

CITY OF LOS ANGELES
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 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

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| LEAD CITY AGENCY City of Los Angeles | COUNCIL DISTRICT CD 5 - PAUL KORETZ |
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| PROJECT TITLE ENV-2014-1094-MND | CASE NO. ZA-2014-1095-CU-ZAA-DRB-SPPA-SPP |
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PROJECT LOCATION
611 S GAYLEY AVE

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
 This is a revised Initial Study, reflecting changes to Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas sections only. The sections have been supplemented to bolster prior discussions and make corrections that do not affect the conclusions regarding impact levels. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15073.5, none of the changes amount to substantial revisions. Under 15073.5, the lead agency is required to recirculate when the document must be substantially revised. "Substantial revision" expressly includes new mitigation measures (not substituted) and does not include "new info which merely clarifies, amplifies or makes insignificant modifications."

The subject property is a sloping irregular-shaped interior lot consisting of approximately 8,887 square feet and having a frontage on the west side of Gayley Avenue. The subject site is vacant and located in the [Q]R4-1VL Zone.

The applicant proposes the construction, use and maintenance of a new 57-foot high four-story 15,481 square-foot, fraternity house with 22 guest rooms all above a subterranean garage with 31 vehicular parking spaces and 42 bicycle parking spaces. The project will also include a haul route.

The applicant requests a Conditional Use to allow a fraternity house and Zoning Administrator Adjustments for front and side yards. The project also includes requests for a Specific Plan Adjustment for the height of the subterranean garage, Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance with the North Westwood Village Specific Plan and West Los Angeles Transportation Improvement and Mitigation Specific Plan areas and Design Review Determination for compliance with the Westwood Community Design Review Board Specific Plan.

NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT IF OTHER THAN CITY AGENCY
 Kevin K. McDonnell
 Jeffer, Mangels, Butler & Mitchell, LLP
 1900 Avenue of the Stars, 7th Floor
 Los Angeles, CA 90067

FINDING:
 The City Planning Department of the City of Los Angeles has Proposed that a mitigated negative declaration be adopted for this project because the mitigation measure(s) outlined on the attached page(s) will reduce any potential significant adverse effects to a level of insignificance
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SEE ATTACHED SHEET(S) FOR ANY MITIGATION MEASURES IMPOSED.

Any written comments received during the public review period are attached together with the response of the Lead City Agency. The project decision-maker may adopt the mitigated negative declaration, amend it, or require preparation of an EIR. Any changes made should be supported by substantial evidence in the record and appropriate findings made.

THE INITIAL STUDY PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT IS ATTACHED.

| NAME OF PERSON PREPARING THIS FORM | TITLE | TELEPHONE NUMBER |
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|  | City Planning Associate | (213) 978-1340 |

| ADDRESS | SIGNATURE (Official) | DATE |
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| 200 N. SPRING STREET, 7th FLOOR LOS ANGELES, CA. 90012 |  | 11/16/16 |

I-150. Aesthetics

- The project will result in aesthetic impacts. However, the impact(s) can be reduced to a less than significant level through compliance with the following measure(s):
- The proposed project may not conform to the requirements of the Specific Plan. However, this potential impact will be mitigated to less than significant levels by complying with the recommendations of the Design Review Board.

VI-20. Erosion/Grading/Short-Term Construction Impacts

- Short-term erosion impacts may result from the construction of the proposed project. However, these impacts can be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measures:
- The applicant shall provide a staked signage at the site with a minimum of 3-inch lettering containing contact information for the Senior Street Use Inspector (Department of Public Works), the Senior Grading Inspector (LADBS) and the hauling or general contractor.

X-50. Land Use

- The proposed project may not conform to the requirements of the Specific Plan. However, this potential impact will be mitigated to less than significant levels by complying with the recommendations of the Design Review Board.

XII-20. Increased Noise Levels (Demolition, Grading, and Construction Activities)

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- Construction and demolition shall be restricted to the hours of 7:00 am to 6:00 pm Monday through Friday, and 8:00 am to 6:00 pm on Saturday.
- Demolition and construction activities shall be scheduled so as to avoid operating several pieces of equipment simultaneously, which causes high noise levels.
- The project contractor shall use power construction equipment with state-of-the-art noise shielding and muffling devices.

XVI-30. Transportation (Haul Route)

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- The developer shall install appropriate traffic signs around the site to ensure pedestrian and vehicle safety.

XVI-50. Inadequate Emergency Access

- Environmental impacts may result from project implementation due to inadequate emergency access. However, these impacts can be mitigated to a less than significant level by the following measure:
- The applicant shall submit a parking and driveway plan to the Bureau of Engineering and the Department of Transportation for approval that provides code-required emergency access.

