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 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT  
**PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

<b>LEAD CITY AGENCY</b> City of Los Angeles	<b>COUNCIL DISTRICT</b> CD 3 - BOB BLUMENFIELD
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<b>PROJECT TITLE</b> ENV-2013-2366-MND	<b>CASE NO.</b> APCSV-2013-2365-ZC-CDO
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**PROJECT LOCATION**  
7112 N AMIGO AVE

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**  
 A zone change, pursuant to Section 12.32.F of the Municipal Code, from (Q)R1-2D-CDO to (T)(Q)RAS is being requested to allow for the construction of twenty-five (25) unit apartment building. The building will consist of 2 level residential over 50 at grade parking parking spaces for a total of 3 stories , 45 feet in height, on a 20,000 square-foot parcel.  
 A Design Overlay Plan Approval, pursuant to Section 13.08.E of of the Municipal Code is also required as this project is within the Reseda Community Design Overlay District.

**NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT IF OTHER THAN CITY AGENCY**  
 Jonathan Azal  
 6745 Darby Ave.  
 Reseda, CA 91335

**FINDING:**  
 The City Planning Department of the City of Los Angeles has Proposed that a mitigated negative declaration be adopted for this project because the mitigation measure(s) outlined on the attached page(s) will reduce any potential significant adverse effects to a level of insignificance  
 (CONTINUED ON PAGE 2)

SEE ATTACHED SHEET(S) FOR ANY MITIGATION MEASURES IMPOSED.

Any written comments received during the public review period are attached together with the response of the Lead City Agency. The project decision-maker may adopt the mitigated negative declaration, amend it, or require preparation of an EIR. Any changes made should be supported by substantial evidence in the record and appropriate findings made.

THE INITIAL STUDY PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT IS ATTACHED.

<b>NAME OF PERSON PREPARING THIS FORM</b> Tom Henry	<b>TITLE</b> City Planning Associate	<b>TELEPHONE NUMBER</b> (213) 978-5061
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<b>ADDRESS</b> 200 N. SPRING STREET, 7th FLOOR LOS ANGELES, CA. 90012	<b>SIGNATURE (Official)</b> [Signature]	<b>DATE</b> NOVEMBER 20, 2013
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**Exhibit E3**

**I-10. Aesthetics (Landscape Plan)**

- Environmental impacts to the character and aesthetics of the neighborhood may result from project implementation. However, the potential impacts will be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measure:
- All open areas not used for buildings, driveways, parking areas, recreational facilities or walks shall be attractively landscaped and maintained in accordance with a landscape plan and an automatic irrigation plan, prepared by a Landscape Practitioner (Sec. 12.40-D) and to the satisfaction of the decision maker.

**III-10. Air Pollution (Demolition, Grading, and Construction Activities)**

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- All unpaved demolition and construction areas shall be wetted at least twice daily during excavation and construction, and temporary dust covers shall be used to reduce dust emissions and meet SCAQMD District Rule 403. Wetting could reduce fugitive dust by as much as 50 percent.
- The construction area shall be kept sufficiently dampened to control dust caused by grading and hauling, and at all times provide reasonable control of dust caused by wind.
- All clearing, earth moving, or excavation activities shall be discontinued during periods of high winds (i.e., greater than 15 mph), so as to prevent excessive amounts of dust.
- All dirt/soil loads shall be secured by trimming, watering or other appropriate means to prevent spillage and dust.
- All dirt/soil materials transported off-site shall be either sufficiently watered or securely covered to prevent excessive amount of dust.
- General contractors shall maintain and operate construction equipment so as to minimize exhaust emissions.
- Trucks having no current hauling activity shall not idle but be turned off.

**VI-10. Seismic**

- Environmental impacts to the safety of future occupants may result due to the project's location in an area of potential seismic activity. However, this potential impact will be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measure:
- The design and construction of the project shall conform to the California Building Code seismic standards as approved by the Department of Building and Safety.

