ORDINANCE NO. 178640

An ordinance amending Section 12.04 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code by amending the zoning map,

## THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1.** Section 12.04 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code is hereby amended by changing the zones within the boundaries shown upon a portion of the zone map attached thereto and made apart of Article 2 Chapter 1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, so that such portion of the zoning map shall be as follows:

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**Section 2.** Pursuant to Section 12.20.3 F4 (c), the Windsor Square Historic Preservation Zone shall become effective when a Preservation Plan is approved by the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 12.20.3 E.

Section 3. URGENCY CLAUSE. The City Council finds and declares that this Ordinance is required for the immediate protection of the public health, safety, and welfare for the following reasons. The Windsor Square community has been experiencing a high level of development activity, and applicants have contacted the Department of City Planning to propose projects within the HPOZ area. The Los Angeles City Council has approved an Interim Urgency Ordinance No. 178,400, which was extended by the Council for an additional 10 months and 15 days on March 21, 2007. With an Interim Ordinance in place and a proposed HPOZ pending, further delay will create uncertainty that is likely to lead some applicants to pursue unpermitted work on their properties that will result in adverse impacts to historic resources in the neighborhood. While the Interim Urgency Ordinance exempts rehabilitation projects that are consistent with the Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation, construction of new structures within the Windsor Square community is not permitted under the Interim Urgency Ordinance. Applicants proposing new construction within the subject area have been waiting to present their proposals for review since the initial Council adoption of the Interim Urgency Ordinance on February 7, 2007. Department of City Planning staff has worked expeditiously to process the new HPOZ in order to ensure that applications would not face significant delays and uncertainty during this interim period. By contrast, the HPOZ Ordinance requires that each HPOZ Board agendize two meetings each month, so that applicants under an HPOZ will not face significant delays in presenting proposals for new construction. Once the proposed HPOZ takes effect projects will be reviewed for conformance with the City Planning Commission approved Preservation Plan. The HPOZ in conjunction with this Preservation Plan will ensure clear and consistent regulation of all projects, including both rehabilitation and new construction. The Interim Urgency Ordinance does not include a Preservation Plan that is specifically tailored to the architectural styles and local conditions of the Windsor Square community. Thus, the HPOZ and guidelines in the Preservation Plan are urgently needed to ensure that new construction will not create an unsightly patchwork of design and scale, jeopardizing the overall character of the neighborhood. This is particularly true in Windsor Square, where approximately 89% of the structures are historically intact. For all of these reasons, the Ordinance shall become effective upon publication pursuant to Section 253 of the Los Angeles City Charter.

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Section 4. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance and have it published in accordance with Council policy, either in a daily newspaper circulated in the City of Los Angeles or by posting for ten days in three public places in the City of Los Angeles: one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Main Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall; one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles City Hall East; and one copy on the bulletin board located at the Temple Street entrance to the Los Angeles County Hall of Records.

I hereby certify that this ordinance was passed by the Council of the City of Los Angeles, by a vote of not less than three-fourths of all of its members, at its meeting of  $\_$  APR 1 3 2007-

## FRANK T. MARTINEZ, City Clerk

B١ Deputy Mayor

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ APR 2 7 2007

Approved as to Form and Legality

ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO, City Attorney

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City Attorney

Pursuant to Charter Section 559, I approve this ordinance on behalf of the City Planning Commission and recommend that it be adopted .....

April 11, 2007

File No. CF <u>07-0354-51</u>

Date:

GAIL GOLDBE

Director of Planning