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INITIAL STUDY
and CHECKLIST
(CEQA Guidelines Section 15063)

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| LEAD CITY AGENCY: City of Los Angeles | COUNCIL DISTRICT: CD 5 - PAUL KORETZ | DATE: |
| RESPONSIBLE AGENCIES: Department of City Planning | | |
| ENVIRONMENTAL CASE: ENV-2014-1094-MND | RELATED CASES: ZA-2014-1095-CU-ZAA-DRB-SPPA-SPP | |
| PREVIOUS ACTIONS CASE NO.: Supplemented MND with non-substantial revisions | <input type="checkbox"/> Does have significant changes from previous actions. <input type="checkbox"/> Does NOT have significant changes from previous actions | |
| PROJECT DESCRIPTION: NEW 22-GUEST ROOMS FRATERNITY BUILDING WITH 31 PARKING SPACES | | |
| ENV PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This is a revised Initial Study, reflecting changes to Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas sections only. The sections have been supplemented to bolster prior discussions and make corrections that do not affect the conclusions regarding impact levels. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15073.5, none of the changes amount to substantial revisions. Under 15073.5, the lead agency is required to recirculate when the document must be substantially revised. "Substantial revision" expressly includes new mitigation measures (not substituted) and does not include "new info which merely clarifies, amplifies or makes insignificant modifications." The subject property is a sloping irregular-shaped interior lot consisting of approximately 8,887 square feet and having a frontage on the west side of Gayley Avenue. The subject site is vacant and located in the [Q]R4-1VL Zone. The applicant proposes the construction, use and maintenance of a new 57-foot high four-story 15,481 square-foot, fraternity house with 22 guest rooms all above a subterranean garage with 31 vehicular parking spaces and 42 bicycle parking spaces. The project will also include a haul route. The applicant requests a Conditional Use to allow a fraternity house and Zoning Administrator Adjustments for front and side yards. The project also includes requests for a Specific Plan Adjustment for the height of the subterranean garage, Specific Plan Project Permit Compliance with the North Westwood Village Specific Plan and West Los Angeles Transportation Improvement and Mitigation Specific Plan areas and Design Review Determination for compliance with the Westwood Community Design Review Board Specific Plan. | | |
| ENVIRONMENTAL SETTINGS: The subject property consists of a single 8,887 square-foot sloping irregular parcel of land in the [Q]R4-1VL Zone. The subject property is currently vacant. The property is within the following: North Westwood Village Specific Plan Area West Los Angeles Transportation Improvement and Mitigation Specific Plan Area Westwood Community Design Review Board Special Grading Area Transverse Ranges and Los Angeles Basin Santa Monica Fault Zone Adjoining properties are within the [Q]R4-1VL and PF-1XL Zones and improved with multiple-family and fraternity housing and open space. Gayley Avenue, adjoining the property along the east is a Secondary Highway with a variable width ranging between 81 and 90 feet and improved. | | |

The National Flood Insurance Program Rate Maps, which are a part of the Flood Hazard Management Specific Plan adopted by the City Council by Ordinance No. 172,081, have been reviewed and it has been determined that this project is located in Zone C, outside the flood zone.

PROJECT LOCATION:
611 S GAYLEY AVE

COMMUNITY PLAN AREA:
WESTWOOD
STATUS:

- Does Conform to Plan
- Does NOT Conform to Plan

AREA PLANNING COMMISSION:
WEST LOS ANGELES

CERTIFIED NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL:
WESTWOOD

EXISTING ZONING:
[Q]R4-1VL

MAX. DENSITY/INTENSITY ALLOWED BY ZONING:

GENERAL PLAN LAND USE:
HIGH MEDIUM RESIDENTIAL

MAX. DENSITY/INTENSITY ALLOWED BY PLAN DESIGNATION:

PROPOSED PROJECT DENSITY:

LA River Adjacent:

Determination (To Be Completed By Lead Agency)

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions on the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- I find the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
- I find the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.

Kerchie Gardner

City Planning Associate

(213) 978-1340

Signature

Title

Phone

Evaluation Of Environmental Impacts:

1. A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants based on a project-specific screening analysis).
2. All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
3. Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
4. "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of a mitigation measure has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from "Earlier Analyses," as described in (5) below, may be cross-referenced).
5. Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR, or negative declaration. Section 15063 (c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a. Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
 - b. Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
 - c. Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.

6. Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
7. Supporting Information Sources: A sources list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
8. This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
9. The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - a. The significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
 - b. The mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance.

