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Required Finding Failure No. 1—Site is not "substantially surrounded by urban uses"

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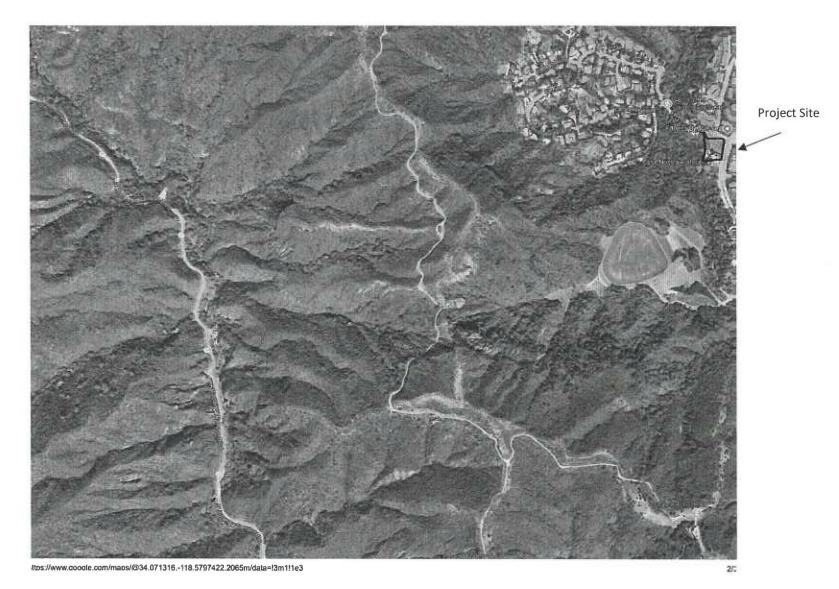
Site is partially bordered by suburban uses, not "substantially surrounded"

Applicable tests define an "infill site" as one bordered by not less than 75% of urban uses. The City of LA Santa Ynez common boundary with the property comprises more than 25% of the site's boundary.

Considering the site plus the two abutting properties, approximately 92% of the combined area is the City open space park.

Developer insults the intelligence of this Committee by submitting a report that states, on page 3, that the "Project Site is located within a highly urbanized area".

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Required Finding Failure No. 2—Project is not consistent with the Community Plan

Not in reasonable walking distance of heath and community facilities

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Destroys view from a City of LA designated Scenic Highway

Not compatible with existing uses FAR of 1.5, nearly triple other vicinity uses Four stories with two levels of underground parking—not other such structures in Highlands 57 feet high above Palisades Drive 24/7 Hospital type use—completely inconsistent with residential and limited commercial uses

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Required Finding Failure No. 3—Project Has Significant Impacts

Wilson Geosoils report states that there are unique circumstances affecting the Property.

Developer has grossly understated the amount of dirt to be exported.

Cooper Report states "I know of no similar natural environment within City limits.

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