mcunningham@lasvegasnevada.gov](mailto:mcunningham@lasvegasnevada.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Mil C." followed by a stylized surname.

Michael Cunningham, P.E.  
Deputy Building and Safety Director  
City of Las Vegas  
Building and Safety Department

