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Decision Date: October 27, 2017

Appeal End Date: November 6, 2017

NOHO Pointe, LLC (A/O) Re: TT-74951-CN

c/o Lior Mandelbaum 5630 North Fair Avenue

P.O. Box 56692 North Hollywood-Valley Village

Sherman Oaks, CA 91403 Community Plan Area Zone: RD1.5-1VL D.M.: 174-B-173

Zeitouny & Associates (R) C.D. : 2

Camille Zeitouny CEQA: ENV-2017-1723-CE

18243 Senteno Street Legal Description: Fraction of Lots 1, 2 &

Rowland Heights, CA 91748 3; Arb 1; Tract 1479

In accordance with provisions of Section 17.03 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), the Advisory Agency issued Categorical Exemption ENV-2017-1723-CE as the environmental clearance, and approved Tentative Tract No. 74951-CN composed of three fraction lots (legally tied), located at 5630 North Fair Avenue (APN No. 2337031009) for a maximum 15-unit residential condominium as shown on map stampdated April 28, 2017 in the North Hollywood-Valley Village Community Plan. This unit density is based on the RD1.5-1VL Zone inclusive of by-right density bonus. (The subdivider is hereby advised that the LAMC may not permit this maximum approved density. Therefore, verification should be obtained from the Department of Building and Safety which will legally interpret the Zoning Code as it applies to this particular property.) If you have any questions, please call DCP staff at (213) 482-7077, (818)-374-5050 or (310) 231-2901. The Advisory Agency's approval is subject to the following conditions:

NOTE on clearing conditions: When two or more **agencies** must clear a condition, subdivider should follow the sequence indicated in the condition. For the benefit of the applicant, subdivider shall maintain record of all conditions cleared, including all material supporting clearances and be prepared to present copies of the clearances to each reviewing agency as may be required by its staff at the time of its review.

BUREAU OF ENGINEERING - SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

- 1. That a 10-foot wide strip of land be dedicated along Fair Avenue adjoining the subdivision to complete a 30-foot wide half right-of-way dedication in accordance with Local Street Standards of LA Mobility Plan.
- 2. That the subdivider make a request to the Valley District Office of the Bureau of Engineering to determine the capacity of existing sewers in this area.

Note: Any questions regarding this report should be directed to Mr. Georgic Avenesian or Julia Li of the Land Development Section, located at 201 North Figueroa Street, Suite 200, or by calling (213) 202-3484.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY, GRADING DIVISION

3. That prior to issuance of a grading or building permit, or prior to recordation of the final map, the subdivider shall make suitable arrangements to assure compliance, satisfactory to the Department of Building and Safety, Grading Division, with all the requirements and conditions contained in Inter-Departmental Letter dated May 26, 2016, Log No. 93080 and attached to the case file for Tract No. 74951-CN.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY, ZONING DIVISION

- 4. That prior to recordation of the final map, the Department of Building and Safety, Zoning Division shall certify that no Building or Zoning Code violations exist on the subject site. In addition, the following items shall be satisfied:
 - a. Show all street dedications as required by Bureau of Engineering and provide net lot area after all dedications. "Area" requirements shall be rechecked as per net lot area after street dedication. Front yard requirement shall be required to comply with current code as measured from new property lines after the required dedication.

Notes: Proposed unit count is based on proposed density bonus incentive. Any proposed structures or uses on the site have not been checked for and shall comply with Building and Zoning Code requirements. Plan check will be required before any construction, occupancy or change of use.