Environmental Factors Potentially Affected:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

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INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST (To be completed by the Lead City Agency)

Background

PROPONENT NAME:

Kevin K. McDonnell

PHONE NUMBER:

(310) 201-3590

APPLICANT ADDRESS:

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 1900 Avenue of the Stars, 7th Floor
 Los Angeles, CA 90067

AGENCY REQUIRING CHECKLIST:

Department of City Planning

DATE SUBMITTED:

04/02/2014

PROPOSAL NAME (if Applicable):

| Potentially significant impact | Less than significant with mitigation incorporated | Less than significant impact | No impact |
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| I. AESTHETICS | | | | |
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| a. | Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista? | | ✓ | |
| b. | Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway? | | | ✓ |
| c. | Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings? | ✓ | | |
| d. | Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area? | | ✓ | |
| II. AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES | | | | |
| a. | Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to nonagricultural use? | | | ✓ |
| b. | Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract? | | | ✓ |
| c. | Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))? | | | ✓ |
| d. | Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use? | | | ✓ |
| e. | Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use? | | | ✓ |
| III. AIR QUALITY | | | | |
| a. | Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan? | | ✓ | |
| b. | Violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation? | | ✓ | |
| c. | Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)? | | ✓ | |
| d. | Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations? | | ✓ | |
| e. | Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people? | | ✓ | |
| IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES | | | | |
| a. | Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? | | | ✓ |
| b. | Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service? | | | ✓ |
| c. | Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means? | | | ✓ |
| d. | Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites? | | | ✓ |
| e. | Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance? | | | ✓ |
| f. | Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan? | | | ✓ |
| V. CULTURAL RESOURCES | | | | |

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| a. | Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in § 15064.5? | | | ✓ |
| b. | Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to § 15064.5? | | ✓ | |
| c. | Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature? | | | ✓ |
| d. | Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries? | | ✓ | |
| VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS | | | | |
| a. | Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42. | | ✓ | |
| b. | Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Strong seismic ground shaking? | | ✓ | |
| c. | Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction? | | ✓ | |
| d. | Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving: Landslides? | | ✓ | |
| e. | Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil? | ✓ | | |
| f. | Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse? | | ✓ | |
| g. | Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or property? | | | ✓ |
| h. | Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water? | | | ✓ |
| VII. GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS | | | | |
| a. | Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment? | | ✓ | |
| b. | Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases? | | | ✓ |
| VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS | | | | |
| a. | Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials? | | | ✓ |
| b. | Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment? | | ✓ | |
| c. | Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school? | | | ✓ |
| d. | Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment? | | | ✓ |
| e. | For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? | | | ✓ |
| f. | For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area? | | | ✓ |
| g. | Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan? | | | ✓ |

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| h. | Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands? | | | | ✓ |
| IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY | | | | | |
| a. | Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements? | | | | ✓ |
| b. | Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of preexisting nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)? | | | ✓ | |
| c. | Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site? | | | ✓ | |
| d. | Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site? | | | ✓ | |
| e. | Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff? | | | ✓ | |
| f. | Otherwise substantially degrade water quality? | | | ✓ | |
| g. | Place housing within a 100-year flood hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate Map or other flood hazard delineation map? | | | | ✓ |
| h. | Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures which would impede or redirect flood flows? | | | | ✓ |
| i. | Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam? | | | | ✓ |
| j. | Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or mudflow? | | | | ✓ |
| X. LAND USE AND PLANNING | | | | | |
| a. | Physically divide an established community? | | | | ✓ |
| b. | Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? | | ✓ | | |
| c. | Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan? | | | | ✓ |
| XI. MINERAL RESOURCES | | | | | |
| a. | Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state? | | | | ✓ |
| b. | Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan? | | | | ✓ |
| XII. NOISE | | | | | |
| a. | Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies? | | | ✓ | |
| b. | Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels? | | ✓ | | |
| c. | A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? | | | ✓ | |
| d. | A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project? | | | ✓ | |

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| e. | For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? | | | | ✓ |
| f. | For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? | | | | ✓ |
| XIII. POPULATION AND HOUSING | | | | | |
| a. | Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)? | | | | ✓ |
| b. | Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? | | | | ✓ |
| c. | Displace substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? | | | | ✓ |
| XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES | | | | | |
| a. | Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Fire protection? | | | ✓ | |
| b. | Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Police protection? | | | ✓ | |
| c. | Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Schools? | | | | ✓ |
| d. | Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Parks? | | | | ✓ |
| e. | Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services: Other public facilities? | | | | ✓ |
| XV. RECREATION | | | | | |
| a. | Would the project increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated? | | | | ✓ |
| b. | Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment? | | | | ✓ |
| XVI. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC | | | | | |
| a. | Conflict with an applicable plan, ordinance or policy establishing measures of effectiveness for the performance of the circulation system, taking into account all modes of transportation including mass transit and non-motorized travel and relevant components of the circulation system, including but not limited to intersections, streets, highways and freeways, pedestrian and bicycle paths, and mass transit? | | | ✓ | |

