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Honorable Councilmembers  
City of Los Angeles  
c/o City Clerk  
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Attention: Erika Pulst, Legislative Assistant

**PROPOSED SALE OF 77 SURPLUS PROPERTIES WITHIN THE SANTA MONICA  
MOUNTAINS ZONE TO THE SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS CONSERVATION  
AUTHORITY**

The General Services Department (GSD) has undertaken a program to sell all surplus City-owned property in order to return it to the tax rolls as well as generate revenue for the city.

Most surplus property is sold at auction to the highest bidder. In some cases, as defined in Los Angeles Administrative Code (LAAC) Section 7.27 the "Council may determine that the public interest or necessity requires the sale, conveyance, or exchange of real property owned by the City or... of any City interest in the real property without notice of sale or advertisement for bids. In the event of such determination the Council may, by ordinance adopted by the vote of at least two-thirds of all its members authorize the execution of such deed... or other instrument may be necessary to effect such sale..."

Council Motion (C.F. No. 10-0338) directed GSD to effectuate a direct sale of up to 77 properties in Council District 5 within the Santa Monica Mountains Zone and situated along Beverly Glen Boulevard to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC)/Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA). The sale will generate one-time revenue of \$1.5 million in FY 2010-11, because these properties are located within the Santa Monica Mountains, Council may, under Los Angeles Administrative Code [LAAC] Section 5.121.2, dedicate \$750,000 in proceeds from the sale to Conservancy's purchase of the Laurel Canyon parcel for open space purposes.

Section 7.22 of the LAAC also provides that "...the City Administrative Officer shall review the proposed direct sale and recommend to the Council upon its propriety. The



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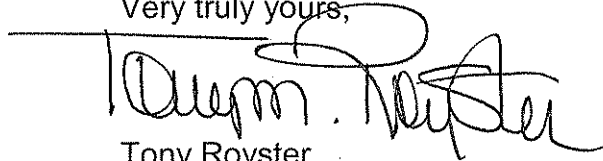
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councilmember of Council District 5 and the Mayor's office support the proposed direct sale.

GSD has conferred with the City Attorney regarding the value the City placed on these properties and the City Attorney has voiced no objection to this sale. GSD requests the authorization to enter into negotiations with the SMCC and execute the Purchase and Sales Agreement prepared by the City Attorney. The terms of the Agreement will be consistent with CF 10-0338, the provisions of California Public Resources Code Section 33207(b) [providing SMMC with a right of first refusal], and LAAC Section 5.121.1. [allowing Council to designate sales proceeds into the Santa Monica Conservancy Trust Fund.] The CAO will also provide an updated report with all its findings.

Exhibits are attached for your convenience. If you need additional information, please contact Mr. David Roberts at (213) 922-8546. We look forward to working with you in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony Royster". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "T".

Tony Royster  
General Manager

Enclosures