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14 November 2017

Hon. Bob Blumenfield, Chair, Public Works & Gang Reduction (PWGR) Committee  
Hon. Jose Huizar, Chair, Planning & Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee  
Hon. PWGR and PLUM Committee members: Buscaino, Martinez, Ryu, Rodriguez, Harris-Dawson, Englander, Price  
200 North Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: *CF-09-2645 – Draft Revised Above Ground Facilities (AGF) Ordinance (“Draft Revisions”)*

Honorable Chairs and Members of the PWGR and PLUM Committees:

The Westside Regional Alliance of Councils (WRAC) is a coalition of all 13 neighborhood and community councils in Council Districts 5 and 11. WRAC members strongly support much-needed revision of the City's AGF Ordinance (regulation of cell towers and other facilities in the public right of way), as unanimously directed by the City Council in 2012.

The Draft Revisions of the AGF Ordinance were not completed by the City Attorney until December 2015 (three years after the original Council vote). This matter has now been pending in the PWGR and PLUM Committees for almost two more years, without explanation. In 2017, SB 649 (the bill unanimously opposed by the City Council and WRAC that would have eliminated local government control over cell towers in the public right of way) was introduced in the state legislature. Governor Brown vetoed SB 649 on October 15, 2017. As a result, revision of the City's AGF Ordinance remains viable. Because of the years-long delay in taking action on the directed revisions and because CF 09-2645 expires on December 8, 2017, **WRAC urges the PWGR and PLUM Committees to set this matter for hearing in a joint committee session without further delay.**

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug Fitzsimmons", written over a light blue horizontal line.

Doug Fitzsimmons  
Chair, Westside Regional Alliance of Councils  
President, South Robertson Neighborhoods Council

cc:

Hon. Herb J. Wesson, Jr., President, Los Angeles City Council  
Hon. Paul Koretz, Councilmember, CD5  
Hon. Mike Bonin, Councilmember, CD11  
Daniel Tamm, West Area Representative, Office of Mayor Garcetti  
Michael Espinosa, Legislative Assistant, PWGR Committee  
Zina Cheng, Legislative Assistant, PLUM Committee  
**w/ request for filing in CF 09-2645**