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| b. | Conflict with an applicable congestion management program, including, but not limited to level of service standards and travel demand measures, or other standards established by the county congestion management agency for designated roads or highways? | | ✓ | |
| c. | Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks? | | | ✓ |
| d. | Substantially increase hazards due to a design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)? | | | ✓ |
| e. | Result in inadequate emergency access? | ✓ | | |
| f. | Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities supporting alternative transportation (e.g., bus turnouts, bicycle racks)? | | | ✓ |

XVII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES

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| a. | Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is: Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or | | ✓ | |
| b. | Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is: A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resource Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe. | | ✓ | |

XVIII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS

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| a. | Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board? | | ✓ | |
| b. | Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? | | ✓ | |
| c. | Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? | | ✓ | |
| d. | Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed? | | ✓ | |
| e. | Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments? | | ✓ | |
| f. | Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs? | | ✓ | |
| g. | Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste? | | ✓ | |

XIX. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

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| a. | Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory? | | ✓ | |
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| Potentially significant impact | Less than significant with mitigation incorporated | Less than significant impact | No impact |
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| b. | Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)? | | ✓ | |
| c. | Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly? | | ✓ | |

Note: Authority cited: Sections 21083, 21083.05, Public Resources Code. Reference: Section 65088.4, Gov. Code; Sections 21080, 21083.05, 21095, Pub. Resources Code; *Eureka Citizens for Responsible Govt. v. City of Eureka* (2007) 147 Cal.App.4th 357; *Protect the Historic Amador Waterways v. Amador Water Agency* (2004) 116 Cal.App.4th at 1109; *San Franciscans Upholding the Downtown Plan v. City and County of San Francisco* (2002) 102 Cal.App.4th 656.

DISCUSSION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL EVALUATION (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

The Environmental Impact Assessment includes the use of official City of Los Angeles and other government source reference materials related to various environmental impact categories (e.g., Hydrology, Air Quality, Biology, Cultural Resources, etc.). The State of California, Department of Conservation, Division of Mines and Geology - Seismic Hazard Maps and reports, are used to identify potential future significant seismic events; including probable magnitudes, liquefaction, and landslide hazards. Based on applicant information provided in the Master Land Use Application and Environmental Assessment Form, impact evaluations were based on stated facts contained therein, including but not limited to, reference materials indicated above, field investigation of the project site, and any other reliable reference materials known at the time.

Project specific impacts were evaluated based on all relevant facts indicated in the Environmental Assessment Form and expressed through the applicant's project description and supportive materials. Both the Initial Study Checklist and Checklist Explanations, in conjunction with the City of Los Angeles's Adopted Thresholds Guide and CEQA Guidelines, were used to reach reasonable conclusions on environmental impacts as mandated under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The project as identified in the project description may cause potentially significant impacts on the environment without mitigation. Therefore, this environmental analysis concludes that a Mitigated Negative Declaration shall be issued to avoid and mitigate all potential adverse impacts on the environment by the imposition of mitigation measures and/or conditions contained and expressed in this document; the environmental case file known as **ENV-2014-1094-MND** and the associated case(s),

ZA-2014-1095-CU-ZAA-DRB-SPPA-SPP. Finally, based on the fact that these impacts can be feasibly mitigated to less than significant, and based on the findings and thresholds for Mandatory Findings of Significance as described in the California Environmental Quality Act, section 15065, the overall project impact(s) on the environment (after mitigation) **will not:**

- Substantially degrade environmental quality.
- Substantially reduce fish or wildlife habitat.
- Cause a fish or wildlife habitat to drop below self sustaining levels.
- Threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community.
- Reduce number, or restrict range of a rare, threatened, or endangered species.
- Eliminate important examples of major periods of California history or prehistory.
- Achieve short-term goals to the disadvantage of long-term goals.
- Result in environmental effects that are individually limited but cumulatively considerable.
- Result in environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

All supporting documents and references are contained in the Environmental Case File referenced above and may be viewed in the EIR Unit, Room 763, City Hall.

For City information, addresses and phone numbers: visit the City's website at <http://www.lacity.org> ; City Planning - and Zoning Information Mapping Automated System (ZIMAS) cityplanning.lacity.org/ or EIR Unit, City Hall, 200 N Spring Street, Room 763. Seismic Hazard Maps - <http://gmw.consrv.ca.gov/shmp/> Engineering/Infrastructure/Topographic Maps/Parcel Information - <http://boemaps.eng.ci.la.ca.us/index01.htm> or City's main website under the heading "Navigate LA".