**VIII-10. Explosion/Release (Existing Toxic/Hazardous Construction Materials)**

- Due to the age of the building(s) being demolished, toxic and/or hazardous construction materials may be located in the structure(s). Exposure to such materials during demolition or construction activities could be hazardous to the health of the demolition workers, as well as area residents, employees, and future occupants. However, these impacts can be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measure:
- **(Asbestos)** Prior to the issuance of any permit for the demolition or alteration of the existing structure(s), the applicant shall provide a letter to the Department of Building and Safety from a qualified asbestos abatement consultant indicating that no Asbestos-Containing Materials (ACM) are present in the building. If ACMs are found to be present, it will need to be abated in compliance with the South Coast Air Quality Management District's Rule 1403 as well as all other applicable State and Federal rules and regulations.
- **(Lead Paint)** Prior to issuance of any permit for the demolition or alteration of the existing structure(s), a lead-based paint survey shall be performed to the written satisfaction of the Department of Building and Safety. Should lead-based paint materials be identified, standard handling and disposal practices shall be implemented pursuant to OSHA regulations.
- **(Polychlorinated Biphenyl – Commercial and Industrial Buildings)** Prior to issuance of a demolition permit, a polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) abatement contractor shall conduct a survey of the project site to identify and assist with compliance with applicable state and federal rules and regulation governing PCB removal and disposal.

**XII-20. Increased Noise Levels (Demolition, Grading, and Construction Activities)**

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- The project shall comply with the City of Los Angeles Noise Ordinance No. 144,331 and 161,574, and any subsequent ordinances, which prohibit the emission or creation of noise beyond certain levels at adjacent uses unless technically infeasible.
- Construction and demolition shall be restricted to the hours of 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday through Friday, and 8:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturday.
- Demolition and construction activities shall be scheduled so as to avoid operating several pieces of equipment simultaneously, which causes high noise levels.

- The project contractor shall use power construction equipment with state-of-the-art noise shielding and muffling devices.

**XVII-10. Utilities (Local Water Supplies - Landscaping)**

- Environmental impacts may result from project implementation due to the cumulative increase in demand on the City's water supplies. However, this potential impact will be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measures:
- The project shall comply with Ordinance No. 170,978 (Water Management Ordinance), which imposes numerous water conservation measures in landscape, installation, and maintenance (e.g. use drip irrigation and soak hoses in lieu of sprinklers to lower the amount of water lost to evaporation and overspray, set automatic sprinkler systems to irrigate during the early morning or evening hours to minimize water loss due to evaporation, and water less in the cooler months and during the rainy season).
- In addition to the requirements of the Landscape Ordinance, the landscape plan shall incorporate the following:
  - Weather-based irrigation controller with rain shutoff
  - Matched precipitation (flow) rates for sprinkler heads
  - Drip/microspray/subsurface irrigation where appropriate
  - Minimum irrigation system distribution uniformity of 75 percent
  - Proper hydro-zoning, turf minimization and use of native/drought tolerant plan materials
  - Use of landscape contouring to minimize precipitation runoff
- A separate water meter (or submeter), flow sensor, and master valve shutoff shall be installed for existing and expanded irrigated landscape areas totaling 5,000 sf. and greater.

**XVII-20. Utilities (Local Water Supplies - All New Construction)**

- Environmental impacts may result from project implementation due to the cumulative increase in demand on the City's water supplies. However, this potential impact will be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measures:
- If conditions dictate, the Department of Water and Power may postpone new water connections for this project until water supply capacity is adequate.
- Install high-efficiency toilets (maximum 1.28 gpf), including dual-flush water closets, and high-efficiency urinals (maximum 0.5 gpf), including no-flush or waterless urinals, in all restrooms as appropriate.
- Install restroom faucets with a maximum flow rate of 1.5 gallons per minute.
- A separate water meter (or submeter), flow sensor, and master valve shutoff shall be installed for all landscape irrigation uses.
- Single-pass cooling equipment shall be strictly prohibited from use. Prohibition of such equipment shall be indicated on the building plans and incorporated into tenant lease agreements. (Single-pass cooling refers to the use of potable water to extract heat from process equipment, e.g. vacuum pump, ice machines, by passing the water through equipment and discharging the heated water to the sanitary wastewater system.)

**XVII-40. Utilities (Local Water Supplies - New Residential)**

- Environmental impacts may result from project implementation due to the cumulative increase in demand on the City's water supplies. However, this potential impact will be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measures:
- Install no more than one showerhead per shower stall, having a flow rate no greater than 2.0 gallons per minute.
- Install and utilize only high-efficiency clothes washers (water factor of 6.0 or less) in the project, if proposed to be provided in either individual units and/or in a common laundry room(s). If such appliance is to be furnished by a tenant, this requirement shall be incorporated into the lease agreement, and the applicant shall be responsible for ensuring compliance.
- Install and utilize only high-efficiency Energy Star-rated dishwashers in the project, if proposed to be provided. If such appliance is to be furnished by a tenant, this requirement shall be incorporated into the lease agreement, and the applicant shall be responsible for ensuring compliance.

