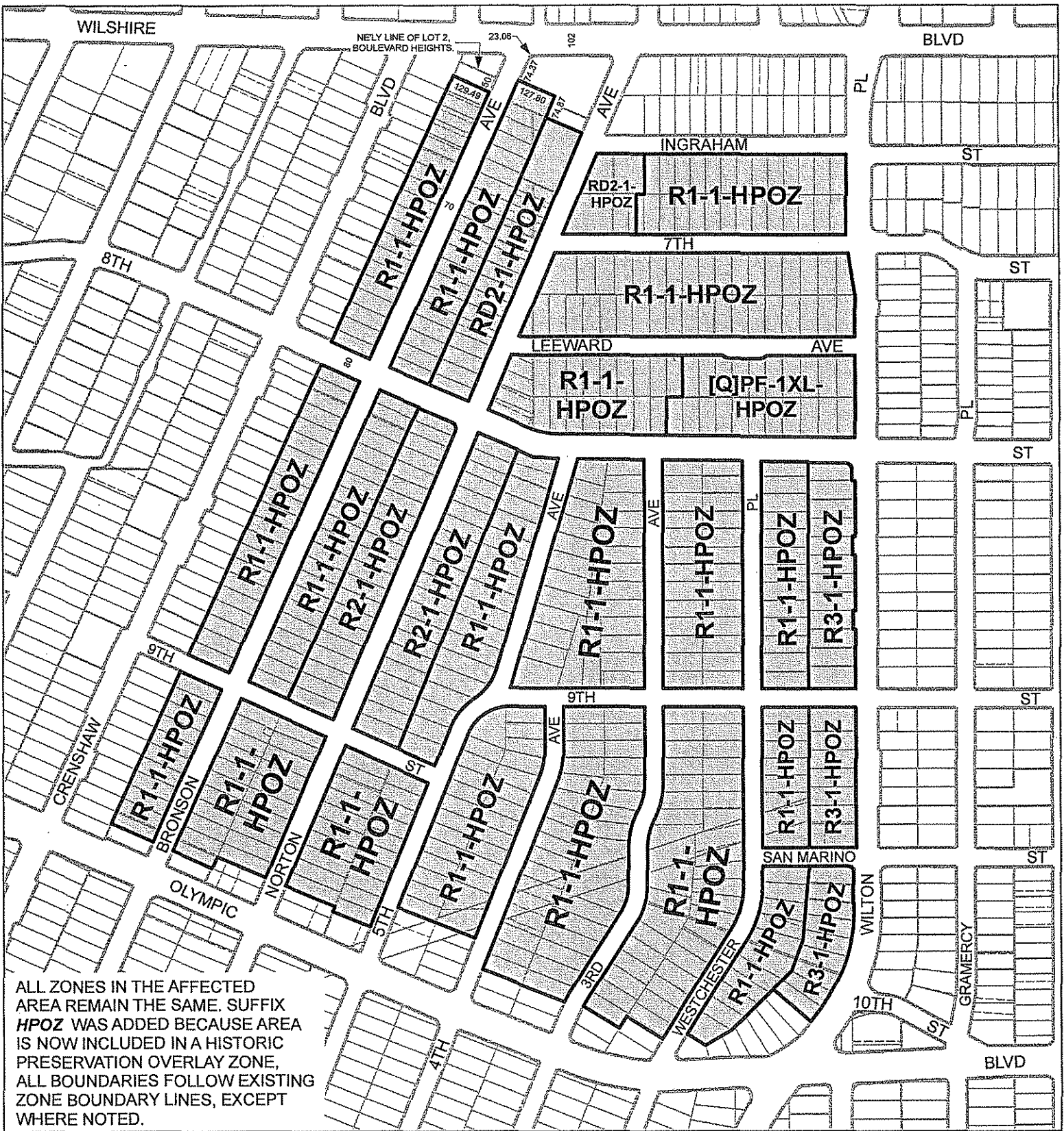


ORDINANCE NO. 180357

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:

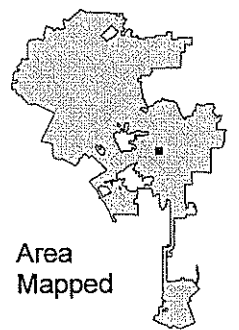


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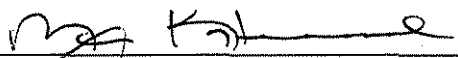
Section 2. Pursuant to Section 12.20.3 F4 (c), the Wilshire Park Historic Preservation Zone (HPOZ) shall not take full effect, with an appointed HPOZ Board, until a Preservation Plan is approved by the City Planning Commission pursuant to Section 12.20.3 E. While the Preservation Plan is being developed, the Wilshire Park HPOZ shall adhere to the HPOZ Ordinance and Historic Preservation Overlay Zone Interim Regulation Procedures outlined in City Planning Case file number CPC-2008-3353-HPOZ.

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 Wilshire Park community has been experiencing a high level of development activity in recent years as evidenced by the number of proposed projects that have been stopped by an Interim Control Ordinance. This Interim Control Ordinance, No. 178,008, is set to expire on November 8, 2008. If the HPOZ is not quickly adopted, Wilshire Park will be left unprotected and likely encourage some applicants to pursue the type of projects that an HPOZ would prevent, resulting in adverse impacts to the neighborhood's historic resources. Before the Interim Control Ordinance was adopted, the Wilshire Park neighborhood was subjected to insensitive remodeling demonstrated by the issuance of nearly 130 building permits since 1999 affecting original exterior features such as the removal of wood windows, and the issuance of four demolition permits for primary residences. With the recent downturn in the housing market, worried sellers are ever more anxious to cheaply "modernize" older homes in hopes of attracting buyers. During the last two years, many of these sellers have contacted the Department of City Planning wanting to make incompatible alterations and asking about the expiration of the ICO. The HPOZ is urgently needed to prevent the loss of irreplaceable historic buildings and 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 Wilshire Park, one of the most well preserved neighborhoods in the City, where approximately 74% of the structures are historically intact. For all of these reasons, the ordinance shall become effective upon publication pursuant to City Charter Section 253.


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 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 NOV 05 2008

KAREN E. KALFAYAN, City Clerk

By  Deputy

Approved NOV 13 2008


Mayor

Approved as to Form and Legality

ROCKARD J. DELGADILLO, City Attorney

By _____

_____ City Attorney

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

October 16, 2008

File No. CF 08-2825

Date: _____


S. GAIL GOLDBERG
Director of Planning