Contact Information Neighborhood Council: Greater Toluca Lake Neighborhood Council Name: Ryan Altoon Phone Number: <u>818-516-3855</u> Email: <u>ryan.altoon@gtlnc.org</u> The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(9) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0) Date of NC Board Action: 05/13/2016 Type of NC Board Action: For

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Summary: The GTLNC supports the beautification of the lot located at 4958 Cahuenga Blvd, North Hollywood, CA 91601 ("Cahuenga/Addison Lot").

The Cahuenga/Addison Lot is a remnant parcel from a former street-widening project on Addison. As a result, this Lot has remained vacant for over a decade as it is too narrow to reasonably develop due to setbacks. The Lot currently has a dilapidated/rusted chain-link fence that is positioned five (5) feet off the property line and sidewalk. As a result it encourages public dumping of trash, couches, etc. at this site on a weekly basis, and has become an attractive nuisance in the community and a potential fire hazard. This is especially problematic given its close proximity to Toluca Lake Elementary School and the surrounding residential community.

The GTLNC Board voted unanimously to improve the beautification of this site, and remove the public safety issue from the community. The GTLNC understands that this site must remain a "visual amenity" with no public access, as it is not a designated public park (the site currently owned by General Services). Given this constraint, the GTLNC, in conjunction with EnrichLA, developed a landscape plan (attached) – utilizing drought tolerant and native plants - that was approved by the community, GTLNC Board, and prior Council office. The GTLNC has partnered with EnrichLA to implement this project, utilizing their General Liability insurance to cover the volunteer labor that will install the improvements. The GTLNC will commit to maintain the site (landscape and watering) for a period of two (2) years to allow the planting material to become established.

The GTLNC has submitted a letter of support, along with a sources and uses funding matrix, images of existing site conditions, and the proposed landscape improvement plan. We look forward to a partnership with the City of Los Angeles, and CD4, in the implementation of this project.