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APPENDIX A: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS EXPLANATION TABLE

| I. AESTHETICS | | | |
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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project site is not located within a state scenic highway or near a scenic vista. There is a less than significant impact. | |
| b. | NO IMPACT | The project site is not located near a scenic resource. There is no impact. | |
| c. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED | The subject site is located within the North Westwood Village Specific Plan Area. The construction of a 22 room Fraternity House may result in impacts upon aesthetics. The referenced Mitigation Measure shall apply to reduce project related impacts to a less than significant level. | I-150 Mitigation measures will bring the impact to a less than significant level. |
| d. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house is not expected to create a new source of substantial light for adjacent residential land uses. The impacts will be less than significant. | |
| II. AGRICULTURE AND FOREST RESOURCES | | | |
| a. | NO IMPACT | The site is zoned for residential use and does not contain farmland of any type. No impact will result. | |
| b. | NO IMPACT | The site is zoned for residential use and does not contain farmland of any type. No impact will result. | |
| c. | NO IMPACT | The site is zoned for residential use and does not contain farmland of any type. No impact will result. | |
| d. | NO IMPACT | The site is zoned for residential use and does not contain farmland of any type. No impact will result. | |
| e. | NO IMPACT | The site is zoned for residential use and does not contain farmland of any type. No impact will result. | |
| III. AIR QUALITY | | | |
| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project is the construction of a 22 room fraternity house and will not conflict with or obstruct implementation of any air quality plan. The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the agency primarily responsible for comprehensive air pollution control in the South Coast Air Basin and reducing emissions from area and point stationary, mobile, and indirect sources. SCAQMD prepared the 2012 Air Quality | |

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| | <p>Management Plan (AQMP) to meet federal and state ambient air quality standards. A significant air quality impact may occur if a project is inconsistent with the AQMP or would in some way represent a substantial hindrance to employing the policies or obtaining the goals of that plan. The proposed project is not expected to conflict with or obstruct the implementation of the AQMP and SCAQMD rules. The proposed project is also subject to the City's Green Building Program Ordinance (Ord. No. 179,890), which was adopted to reduce the use of natural resources, create healthier living environments, and minimize the negative impacts of development on local, regional and global ecosystems. Therefore, impacts would be less than significant.</p> | |
| <p>b. LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT</p> | <p>A significant impact would occur if the proposed project would violate any air quality standard or contribute substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation. An Air Quality Assessment for the project site was prepared by Meridian Consultants, LLC on October 26, 2016 (see attachment in case file). Project construction and operation emissions were estimated using California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod), a statewide land use emissions computer model designed to quantify potential criteria pollutant emissions associated with both construction and operations from land use projects. The analysis indicates that the project will not result in significant impacts. The results are shown in Table 2.1, Overall Construction (Maximum Daily Emission in pounds per day). According to the Assessment, during the construction phase the proposed project would not exceed the regional SCAQMD significance thresholds for emissions of Carbon Monoxide (CO), Reactive Organic Compounds (ROG), Nitrogen Oxides (NOx), Particulate Matter (PM10 and PM2.5), and Sulfur Dioxide (SOx). Therefore, regional emission impacts for the proposed project would be less than significant for all construction phases. The project output is also below the significance thresholds for these criteria pollutants with regard to Overall Operational Emissions, as shown in Table 2.2. Motor vehicles that access the project site would be the predominant source of</p> | |

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| | <p>long-term project emissions. Additional emissions would be generated by area sources, such as energy use and landscape maintenance activities. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to regional operational emissions. The project would be subject to regulatory compliance measures, which reduce the impacts of operational and construction regional emissions. The proposed 22 room fraternity house will produce fugitive dust and mobile source emissions as a result of construction activities, but these should be controlled on-site by existing regulations and the impact will be less than significant.</p> | |
| c. LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | <p>The project will produce fugitive dust and mobile source emissions as a result of construction activity. The proposed project and the entire Los Angeles metropolitan area are located within the South Coast Air Basin, which is characterized by relatively poor air quality. The Basin is currently classified as a federal and State non-attainment area for Ozone (O₃), Respirable Particulate Matter (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}), and lead (Pb) and a federal attainment/maintenance area for Carbon Monoxide (CO). It is classified as a State attainment area for CO, and it currently meets the federal and State standards for Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂), Sulfur Oxides (SO_x), and lead (Pb). Because the Basin is designated as a State and/or federal nonattainment air basin for O₃, PM₁₀, PM_{2.5}, and NO₂, there is an on-going regional cumulative impact associated with these pollutants. However, an individual project can emit these pollutants without significantly contributing to this cumulative impact depending on the magnitude of emissions. This magnitude is determined by the project-level significance thresholds established by the SCAQMD. The project would be subject to regulatory compliance measures, which reduce the impacts of operational and construction regional emissions. The applicant submitted a "Localized Significance Threshold Analysis" prepared by Meridian Consultants, LLC. According to the results, the project would not cause the air quality to exceed any emissions thresholds. The impact would be less than significant.</p> | |