An appointment is required for the issuance of a clearance letter from the Department of Building and Safety. The applicant is asked to contact Laura Duong at (213) 482-0434 to schedule an appointment.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

5. That prior to recordation of the final map, satisfactory arrangements shall be made with the Department of Transportation (DOT) to assure:

- a. A minimum 20-foot reservoir space is required between any security gate or parking space and the property line, to the satisfaction of DOT. Backing out onto Fair Avenue shall be prohibited.
- b. A two-way driveway apron width of W=30 feet is required.
- c. A parking area and driveway plan should be submitted to the Citywide Planning Coordination Section of the Department of Transportation for approval prior to submittal of building permit plans for plan check by the Department of Building and Safety. Transportation approvals are conducted at 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Room 320, Van Nuys, CA 91401
- d. That the subdivision report and fee and condition clearance fee be paid to the Department of Transportation as required per Ordinance No. 183270 and LAMC Section 19.15 prior to recordation of the final map. Note: the applicant may be required to comply with any other applicable fees per this new ordinance.

Note: If you have any questions, you may contact DOT at taghi.gharagozli@lacity.org or 818-374-4699.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

- 6. That prior to the recordation of the final map, a suitable arrangement shall be made satisfactory to the Fire Department, binding the subdivider and all successors to the following:
 - a. Submittal of plot plans for Fire Department review and approval prior to recordation of Tract Map Action.
 - b. Access for Fire Department apparatus and personnel to and into all structures shall be required.
 - c. Where above ground floors are used for residential purposes, the access requirement shall be interpreted as being the horizontal travel distance from the street, driveway, alley, or designated fire lane to the main entrance of individual units.
 - d. The entrance or exit of all ground dwelling units shall not be more than 150 feet from the edge of a roadway of an improved street, access road, or designated fire lane.
 - e. No building or portion of a building shall be constructed more than 150 feet from the edge of a roadway of an improved street, access, road, or designated fire lane.
 - f. Entrance to the main lobby shall be located off the address side of the building.

- g. Any required Fire Annunciator panel or Fire Control Room shall be located within 50 feet visual line of site of the main entrance stairwell or to the satisfaction of the Fire Department.
- h. Fire lane width shall not be less than 20 feet. When a fire lane must accommodate the operation of Fire Department aerial ladder apparatus or where fire hydrants are installed, those portions shall not be less than 28 feet in width.
- i. The width of private roadways for general access use and fire lanes shall not be less than 20 feet, and the fire lane must be clear to the sky.
- j. Fire lanes, where required and dead ending streets shall terminate in a cul-de-sac or other approved turning area. No dead ending street or fire lane shall be greater than 700 feet in length or secondary access shall be required.
- k. Submit plot plans indicating access road and turning area for Fire Department approval.
- I. No framing shall be allowed until the roadway is installed to the satisfaction of the Fire Department.
- m. Any required fire hydrants to be installed shall be fully operational and accepted by the Fire Department prior to building construction.
- n. Site plans shall include all overhead utility lines adjacent to the site.
- o. Any roof elevation changes in excess of 3 feet may require the installation of ships ladders.
- p. All parking restrictions for fire lanes shall be posted and/or painted prior to any Temporary Certificate of Occupancy being issued.
- q. Plans showing areas to be posted and/or painted, "FIRE LANE NO PARKING" shall be submitted and approved by the Fire Department prior to building permit application sign-off.
- r. Electric Gates approved by the Fire Department shall be tested by the Fire Department prior to Building and Safety granting a Certificate of Occupancy.
- s. Private development shall conform to the standard street dimensions shown on Department of Public Works Standard Plan S-470-0.
- t. Standard cut-corners will be used on all turns.

Adequate off-site public and on-site private fire hydrants may be required.
 Their number and location to be determined after the Fire Department's review of the plot plan.

Note: The applicant is further advised that all subsequent contact regarding these conditions must be with the Hydrant and Access Unit. This would include clarification, verification of condition compliance and plans or building permit applications, etc., and shall be accomplished **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**, In order to assure that you receive service with a minimum amount of waiting please call **(818) 374-4351.** You should advise any consultant representing you of this requirement as well.

DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER

- 7. Satisfactory arrangements shall be made with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) for compliance with LADWP's Water System Rules and requirements. Upon compliance with these conditions and requirements, LADWP's Water Services Organization will forward the necessary clearances to the Bureau of Engineering. (This condition shall be deemed cleared at the time the City Engineer clears Condition No. S-1.(c).)
- 8. That prior to the issuance of a grading or building permit, satisfactory arrangements shall be made with the Department of Water and Power for the following:
 - a. Install (1) 2 ½ x 4d Fire Hydrant per LAFD.
 - b. Arrange for the Department to install fire hydrants, meters, and services.
 - c. Pressure regulators will be required in accordance with the Los Angeles City Plumbing Code for the following lot(s) where pressure exceed 80 psi at the building pad elevation. All lots.
 - d. New fire hydrants and/or top upgrades to existing fire hydrants are required in accordance with the Los Angeles Fire Code.

Note: Questions regarding WSO clearance should be directed to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Water Distribution Engineering, P.O. Box 51111, Room 1425, Los Angeles, California 90051-5700 or (213) 367-1235.

BUREAU OF SANITATION

9. Wastewater Collection Systems Division of the Bureau of Sanitation has inspected the sewer/storm drain lines serving the subject tract and found no potential problems to their structure or potential maintenance problem, as stated in the memo dated May 19, 2017. Upon compliance with its conditions and requirements, the Bureau of Sanitation, Wastewater Collection Systems Division will forward the necessary clearances to the Bureau of Engineering. (This condition shall be deemed cleared at the time the City Engineer clears Condition No. S-1. (d).)

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AGENCY

10. To assure that cable television facilities will be installed in the same manner as other required improvements, please email cabletv.ita@lacity.org that provides an automated response with the instructions on how to obtain the Cable TV clearance. The automated response also provides the email address of three people in case the applicant/owner has any additional questions.

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

11. That the Park Fee paid to the Department of Recreation and Parks be calculated as a Subdivision (Quimby in-lieu) fee.

DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING-SITE SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

- 12. Prior to the recordation of the final map, the subdivider shall prepare and execute a Covenant and Agreement (Planning Department General Form CP-6770) in a manner satisfactory to the Planning Department, binding the subdivider and all successors to the following:
 - a. Limit the proposed development to a maximum of 15 dwelling units.
 - b. Provide a minimum of two (2) covered off-street parking spaces per dwelling unit.
 - c. A minimum of four shade trees (24-inch box minimum and 10 feet in height) shall be planted onsite.
 - d. That prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy, a minimum 6-foot-high slumpstone or decorative masonry wall shall be constructed adjacent to neighboring residences, if no such wall already exists, except in required front yard.
 - e. The applicant shall install an air filtration system(s) to reduce the effects of diminished air quality on occupants of the project.
 - f. That a solar access report shall be submitted to the satisfaction of the Advisory Agency prior to obtaining a grading permit.
 - g. That the subdivider consider the use of natural gas and/or solar energy and consult with the Department of Water and Power and Southern California Gas Company regarding feasible energy conservation measures.
 - h. Recycling bins shall be provided at appropriate locations to promote recycling of paper, metal, glass, and other recyclable material.

 Lighting along the walkway, parking areas, and entrances shall be lowlevel lighting similar to incandescent light for security, and shall be shielded downward onto the site.

13. INDEMNIFICATION AND REIMBURSEMENT OF LITIGATION COSTS.

Applicant shall do all of the following:

