

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Appeal for the property located at 5975 West Santa Monica Boulevard (1106 North Gordon Street).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. **DETERMINE**, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the project is exempt (No. ENV-2017-2808-CE) from CEQA, pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15301, City CEQA Guidelines, Section 1, Class 1, Category 22, and that there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.
2. **ADOPT** the **FINDINGS** of the Central Los Angeles Area Planning Commission (CLAAPC) as the Findings of Council.
3. **RESOLVE TO DENY THE APPEAL** filed by Susan Hunter, Save Hollywood (Representative: Susan Hunter, Save Hollywood), and **THEREBY SUSTAIN** the determination of the CLAAPC in approving an exemption from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15301, City CEQA Guidelines, Section 1, Class 1, Category 22, for the sale, dispensing and instructional tasting of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site and off-site consumption in conjunction with a tasting room within a craft distillery manufacturing operation, for the property located at 5975 West Santa Monica Boulevard (1106 North Gordon Street), subject to Conditions of Approval.

Applicant: Larry Neuberg, Hollywood Distillery, Inc.

Representative: Matt Goulet, Land Use Developers Group

Related Case No. ZA-2017-2807-CUB-1A

Environmental No. ENV-2017-2808-CE

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CLAAPC reports that there is no General Fund impact as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on August 27, 2019 (continued from 6/11/19), the PLUM Committee considered a CEQA appeal for the property located at 5975 West Santa Monica Boulevard (1106 North Gordon Street). Department of City Planning Staff provided an overview of the matter. Representatives of the Applicant and the Appellant provided comments. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended denying the appeal and sustaining the determination of the CLAAPC in approving an exemption from CEQA, and include additional environmental findings as presented by the Department of City Planning. This matter is now submitted to Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON	YES
BLUMENFIELD	YES
PRICE	YES
CEDILLO	NO
SMITH	ABSENT

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