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**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT**  
**INITIAL STUDY**  
**and CHECKLIST**  
(CEQA Guidelines Section 15063)

<b>LEAD CITY AGENCY:</b> City of Los Angeles		<b>COUNCIL DISTRICT:</b> CD 3 - BOB BLUMENFIELD	<b>DATE:</b> 10/22/2013
<b>RESPONSIBLE AGENCIES:</b> Department of City Planning			
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL CASE:</b> ENV-2013-2366-MND		<b>RELATED CASES:</b> APCSV-2013-2365-ZC-CDO	
<b>PREVIOUS ACTIONS CASE NO.:</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Does have significant changes from previous actions. <input type="checkbox"/> Does NOT have significant changes from previous actions	
<b>PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b> 25-APARTMENT UNITS			
<b>ENV PROJECT DESCRIPTION:</b> A zone change, pursuant to Section 12.32.F of the Municipal Code, from (Q)R1-2D-CDO to (T)(Q)RAS is being requested to allow for the construction of twenty-five (25) unit apartment building. The building will consist of 2 level residential over 50 at grade parking parking spaces for a total of 3 stories , 45 feet in height, on a 20,000 square-foot parcel.  A Design Overlay Plan Approval, pursuant to Section 13.08.E of of the Municipal Code is also required as this project is within the Reseda Community Design Overlay District.			
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SETTINGS:</b> The subject property is two rectangular lots located on the north-east corner of Amigo Avenue and Gualt Street (both local streets). It is two block west of Reseda Boulevard and one block south of Sherman Way (both major highways). The site is currently improved with one single family house, a single story duplex, and a detached garage. Adjacent uses include a church and school across Amigo Avenue to the west, single family residential to the south-west, a small church to the south, and a mix of commercial, intifitional, and multiple residential uses to the north and east. The Reseda-West Van Nuys Community Plan designates the subject property as Community Commercial.			
<b>PROJECT LOCATION:</b> 7112 N AMIGO AVE			
<b>COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:</b> RESEDA - WEST VAN NUYS <b>STATUS:</b>  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Does Conform to Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Does NOT Conform to Plan		<b>AREA PLANNING COMMISSION:</b> SOUTH VALLEY	<b>CERTIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL:</b> RESEDA
<b>EXISTING ZONING:</b> [Q]R1-2D-CDO		<b>MAX. DENSITY/INTENSITY ALLOWED BY ZONING:</b> 1 unit per 5000 sq.ft.	<b>LA River Adjacent:</b> NO
<b>GENERAL PLAN LAND USE:</b> COMMUNITY COMMERCIAL		<b>MAX. DENSITY/INTENSITY ALLOWED BY PLAN DESIGNATION:</b> 1 unit per 400 sq. ft./commercial	
		<b>PROPOSED PROJECT DENSITY:</b> 1 unit per 800 sq. ft.	

**Determination (To Be Completed By Lead Agency)**

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions on the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
- I find the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.

City Planning Associate

(213) 978-5061

Signature

Title

Phone

**Evaluation Of Environmental Impacts:**

1. A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants based on a project-specific screening analysis).
2. All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
3. Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
4. "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of a mitigation measure has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from "Earlier Analyses," as described in (5) below, may be cross-referenced).
5. Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR, or negative declaration. Section 15063 (c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
  - a. Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
  - b. Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
  - c. Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.

6. Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
7. Supporting Information Sources: A sources list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
8. This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
9. The explanation of each issue should identify:
  - a. The significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
  - b. The mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance.

