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BongHwan Kim, General Manager Department of Neighborhood Empowerment 334-B East Second Street Mail Stop 968

## SUBJECT: NAMING / RENAMING OF A COMMUNITY, NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL(S) PARTICIPATION

Dear Mr. Kim:

The Los Angeles City Council, at its meeting on January 31, 2006 (Council File 02-0196), adopted a policy for the naming and renaming of a community. As outlined in the policy attached, advocates seeking to establish a name for, or change the name of, their community must first complete and submit a naming application and petition to the City Clerk. Following receipt and review of the application and petition, a copy of the documentation will be forward to the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment (DONE) for their review, and to assist the applicant group in their outreach efforts with the affected Neighborhood Council(s). It will be DONE's responsibility, with the assistance of the City Clerk, to forward a cover letter and naming application(s) to the affected certified Neighborhood Council(s) and any adjacent Neighborhood Council(s) to hold a public hearing, if they so desire, to consider the matter.

The Department of Neighborhood Empowerment will also be responsible for providing assistance, as needed, to the Neighborhood Council(s), in performing the following:

- Reviewing the contents of the application
- Advertising the proposal in affected community and abutting neighborhoods.
- Scheduling and conducting a public hearing on the matter within six months of receipt of the application
- After the public hearing, submitting the findings and Community Impact Statement to the City Clerk to schedule the matter for Council consideration

Attached are the naming/renaming policy, application and related documentation for <u>Koreatown</u>, and the template cover letter to the Neighborhood Council(s) for your review and distribution to the affected Neighborhood Council(s). Since the adopted policy requires that a Council public hearing be scheduled within six months, it is imperative that the Neighborhood Councils conduct their public hearings and submit their findings and Community Impact Statements no later than 5:00 p.m., <u>Friday</u>, June 26, 2009, to the Office of the City Clerk, Room 395, City Hall. If the Neighborhood Council(s) choose not to conduct a hearing on the matter, the City Clerk's Office

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will need to be notified immediately so that the City Council can proceed with their hearing process.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Shannon Hoppes of my staff at (213) 978-1073 or via e-mail at shannon.hoppes@lacity.org.

Sincerely,

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KONRAD CARTER Acting Division Manager

cc: Chang Lee, Applicant Council Districts 1, 4, 10, and 13

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