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| d. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | <p>Based on the City of Los Angeles CEQA Thresholds Guide, a significant impact may occur if a project were to generate pollutant concentrations to a degree that would significantly affect sensitive receptors. The SCAQMD identifies the following as sensitive receptors: long-term health care facilities, rehabilitation centers, convalescent centers, retirement homes, residences, schools, playgrounds, child care centers, and athletic facilities. The SCAQMD has developed localized significance thresholds (LSTs) that are based on the amount of maximum daily localized construction emissions per day that can be generated by a project that would cause or contribute to adverse localized air quality impacts. These apply to projects that are less than or equal to five acres in size and are only applicable to Respirable Particulate Matter (PM10 and PM2.5), Carbon Monoxide (CO), and Nitrogen Oxides (NOx). The Air Quality Assessment (see b. above) for the project site) analyzed the localized air quality impacts associated with the project construction. The site is located in SCAQMD Sensitive Receptor Area (SRA) No. 2, is located on a site that is less than 1 acre, and the project is below the thresholds for construction and operation emissions in pounds per day as a function of receptor distance (25 meters or 82.02 feet) from the project site boundary. According to the Assessment, the proposed project would not exceed the appropriate significance threshold for localized emissions of Particulate Matter (PM10 and PM2.5), Carbon Monoxide (CO), and Nitrogen Oxides (NOx). Therefore, localized emission impacts for the proposed project would be less than significant for all construction phases and the proposed project would not expose sensitive receptors to substantial localized criteria pollutant emissions during construction. Impacts will therefore be less than significant.</p> | |
| e. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | <p>Potential sources that may emit odors during construction activities include equipment exhaust and architectural coatings. Odors from these sources would be localized and generally confined to the immediate area surrounding the project site. The proposed project would utilize typical construction techniques, and the odors would be typical of most</p> | |

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construction sites and temporary in nature. Construction of the proposed project would not cause an odor nuisance. According to the SCAQMD CEQA Air Quality Handbook, land uses and industrial operations that are associated with odor complaints include agricultural uses, wastewater treatment plants, food processing plants, chemical plants, composting, refineries, landfills, dairies and fiberglass molding. The proposed land uses would not result in activities that create objectionable odors. Therefore, the proposed project would result in a less-than-significant impact related to objectionable odors. The construction, use, and maintenance of a 22 room fraternity house will not create objectionable odors that could affect a substantial number of people. Impacts will be less than significant.

IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

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| a. | NO IMPACT | No sensitive species are expected to be located on this site. No impact would result. | |
| b. | NO IMPACT | The site does not contain riparian habitat or sensitive natural communities. No impact would result. | |
| c. | NO IMPACT | The site does not contain wetlands. No impact would result. | |
| d. | NO IMPACT | The site does not contain any wildlife corridors or nursery sites. No impact would result. | |
| e. | NO IMPACT | No local policy or ordinance protecting biological resources is affected by the project. No impact would occur. | |
| f. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house is an in-fill development project. It will not conflict with any habitat conservation plans. No impact would result. | |

V. CULTURAL RESOURCES

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| a. | NO IMPACT | The proposed construction of a 22 room fraternity house on a vacant lot is not anticipated to cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of historical resources. No impact would result. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | There is a potential impact. Project proposes excavation on a vacant parcel. Existing regulations will bring the impacts to a less than significant level. | |
| c. | NO IMPACT | The project is not located in an area known for paleontological resources. No impact would result. | |

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| d. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | There is a potential impact. Project proposes excavation on an undeveloped property. Existing regulations will bring the impacts to a less than significant level. | |
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VI. GEOLOGY AND SOILS