## Environmental Factors Potentially Affected:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AESTHETICS <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AIR QUALITY <input type="checkbox"/> BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES <input type="checkbox"/> CULTURAL RESOURCES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GEOLOGY AND SOILS	<input type="checkbox"/> GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS <input type="checkbox"/> HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY <input type="checkbox"/> LAND USE AND PLANNING <input type="checkbox"/> MINERAL RESOURCES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NOISE	<input type="checkbox"/> POPULATION AND HOUSING <input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC SERVICES <input type="checkbox"/> RECREATION <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS <input type="checkbox"/> MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE
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### INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST (To be completed by the Lead City Agency)

*Background*

**PROPONENT NAME:**

Jonathan Azal

**PHONE NUMBER:**

(818) 402-4772

**APPLICANT ADDRESS:**

6745 Darby Ave.  
 Reseda, CA 91335

**DATE SUBMITTED:**

08/05/2013

**AGENCY REQUIRING CHECKLIST:**

Department of City Planning

**PROPOSAL NAME (if Applicable):**

Potentially significant impact	Potentially significant unless mitigation incorporated	Less than significant impact	No impact
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<b>I. AESTHETICS</b>				
a.	Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?			✓
b.	Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?			✓
c.	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings?		✓	
d.	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?			✓
<b>II. AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES</b>				
a.	Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to nonagricultural use?			✓
b.	Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?			✓
c.	Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?			✓
d.	Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?			✓
e.	Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?			✓
<b>III. AIR QUALITY</b>				
a.	Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?			✓
b.	Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?		✓	
c.	Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?			✓
d.	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?			✓
e.	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?			✓
<b>IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES</b>				
a.	Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?			✓
b.	Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or US Fish and Wildlife Service?			✓
c.	Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?			✓
d.	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?			✓
e.	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?			✓
f.	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?			✓
<b>V. CULTURAL RESOURCES</b>				



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a.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in § 15064.5?		✓	
b.	Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to § 15064.5?		✓	
c.	Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?		✓	
d.	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?		✓	

#### VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS

a.	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.		✓	
b.	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Strong seismic ground shaking?	✓		
c.	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?		✓	
d.	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Landslides?		✓	
e.	Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?		✓	
f.	Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?		✓	
g.	Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property?		✓	
h.	Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?		✓	

#### VII. GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

a.	Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?		✓	
b.	Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?		✓	

#### VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

a.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?		✓	
b.	Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?	✓		
c.	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?		✓	
d.	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?		✓	
e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?		✓	
f.	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?		✓	
g.	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?		✓	

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h.	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?		✓	
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**IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY**

a.	Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?		✓	
b.	Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of preexisting nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?		✓	
c.	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?		✓	
d.	Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?		✓	
e.	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?		✓	
f.	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?		✓	
g.	Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map?		✓	
h.	Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows?		✓	
i.	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?		✓	
j.	Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow?		✓	

**X. LAND USE AND PLANNING**

a.	Physically divide an established community?		✓	
b.	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?		✓	
c.	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?		✓	

**XI. MINERAL RESOURCES**

a.	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?		✓	
b.	Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?		✓	

**XII. NOISE**

a.	Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?		✓	
b.	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?		✓	
c.	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?		✓	
d.	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?	✓		

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e.	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?			✓	
f.	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?			✓	

### XIII. POPULATION AND HOUSING

a.	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?			✓	
b.	Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			✓	
c.	Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			✓	

### XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES

a.	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Fire protection?			✓	
b.	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Police protection?			✓	
c.	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Schools?			✓	
d.	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Parks?			✓	
e.	Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Other public facilities?			✓	

### XV. RECREATION

a.	Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?			✓	
b.	Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?			✓	

### XVI. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC

a.	Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit?			✓	
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Potentially significant impact	Potentially significant unless mitigation incorporated	Less than significant impact	No impact
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b.	Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways?		✓	
c.	Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?		✓	
d.	Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?		✓	
e.	Result in inadequate emergency access?		✓	
f.	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)?		✓	

#### XVII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS

a.	Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?		✓	
b.	Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?		✓	
c.	Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?		✓	
d.	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?	✓		
e.	Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?		✓	
f.	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?		✓	
g.	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?		✓	

#### XVIII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

a.	Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?		✓	
b.	Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?		✓	
c.	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?		✓	

Note: Authority cited: Sections 21083, 21083.05, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 65088.4, Gov. Code; Sections 21080, 21083.05, 21095, Pub. Resources Code; *Eureka Citizens for Responsible Govt. v. City of Eureka* (2007) 147 Cal.App.4th 357; *Protect the Historic Amador Waterways v. Amador Water Agency* (2004) 116 Cal.App.4th at 1109; *San Franciscans Upholding the Downtown Plan v. City and County of San Francisco* (2002) 102 Cal.App.4th 656.