- (i) Defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City from any and all actions against the City relating to or arising out of, in whole or in part, the City's processing and approval of this entitlement, including <u>but not limited to</u>, an action to attack, challenge, set aside, void or otherwise modify or annul the approval of the entitlement, the environmental review of the entitlement, or the approval of subsequent permit decisions, or to claim personal property damage, including from inverse condemnation or any other constitutional claim.
- (ii) Reimburse the City for any and all costs incurred in defense of an action related to or arising out of, in whole or in part, the City's processing and approval of the entitlement, including but not limited to payment of all court costs and attorney's fees, costs of any judgments or awards against the City (including an award of attorney's fees), damages, and/or settlement costs.
- (iii) Submit an initial deposit for the City's litigation costs to the City within 10 days' notice of the City tendering defense to the Applicant and requesting a deposit. The initial deposit shall be in an amount set by the City Attorney's Office, in its sole discretion, based on the nature and scope of action, but in no event shall the initial deposit be less than \$50,000. The City's failure to notice or collect the deposit does not relieve the Applicant from responsibility to reimburse the City pursuant to the requirement in paragraph (ii).
- (iv) Submit supplemental deposits upon notice by the City. Supplemental deposits may be required in an increased amount from the initial deposit if found necessary by the City to protect the City's interests. The City's failure to notice or collect the deposit does not relieve the Applicant from responsibility to reimburse the City pursuant to the requirement in paragraph (ii).
- (v) If the City determines it necessary to protect the City's interest, execute an indemnity and reimbursement agreement with the City under terms consistent with the requirements of this condition.

The City shall notify the applicant within a reasonable period of time of its receipt of any action and the City shall cooperate in the defense. If the City fails to notify the applicant of any claim, action, or proceeding in a reasonable time, of if the City fails to reasonably cooperate in the defense, the applicant shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify or hold harmless the City.

The City shall have the sole right to choose its counsel, including the City Attorney's office or outside counsel. At its sole discretion, the City may participate at its own expense in the defense of any action, but such participation shall not relieve the applicant of any obligation imposed by this condition. In the event the Applicant fails to comply with this condition, in whole or in part, the City may withdraw its defense of the action, void its approval of the entitlement, or take any other action. The City retains the right to make all decisions with respect to its representations in any legal proceeding, including its inherent right to abandon or settle litigation.

For purposes of this condition, the following definitions apply:

"City" shall be defined to include the City, its agents, officers, boards, commissions, committees, employees, and volunteers.

"Action" shall be defined to include suits, proceedings (including those held under alternative dispute resolution procedures), claims, or lawsuits. Action includes actions, as defined herein, alleging failure to comply with <u>any</u> federal, state or local law.

Nothing in the definitions included in this paragraph are intended to limit the rights of the City or the obligations of the Applicant otherwise created by this condition.

- 14. That prior to the issuance of the building permit or the recordation of the final map, a copy of the by-right Density Bonus Rental Covenant Agreement running with the land shall be submitted to the satisfaction of the Advisory Agency. In the event that is not approved, the subdivider shall submit a tract modification.
- 15. Prior to the recordation of the final map, the owner shall execute a covenant to the satisfaction of the Los Angeles Housing and Community Investment Department (HCIDLA) to make two (2) units of the residential condominium development available for rental or sale solely to lower- or very low- income households, at a rental or sales price determined to be affordable to (lower- or very low- or moderate- income households) by HCIDLA, for a period of 55 years. Said units shall be comparable in size, number of bedrooms, distribution, and amenities to the non-income-restricted units in the development.

DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING - STANDARD CONDOMINIUM CONDITIONS

- C-1 That approval of this tract constitutes approval of model home uses, including a sales office and off-street parking. Where the existing zoning is (T) or (Q) for multiple residential use, no construction or use shall be permitted until the final map has recorded or the proper zone has been effectuated. If models are constructed under this tract approval, the following conditions shall apply:
 - 1. Prior to recordation of the final map, the subdivider shall submit a plot plan for approval by the Development Services Section of the Department of

City Planning showing the location of the model dwellings, sales office and off-street parking. The sales office must be within one of the model buildings.

- All other conditions applying to Model Dwellings under Section 12.22-A, 10 and 11 and Section 17.05-O of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) shall be fully complied with satisfactory to the Department of Building and Safety.
- C-2 Prior to the recordation of the final map, the subdivider shall pay or guarantee the payment of a park and recreation fee based on the latest fee rate schedule applicable. The amount of said fee to be established by the Advisory Agency in accordance with Section 17.12 of the LAMC and to be paid and deposited in the trust accounts of the Park and Recreation Fund.
- C-3 That a landscape plan, prepared by a licensed landscape architect, be submitted to and approved by the Advisory Agency in accordance with CP-6730 prior to obtaining any permit. The landscape plan shall identify tree replacement on a 1:1 basis (minimum four trees) by a minimum of 24-inch box trees for the unavoidable loss of desirable trees on the site that existing onsite prior to building demolition in 2016. Failure to comply with this condition as written shall require the filing of a modification to this tract map in order to clear the condition.