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The site is not located in an Alquist-Priolo zone. A less than significant impact would result. | |
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| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The site is located in a seismically active area, within the Santa Monica Fault. Existing regulations will reduce any potential geological impacts to a less than significant level. | |
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| c. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house is not located within a designated liquefaction zone. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
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| d. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project site at 611 South Gayley Avenue is not located within an area known for historically earthquake-induced landslides. Landslides on the site are not anticipated as the site was previously improved with a residential structure. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
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| e. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED | The project may require grading , clearing and excavation activities. Existing regulations shall apply to reduce project related impacts to a less than significant level. | VI-20 Mitigation measures will bring the impact to a less than significant level. |
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| f. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project may require grading , clearing and excavation activities. Existing regulations will bring the impacts to a less than significant level. | |
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| g. | NO IMPACT | The project site is not located in an area known to have expansive soils. There would be no impact. | |
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| h. | NO IMPACT | No septic tanks are proposed as a part of this project. No impact would result. | |
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VII. GREEN HOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project entails the construction of a 22 room fraternity house, which will include extensive interior and exterior development. Greenhouse gases (GHG) are those gaseous constituents of the atmosphere, both natural and human generated, that absorb and emit radiation at specific wavelengths within the spectrum of terrestrial radiation emitted by the earth's surface, the atmosphere itself, and by clouds. The City has adopted the LA Green Plan to provide a citywide plan for achieving the City's GHG emissions targets, for both existing and future | |
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| | <p>generation of GHG emissions. In order to implement the goal of improving energy conservation and efficiency, the Los Angeles City Council has adopted multiple ordinances and updates to establish the current Los Angeles Green Building Code (LAGBC) (Ordinance No.181,480). The LAGBC requires projects to achieve a 20 percent reduction in potable water use and wastewater generation. Through required implementation of the LAGBC, the proposed project would be consistent with local and statewide goals and policies aimed at reducing the generation of GHGs, including CARB's AB 32 Scoping Plan aimed at achieving 1990 GHG emission levels by 2020. Therefore, the Project's generation of GHG emissions would not be considered cumulatively considerable and impacts would be less than significant.</p> | |
| b. NO IMPACT | <p>The California legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 375 to connect regional transportation planning to land use decisions made at a local level. SB 375 requires the metropolitan planning organizations to prepare a Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS) in their regional transportation plans to achieve the per capita GHG reduction targets. For the SCAG region, the SCS is contained in the 2012-2035 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). The 2012-2035 RTP/SCS focuses the majority of new housing and job growth in high-quality transit areas and other opportunity areas on existing main streets, in downtowns, and commercial corridors, resulting in more opportunity for transit-oriented development. In addition, SB 743, adopted September 27, 2013, encourages land use and transportation planning decisions that reduce vehicle miles traveled, which contribute to GHG emissions. The project is 22 units and would not interfere with SCAG's ability to implement the regional strategies outlined in the 2012-2035 RTP/SCS. The proposed project, therefore, would be consistent with statewide, regional and local goals and policies aimed at reducing GHG emissions and would result in a less-than-significant impact related to plans that target the reduction of GHG emissions.</p> | |

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VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

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| a. | NO IMPACT | No hazardous materials are proposed to be routinely transported, used, or disposed of as a part of the project. There would be no impact. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | No hazardous materials are proposed to be released into the environment. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
| c. | NO IMPACT | No hazardous emissions or materials are proposed to be released into the environment. There would be no impact. | |
| d. | NO IMPACT | The project site at 611 South Gayley Avenue is not included on a list of known hazardous materials sites. Therefore, no impact will result. | |
| e. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house is not located on an airport land use plan, nor is it within two miles of a public or public use airport. Therefore, no impact will result. | |
| f. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house is not located within an airport land use plan, nor is it within two miles of a private air strip. Therefore, no impact will result. | |
| g. | NO IMPACT | The project will not impair or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan. No impact would occur. | |
| h. | NO IMPACT | The project is not located where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands. No impact would occur. | |

IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

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| a. | NO IMPACT | The proposed single-family residential project is not expected to violate any water quality or waste discharge requirements. There would be no impact. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | No depletion of groundwater supplies or interference with groundwater recharge is anticipated from the proposed 22 room fraternity house. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
| c. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house is within an urbanized area and no natural watercourses are located on-site nor in the vicinity. Runoff from the site and surrounding area is removed by way of street flows and storm drains and will comply with L.A.M.C. Section 64.70. Therefore, the project will not alter the existing drainage pattern. Impacts will be less than significant. | |

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| d. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | No streams or rivers are contained on-site and as such the development will not alter the existing drainage patterns. Further, the project will comply with L.A.M.C. Section 64.70 to ensure that surface runoff will not result in flooding. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
| e. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house may create increased and/or polluted runoff during its construction phase as a result of the new building and paved area proposed on the site. However, the project will be required to comply with L.A.M.C. Section 64.70, which will reduce any impacts to a less than significant level. | |
| f. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house could degrade water quality through increased and/or polluted runoff during its construction phase as a result of the new building and paved area proposed on the site. However, the project will be required to comply with L.A.M.C. Section 64.70, which will reduce any impacts to a less than significant level. | |
| g. | NO IMPACT | The project site at 611 South Gayley Avenue is not located within a 100-year flood hazard area. There will be no impacts. | |
| h. | NO IMPACT | The project site at 611 South Gayley Avenue is not located within a 100-year flood hazard area. There will be no impacts. | |
| i. | NO IMPACT | The project site at 611 South Gayley Avenue is not located within a potential dam inundation zone. No impact will result. | |
| j. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house is not located in an inundation zone or area subject to seiches, tsunamis, or mudflow. No impact will result. | |

X. LAND USE AND PLANNING

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| a. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house will not divide an established community. The site is planned and zoned for residential uses. No Impact will result. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED | The subject site is located within the North Westwood Village Specific Plan area. The proposed 22 room fraternity house may be impacted by the Specific Plan development and design standards. The referenced Mitigation Measure shall apply to reduce project related impacts to a less than | X-50 Mitigation measures will bring the impact to a less than significant level. |

