

PLANNING DEPARTMENT TRANSMITTAL TO THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

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CITY PLANNING CASE:	ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:	COUNCIL DISTRICT:		
CPC-2006-5567-CPU, CPC-2006-5567-CPU-M1, CPC-2006-5567-CPU-M2	ENV-2008-478-EIR	5,8,10		
PROJECT ADDRESS:				
LOCATION: The project area is generally bounded by Venice and Pico Boulevards at the north; Arlington and Van Ness Avenues at the east, Ballona Creek and Robertson Boulevard at the west; and the Baldwin Hills at the south. Other community plan areas and various jurisdictions that are adjacent to the West Adams – Baldwin Hills – Leimert CPA include, the Wilshire CPA (City of Los Angeles) to the north, the South Los Angeles CPA (City of Los Angeles) to the east, the West Los Angeles CPA and Palms-Mar Vista-Del Rey CPA (City of Los Angeles) and the City of Culver City to the west, as well as the City of Inglewood and unincorporated Los Angeles County to the south.				
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION: A community plan update has been proposed, for which the Final Environmental Impact Report has been prepared. The project is described as follows:

The West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan (Recommended Plan) includes changes in land use and zoning that facilitates revitalization within the Community Plan Area and accommodates growth. Utilizing a targeted growth approach, the Community Plan provides a variety of commercial, industrial and mixed-use development opportunities near public transit, services, and amenities, while conserving the character of adjacent residential neighborhoods. The Recommended Plan preserves open space and natural resources in the Baldwin Hills, and incentivizes development at stations along the two light rail transit lines that traverse the Community Plan Area. The Recommended Plan would conserve the character of existing single- and multi-family residential neighborhoods by directing growth away from existing low density and hillside areas and instead focusing growth along higher-intensity transit corridors and at commercial nodes.

As a "Quality of Life Plan", the policies of the Recommended Plan emphasize the importance of planning for health and sustainability; improved mobility; community character and urban design, as well as better access to open space and parks. There are also policies for improving the attractiveness and functionality of commercial and industrial areas and for promoting cultural tourism. The establishment of lively and walkable commercial and transit-oriented districts is a key goal of the Recommended Plan as is the preservation and conservation of the Community Plan Area's numerous historic neighborhoods. Proposed land use changes would be implemented by General Plan amendments, zone changes, height district changes, amendments to the Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan, the establishment of a CPIO District, street designation changes, and other long-range implementation programs.

COMMISSION ACTION(S) / ZONING ADMINISTRATOR ACTION(S): (CEA's PLEASE CONFIRM)

At its meetings on April 11, 2013, February 11, 2016 and June 23, 2016 the following actions were taken by the City Planning Commission:

- Conducted limited public hearings on the Recommended Plan. The Recommended Plan includes modifications in response to comments submitted during the Hearing Officer Public Hearing held on January 15, 2013, the initial April 11, 2013 action of the CPC, as well as the June 7, 2016 modifications requested by PLUM to the February 11, 2016 action of the CPC recommending approval of the Proposed Plan. A history of the actions are described in the Recommendation Report of the respective case files.
- 2. **Approved** the April 11, 2013, February 11, 2016 and June 23, 2016 Recommendation Reports to serve as the Commission Report, thereby affirming the Commission's initial approval of the Recommended Plan in its entirety including the additional modifications as requested by the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee of the City Council at their June 7, 2016 public hearing regarding the Recommended Plan.
- 3. **Approved** the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan Resolution, Community Plan (Policy Document), the Change Area Matrix and Map, and the General Plan Land Use Map inclusive of the symbol, footnote, corresponding zone and land use nomenclature changes amending, as modified, the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan as part of the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles.
- 4. **Approved** the requested rezoning actions to effect changes of zone as identified in the Change Area Matrix and Map the proposed Community Plan Implementation Overlay (CPIO) District and the proposed Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan Amendments, as modified.
- 5. **Approved** an ordinance amending the existing Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 176,230) pursuant to procedures set forth in Section 11.5.7 (Specific Plan Procedures) and Section 16.50 (Design Review Board Procedures) of the Municipal Code, as modified.
- 6. **Approved** the proposed supplemental development regulations of the West Adams Community Plan Implementation Overlay (CPIO) District, including all modifications.
- 7. **Instructed** the Department of City Planning to finalize the necessary General Plan land use designation, zone and height district change ordinances to be presented to City Council to achieve zone consistency pursuant to Government Code section 65860 (d) as indicated in the Change Area Map and Matrix and make other technical corrections as necessary.
- 8. **Approved** the amended Citywide General Plan Circulation Map of the Mobility Element (Mobility Plan 2035) of the General Plan to reclassify selected streets within the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan as modified on the Street Reclassification Matrix.
- 9. **Approved** the amended Long-Range Land Use Diagram of the Citywide General Plan Framework Element to reflect changes and modifications to the geography of neighborhood districts, community centers, regional centers, and mixed-use boulevards as shown on the Recommended General Plan Framework Map.
- 10. **Authorized** the Director of Planning to present the resolution, Community Plan (Policy Document) and General Plan amendments to the Mayor and City Council, in accordance with Sections 555 and 558 of the City Charter.
- 11. **Found** that the City Planning Commission has **reviewed** and **considered** the Draft Environmental Impact Report ENV-2008-478-EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2008021013) in its determination approving and recommending the Proposed Plan, as modified, and transmittal of the EIR to the City Council for certification.
- 12. Approved and Recommended that the City Council consider a Statement of Overriding Considerations with the Final Environmental Impact Report.
- 13. **Approved** and **Recommended** that the City Council **adopt** the attached **findings**, including the Environmental Findings.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE MAYOR:

