

MOTION

The owner of the building at 947 Tiverton Avenue in Westwood Village Los Angeles 90024 (the "Property") is proposing to make substantial renovations with a goal to convert the Property to a licensed assisted living facility . On December 1, 2016, to begin the process of effectuating renovations, the state Ellis Act was invoked and eviction notices were issued to more than 120 residents

Subsequent discussions with the residents and the owner suggest that they remain at odds. The residents, citing a lack of affordable alternatives in the general vicinity, would prefer to remain at the Property.

The City has applicable codes that may provide the residents with important procedural protections. The "Residential Hotel Unit Conversion and Demolition" Code section (LAMC 47.70, et seq.) ("RHO") sets forth the requirements and conditions applicable to a "Residential Hotel" in Los Angeles which may apply to the Property and assigns responsibility for the determination to the Housing and Community Investment Department ("HCID").

In order to know whether the protections under the RHO may be potentially available to the residents of the Property and to the City (on behalf of future residents), HCID needs to timely apply the statutory process leading to a determination as to whether the Property should or should not be designated as a Residential Hotel pursuant to LAMC § 47.75.

NOW, I THEREFORE MOVE that HCID be directed to expeditiously review the status of the Property and to make a determination as to whether or not it should be designated as a Residential Hotel pursuant to LAMC § 47.75. HCID is required to report back as to the status of its review within two weeks of the approval date of this motion.

PRESENTED BY Paul Koretz
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SECONDED BY Barbara Blumenthal

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