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| c. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house is located in an urbanized area that is not subject to any habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan. No impact will result. | |
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XI. MINERAL RESOURCES

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| a. | NO IMPACT | The project is not located in a known area of mineral resources. No impact is expected to result. | |
| b. | NO IMPACT | The site is not in a known area of mineral resources. No impact would result. | |

XII. NOISE

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house does not propose to deviate from any requirements of the Noise Element of the General Plan, Section 111 of the L.A.M.C., or any other applicable noise standard. Therefore, a less than significant impact would occur. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED | The project may create significant groundbourne noise at times during its construction phase. However, the Mitigation Measure will reduce the impacts to a less than significant level. | XII-20 Mitigation measures will bring the impact to a less than significant level. |
| c. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The new 22 room fraternity house will not cause a substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
| d. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The 22 unit fraternity house will not cause a substantial temporary increase in ambient noise levels. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
| e. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house is not located within two miles of a public airport or public use airport. No impact will result. | |
| f. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house is not located within two miles of a private airstrip. No impact will result. | |

XIII. POPULATION AND HOUSING

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| a. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house will not induce substantial population growth in the area. Therefore, no impact will result. | |
| b. | NO IMPACT | The proposed 22 unit fraternity house will not displace any existing residential housing as it will be constructed on a vacant lot within an established residential neighborhood. No impact will result. | |
| c. | NO IMPACT | The project will not displace any people. Therefore, no impact will result. | |

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XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project is not in any designated fire hazard area and is not expected to pose an impact to fire safety. Project impacts would be less than significant. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed 22 room fraternity house will not significantly impact police service as the use has existed previously. | |
| c. | NO IMPACT | The project does not include any construction or alteration to the existing environment, or use which would require school services beyond the existing demand. No impact would occur. | |
| d. | NO IMPACT | The project does not include any construction or alteration to the existing environment, or use which would require park services beyond the existing demand. No impact would occur. | |
| e. | NO IMPACT | The project does not include any construction or alteration to the existing environment, or use which would require other governmental services beyond the existing demand. No impact would occur. | |

XV. RECREATION

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| a. | NO IMPACT | The addition of a 22 room fraternity house will not create substantial physical deterioration of existing park facilities. No impact would occur. | |
| b. | NO IMPACT | The project does not include any recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities. Therefore, no impact will occur. | |

XVI. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFIC

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project will result in the net increase of one, 22 room fraternity house. No significant increase of traffic on Gayley Avenue is anticipated, and therefore, there will be a less than significant impact as a result. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The construction of a 22 room fraternity house will not result in a substantial increase in the level of service on the local streets, and therefore, there would be a less than significant impact. | |
| c. | NO IMPACT | No change in air traffic patterns will result from the project, and as such there is no impact. | |
| d. | NO IMPACT | The construction of a 22 room fraternity house does not include any hazardous design features. No impact would result. | |

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| e. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT WITH MITIGATION INCORPORATED | Emergency access may be impaired during the construction phase. The referenced mitigation measures shall apply to reduce impacts to a less than significant level. | XVI-30, XVI-50 Mitigation measures will bring the impact to a less than significant level. |
| f. | NO IMPACT | The construction of a new 22 room fraternity house will not conflict with any proposed alternative transportation programs. No impact would result. | |

XVII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | | |

XVIII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTEMS

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The construction of a 22 room fraternity house will not exceed the wastewater treatment requirements of the Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Board. Impacts will be less than significant. | |
| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The construction of a 22 room fraternity house will not require the construction of new stormwater facilities. The project's impact would be less than significant. | |
| c. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project is the construction of a 22 room fraternity house and should not require the construction of new stormwater drainage facilities. The project's impact would be less than significant. | |
| d. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The project is not anticipated to increase the demand for water, and will not create a need for new water entitlements or resources. The impact is expected to be less than significant. | |
| e. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | Any increase in wastewater can be accommodated by the wastewater treatment provided. The impact will be less than significant. | |
| f. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The local landfills have sufficient capacity to serve the local project. The impacts would be less than significant. | |
| g. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | During construction, the project may produce additional waste. However, this potential impact is considered to be less than significant. | |

XIX. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

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| a. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | The proposed construction of a 22 room fraternity house does not result in any impacts that would substantially degrade the quality of the environment. | |
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| b. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | While the project will result in environmental impacts, each impact can be mitigated to a less than significant level with the incorporation of the attached mitigation measures. As such, the impact of the proposed project will not result in any increased cumulative impacts. | |
| c. | LESS THAN SIGNIFICANT IMPACT | With the integration of the referenced mitigation measures, the project will not have any significant impacts either directly or indirectly to persons | |