1. **Recommend** that the Mayor **approve** the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan Resolution, Community Plan (Policy Document), the Change Area Matrix and Map, and the General Plan Land Use Map

inclusive of the symbol, footnote, corresponding zone and land use nomenclature changes, amending, as modified, the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan as part of the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles.

- 2. **Recommend** that the Mayor **approve** the amended Citywide General Plan Circulation Map of the Mobility Element (Mobility Plan 2035) of the General Plan to reclassify selected streets within the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Community Plan Area as modified on the Street Reclassification Matrix.
- 3. **Recommend** that the Mayor **approve** the amended Long-Range Land Use Diagram of the Citywide General Plan Framework Element to reflect changes and modifications to the geography of neighborhood districts, community centers, regional centers, and mixed-use boulevards as shown on the Recommended General Plan Framework Map.

RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

- 1. **Recommend** that the City Council **adopt** the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan Resolution which certifies the Environmental Impact Report No. ENV-2008-478-EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2008021013); adopts findings and a statement of overriding considerations, and approves the Community Plan (Policy Document), the Change Area Matrix and Map, and the General Plan Land Use Map inclusive of the symbol, footnote, corresponding zone and land use nomenclature changes, amending, as modified, the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert New Community Plan as part of the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles.
- 2. Recommend that the City Council adopt the attached Findings, as modified.
- 3. **Recommend** that the City Council **adopt** the requested rezoning actions to effect changes of zone as identified in the Change Area Matrix and Map, the proposed Community Plan Implementation Overlay (CPIO) District, and the proposed Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan Amendments, as modified.
- Recommend that the City Council adopt an ordinance amending the existing Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 176,230) pursuant to procedures set forth in Section 11.5.7 (Specific Plan Procedures) and Section 16.50 (Design Review Board Procedures) of the Municipal Code, as modified.
- 5. **Recommend** that the City Council **adopt** the proposed supplemental development regulations of the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Community Plan Implementation Overlay (CPIO) District, as modified.
- 6. **Recommend** that the City Council adopt the amended Citywide General Plan Circulation Map of the Mobility Element (Mobility Plan 2035) of the General Plan to reclassify selected streets within the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Community Plan Area as modified on the Street Reclassification Matrix.
- Recommend that the City Council amend the Long-Range Land Use Diagram of the Citywide General Plan Framework Element to reflect changes and modifications to the geography of neighborhood districts, community centers, regional centers, and mixed-use boulevards as shown on the Recommended General Plan Framework Map.
- 8. Recommend that the City Council consider a Statement of Overriding Considerations with the Final Environmental Impact Report.
- 9. **Recommend** that the City Council **adopt** the attached **findings**, including the Environmental Findings.
- Recommend that the City Council certify and adopt the Environmental Impact Report
 No. ENV-2008-478-EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2008021013) in its determination approving and
 recommending the Recommended Plan, as modified, and find that the approved and recommended
 modifications do not constitute significant new information under CEQA Guidelines Section 15088.5.

ENTITLEMENTS FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

FINAL ENTITLEMENTS NOT ADVANCING:

N/A

ITEMS APPEALED:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS:	REVISED :	ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE:	REVISED:
 Exhibit A Report from DCP and CPC Exhibit B Staff Recommendation Reports Exhibit C Charter, LAMC and GP Findings Exhibit D Zone and Height District Ordinance Exhibit E General Plan Amendment Resolution Exhibit F Change Area Matrices and Mapping Exhibit G West Adams CPIO District- [Proposed Ordinance] Exhibit H Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan – [Proposed Ordinance] Exhibit I West Adams EIR Exhibit J CEQA Findings and SOC 		 Categorical Exemption Negative Declaration Mitigated Negative Declaration Environmental Impact Report Mitigation Monitoring Program Other 	
NOTES / INSTRUCTION(S):			
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:			
☐ Yes No *If determination states administrative costs are recovere	d through fee	s, indicate "Yes".	
PLANNING COMMISSION:			

- City Planning Commission (CPC)
- Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC)
- Central Area Planning Commission
- East LA Area Planning Commission
- 🗆 Harbor Area Planning Commission

- □ North Valley Area Planning Commission
- South LA Area Planning Commission
- □ South Valley Area Planning Commission
- 🗆 West LA Area Planning Commission

PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING DATE:	COMMISSION VOTE:
April 11, 2013 February 11, 2016 June 23, 2016	6-0 5-1 9-0
LAST DAY TO APPEAL:	APPEALED:
N/A	N/A
TRANSMITTED BY:	TRANSMITTAL DATE:
Conni Pallini-Tipton	June 23, 2016