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Hillside Ordinance Discussions Pacific Palisades

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Dear Councilman Bonin and Members of the Board of the Pacific Palisades Civic League,

Please find attached to this email a letter directed to the Pacific Palisades Civic League, with a copy to Councilman Bonin and members of his staff and City planning, signed by many residents in the upper Chautauqua and Berea hillside area of Pacific Palisades relating to the hillside zoning discussions. As you will see in the letter, we are opposed to the proposed R1H1 amendments and to any other zoning changes that would continue with the "mansionsiation" of the neighborhood. We would like to pursue an exclusion from this process similar to that which the City granted to the Marquez Knoll neighborhood. Please advise as to how we may accomplish this exclusion.

Very truly yours,

Cori Hayman and the residents on the attached letter.
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September 15, 2016

Pacific Palisades Civic League
PO Box 733
Pacific Palisades, CA 90272

Via Email to ppalisadescivicleague@gmail.com

Dear Mr. Blumenberg and other members of the Board of the Pacific Palisades Civic League:

Reference is made to the telephone call yesterday between Cori Hayman and Mr. Blumenberg wherein Ms. Hayman conveyed that the Civic League is not accurately representing the interest of the hillside area of upper Chautauqua and Berea in connection with the proposed R1H1 zoning ordinance. Please be advised that we do not support the proposed R1H1 ordinance and are hoping to pursue an exclusion from this process similar to that of the Marquez Knoll neighborhood. In that regard, please do not continue to represent to our public officials that the Civic League has our support in this matter.

Please be advised, moreover, that to the extent R1H1 is being pursued in the hillside area, we are deeply concerned about the rapid pace this process is undergoing. Has there been adequate architectural testing to assess neighborhood impact? How will views be impacted? How will views from the village looking up to the hillside be impacted? How much green space will be lost? With substandard roads, has there been a traffic and safety study completed relative to large-scale construction and development? These questions are just a few that need to be answered for sound long-range planning purposes.

Finally, we care greatly about the community and are saddened by the short-term approach taken by the Civic League, certain homeowners, and real estate developers with respect to the continued "mansionization" of the "Alphabet" streets. Green space will be further lost and the homes will begin to look more and more like those in the South Bay. The remaining rural characteristics of these residential lots are at risk of being forever lost for our future generations. While we recognize there is virtually nothing we can do to protect that part of our community, we hope that the long-range planning experts on the part of Los Angeles who have been so successful throughout the rest of the City in this process, will be able to educate the community on the permanency of the impacts of the zoning decisions.

Thank you for all of the important work you do in protecting our community.

Very truly yours,

Russell and Cori Hayman
Ann Kerr-Adams and Kenneth Adams
Judge Dean and Sharon Pregerson
Lawrence and Charlotte Sherman
Michael Kovac and Karina Maher
Dave Witherow and Gena Bell
Mick Jackson and Hilary Henson
Stewart and Ruth Levine
Martha Zaharia
Liz and Gerry Renert
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