MOTION

In the City's hillside areas of Encino are four parcels owned by the City of Los Angeles, located on the East side of 3557, 3561, and 3565 North Alginet Drive, and the West side of 16654 Calneva Drive. In the early 1960's, the lots and the homes on them were damaged by landslides. In 1963 the homes were demolished, and the City has retained ownership of the vacant lots since. On three occasions the City has placed the four lots for sale in "as is" condition for the purpose of selling the surplus property. Despite these attempts, the City has never been able to sell the four lots, and continues to own the property to this day.

As part of a settlement in the case Koujakain vs. The City of Los Angeles, the City and the plaintiff have agreed to evaluate the possibility of selling the four parcels directly to the plaintiff, who is the abutting property owner.

In an attempt to provide additional revenue for City services, and comply with the agreed upon settlement reached in the case of Koujakain vs. The City of Los Angeles, there is a renewed attempt to sell the hillside parcels, which must be designated as "Surplus Property" by General Service Division and Asset Management prior to any attempt to sell the surplus property.

Additionally, with the plaintiff in Koujakain vs. The City of Los Angeles being the only logical purchaser of the four hillside lots due to being the contiguous neighboring property owner, a direct sale to the plaintiff affords the City of Los Angeles the opportunity to relieve itself of the previously un-sellable assets, achieve the conditions set by the settlement agreement, and raise much needed property tax revenue for the General Fund.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the General Services Division and Asset Management begin the process of re-designating 3557, 3561, and 3565 North Alginet Drive, and 16654 Calneva Drive as Surplus Property with the intention to sell the four lots.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council, authorize the Department of General Services, on behalf of the City of Los Angeles, to enter into negations with the plaintiff in Koujakain vs. The City of Los Angeles to sell the four lots of contiguous property directly.

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