DISCUSSION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

The Environmental Impact Assessment includes the use of official City of Los Angeles and other government source reference materials related to various environmental impact categories (e.g., Hydrology, Air Quality, Biology, Cultural Resources, etc.). The State of California, Department of Conservation, Division of Mines and Geology - Seismic Hazard Maps and reports, are used to identify potential future significant seismic events; including probable magnitudes, liquefaction, and landslide hazards. Based on applicant information provided in the Master Land Use Application and Environmental Assessment Form, impact evaluations were based on stated facts contained therein, including but not limited to, reference materials indicated above, field investigation of the project site, and any other reliable reference materials known at the time.

Project specific impacts were evaluated based on all relevant facts indicated in the Environmental Assessment Form and expressed through the applicant's project description and supportive materials. Both the Initial Study Checklist and Checklist Explanations, in conjunction with the City of Los Angeles's Adopted Thresholds Guide and CEQA Guidelines, were used to reach reasonable conclusions on environmental impacts as mandated under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The project as identified in the project description may cause potentially significant impacts on the environment without mitigation. Therefore, this environmental analysis concludes that a Mitigated Negative Declaration shall be issued to avoid and mitigate all potential adverse impacts on the environment by the imposition of mitigation measures and/or conditions contained and expressed in this document; the environmental case file known as ENV-2013-2366-MND and the associated case(s), APCSV-2013-2365-ZC-CDO. Finally, based on the fact that these impacts can be feasibly mitigated to less than significant, and based on the findings and thresholds for Mandatory Findings of Significance as described in the California Environmental Quality Act, section 15065, the overall project impact(s) on the environment (after mitigation) **will not:**

- Substantially degrade environmental quality.
- Substantially reduce fish or wildlife habitat.
- Cause a fish or wildlife habitat to drop below self sustaining levels.
- Threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community.
- Reduce number, or restrict range of a rare, threatened, or endangered species.
- Eliminate important examples of major periods of California history or prehistory.
- Achieve short-term goals to the disadvantage of long-term goals.
- Result in environmental effects that are individually limited but cumulatively considerable.
- Result in environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

All supporting documents and references are contained in the Environmental Case File referenced above and may be viewed in the EIR Unit, Room 763, City Hall.

For City information, addresses and phone numbers: visit the City's website at <http://www.lacity.org> ; City Planning - and Zoning Information Mapping Automated System (ZIMAS) [cityplanning.lacity.org/](http://cityplanning.lacity.org/) or EIR Unit, City Hall, 200 N Spring Street, Room 763.

Seismic Hazard Maps - <http://gmw.consrv.ca.gov/shmp/>

Engineering/Infrastructure/Topographic Maps/Parcel Information - <http://boemaps.eng.ci.la.ca.us/index01.htm> or City's main website under the heading "Navigate LA".

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Impact?	Explanation	Mitigation Measures
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APPENDIX A: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS EXPLANATION TABLE

<b>I. AESTHETICS</b>		
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
c.	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT UNLESS MITIGATION INCORPORATED	A Three story structure can be a visual blight with out landscaping and architectural enhancements. I-10
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
<b>II. AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES</b>		
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
e.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
<b>III. AIR QUALITY</b>		
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
b.	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT UNLESS MITIGATION INCORPORATED	Demolition of existing structure and new construction activity can release toxice particulates, dust, and other pollutants into the air. III-10
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
e.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
<b>IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES</b>		
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
e.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
f.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
<b>V. CULTURAL RESOURCES</b>		
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
<b>VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS</b>		
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
b.	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT UNLESS MITIGATION INCORPORATED	The project site is located in a area of high seismic activity. VI-10
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	
e.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT	

	Impact?	Explanation	Mitigation Measures
f.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
g.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
h.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
<b>VII. GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS</b>			
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
<b>VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</b>			
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
b.	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT UNLESS MITIGATION INCORPORATED	Site demolition and ground preparation may require the removal of hazardous materials.	VIII-10
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
e.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
f.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
g.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
h.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
<b>IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY</b>			
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
d.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
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i.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
j.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
<b>X. LAND USE AND PLANNING</b>			
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
<b>XI. MINERAL RESOURCES</b>			
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
<b>XII. NOISE</b>			
a.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
b.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
c.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
d.	POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT UNLESS MITIGATION INCORPORATED	Noise generated from demolition and construction can be obnoxious.	XII-20
e.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		
f.	LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT		