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November 8, 2016

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Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
City of Los Angeles  
200 North Spring Street, Room 430  
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Save Sunset Blvd.  
Shadow Hills Property Owners  
Sherman Oaks HO Assn.  
Silver Lake Heritage Trust  
Studio City Residents Assn.  
Sunset Hills Homeowners Assn.  
Tarzana Property Owners Assn.  
Torreyson Flynn Assn.  
Upper Mandeville Canyon  
Upper Nichols Canyon NA  
Whitley Heights Civic Assn.

**Re: Baseline Mansionization Ordinance & Baseline Hillside Ordinance (CF 14-0656)**

Dear Chairman Huizar and Honorable Councilmembers:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc., founded in 1952, represents 45 resident and homeowner associations with approximately 250,000 constituents spanning the Santa Monica Mountains.

As you know, a number of Los Angeles' single family residential communities have benefited from various Interim Control Ordinances to restrict the development of oversized homes by temporarily closing numerous loopholes found in the current Baseline Mansionization and Baseline Hillside ordinances while the City considers amendments. (See CF 14-0656.) Many neighborhoods are not protected by ICOs, however, and continue to be negatively impacted by ongoing development of oversized residential projects due to the continued exploitation of these loopholes. Our City's hillside neighborhoods, in particular, suffer from increased public safety hazards, infrastructure failures, and environmental issues related to oversized projects and excessive grading activity. At its meeting of November 2, the Federation discussed these ongoing impacts and determined that the BMO and BHO amendments should be passed as soon as practicable, preferably before the end of 2016.

The Hillside Federation therefore respectfully requests that the Planning and Land Use Management Committee expeditiously schedule and move consideration of the BMO and BHO amendments to the full Council.

Sincerely,

*Charley Mims*  
Charley Mims, President

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**Mansionization ordinance, resident input**

1 message

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**Leslie Kessler** <leskes@gmail.com>

Tue, Nov 8, 2016 at 9:42 AM

To: sharon.dickinson@lacity.org, CPC@lacity.org, "shawn.Bayliss@lacity.org" &lt;shawn.Bayliss@lacity.org&gt;

Dear all,

I hope that my input is read and considered. I have lived in Beverlywood since 1984. **We built our home on the original footprint** of the previous home, not enlarging it at all. We have raised 4 children here and watched the neighborhood modernize.

I want to go on record as **NOT BEING IN FAVOR of the proposed ordinance** for the following reasons:

1. Within reason, why should I be limited in what I can do on my lot. I paid for it and it is mine. I pay the mortgage and the taxes. We do not live in a socialist country. The new proposed ordinance is NOT within reason. This is not 1950 when these neighborhoods were developed. We have 21st century architecture and 21st century living standards. There is a much more reasonable position between the proposed ordinance, and filling most of the lot with a large structure. The proposed ordinance is simply not reasonable.

2. So 50 % of my neighbors were able to build a house much bigger than any future neighbors? That is fair? NO NO NO

3. I would like to enlarge one room in my home (remember I am on the original footprint). Under the new ordinance, I would not be able to. That is unreasonable and truly ridiculous.

**FIND A BETTER MIDDLE GROUND. ONLY ONE SIDE IS WINNING HERE. THAT IS NOT DEMOCRACY.**

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## Mansionization ordinance

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Tue, Nov 8, 2016 at 3:58 PM

To: Sharon.Dickinson@lacity.org, shawn.bayliss@lacity.org, CPC@lacity.org

Cc: Paul Figueiredo <paulfig@me.com>

As residents of Los Angeles, we want to register our strong support for the ordinance limiting over-building in the city. This sort of construction should be strictly limited as it is both esthetically and environmentally detrimental to our city.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best,

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