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City of Los Angeles  
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Re: April 28, 2015 PLUM Agenda Item No. 2 --- Extension of Interim Control Ordinance 183497 (Council File No. 14-0656)

Honorable Members:

As you know, I fully support the interim control ordinances (ICO) temporarily restricting the construction of residentially zoned properties where construction does not meet neighborhood-specific criteria. Regarding the application of the ICO as it relates to Section 3 F., this letter reflects my comments at your February 24 and March 17 meetings as well as the March 25 Council meeting. It is intended to be part of the legislative history to guide interpretation and application of the ICO.

We understand that the ICO does not prohibit building permits for residential projects on account of their pre-existing exempt remedial grading. Therefore, building permits will issue for projects with large active remedial grading permits already exempt under the BHO through Section 12.21 C 10 (l) (6) so long as any additional residential grading associated with each building permit under Section 12.21.C.10(f)(3)(i), separate and apart from the previously permitted remedial grading, does not exceed the 6,000 cubic yard threshold set forth in the ICO.

This is particularly important to the Fifth District to allow building permits for properties undergoing large remedial grading that have worked with the Department of Building & Safety for years to rectify serious earth movement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter and I look forward to continuing to work with you on the ICO together.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Paul Koretz'.

PAUL KORETZ  
Councilmember,  
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cc: Michael J. LoGrande, Director of Planning  
Ken Gill, Assistant Chief, Department of Building & Safety