In the event the subdivider decides not to request a permit before the recordation of the final map, a covenant and agreement satisfactory to the Advisory Agency guaranteeing the submission of such plan before obtaining any permit shall be recorded.

C-4 In order to expedite the development, the applicant may apply for a building permit for an apartment building. However, prior to issuance of a building permit for apartments, the registered civil engineer, architect or licensed land surveyor shall certify in a letter to the Advisory Agency that all applicable tract conditions affecting the physical design of the building and/or site, have been included into the building plans. Such letter is sufficient to clear this condition. In addition, all of the applicable tract conditions shall be stated in full on the building plans and a copy of the plans shall be reviewed and approved by the Advisory Agency prior to submittal to the Department of Building and Safety for Certificate of Occupancy.

BUREAU OF ENGINEERING - STANDARD CONDITIONS

- S-1 (a) That the sewerage facilities charge be deposited prior to recordation of the final map over all of the tract in conformance with Section 64.11.2 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC).
 - (b) That survey boundary monuments be established in the field in a manner satisfactory to the City Engineer and located within the California Coordinate System prior to recordation of the final map. Any alternative

- measure approved by the City Engineer would require prior submission of complete field notes in support of the boundary survey.
- (c) That satisfactory arrangements be made with both the Water System and the Power System of the Department of Water and Power with respect to water mains, fire hydrants, service connections and public utility easements.
- (d) That any necessary sewer, street, drainage and street lighting easements be dedicated. In the event it is necessary to obtain off-site easements by separate instruments, records of the Bureau of Right-of-Way and Land shall verify that such easements have been obtained. The above requirements do not apply to easements of off-site sewers to be provided by the City.
- (e) That drainage matters be taken care of satisfactory to the City Engineer.
- (f) That satisfactory street, sewer and drainage plans and profiles as required, together with a lot grading plan of the tract and any necessary topography of adjoining areas be submitted to the City Engineer.
- (g) That any required slope easements be dedicated by the final map.
- (h) That each lot in the tract comply with the width and area requirements of the Zoning Ordinance.
- (i) That 1-foot future streets and/or alleys be shown along the outside of incomplete public dedications and across the termini of all dedications abutting unsubdivided property. The 1-foot dedications on the map shall include a restriction against their use of access purposes until such time as they are accepted for public use.
- (j) That any 1-foot future street and/or alley adjoining the tract be dedicated for public use by the tract, or that a suitable resolution of acceptance be transmitted to the City Council with the final map.
- (k) That no public street grade exceeds 15%.
- (I) That any necessary additional street dedications be provided to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 2010.
- S-2 That the following provisions be accomplished in conformity with the improvements constructed herein:
 - (a) Survey monuments shall be placed and permanently referenced to the satisfaction of the City Engineer. A set of approved field notes shall be furnished, or such work shall be suitably guaranteed, except where the setting of boundary monuments requires that other procedures be followed.

- (b) Make satisfactory arrangements with the Department of Traffic with respect to street name, warning, regulatory and guide signs.
- (c) All grading done on private property outside the tract boundaries in connection with public improvements shall be performed within dedicated slope easements or by grants of satisfactory rights of entry by the affected property owners.
- (d) All improvements within public streets, private streets, alleys and easements shall be constructed under permit in conformity with plans and specifications approved by the Bureau of Engineering.
- (e) Any required bonded sewer fees shall be paid <u>prior to recordation of the</u> final map.
- S-3 That the following improvements be either constructed <u>prior to recordation of the final map</u> or that the construction be suitably guaranteed:
 - (a) Construct on-site sewers to serve the tract as determined by the City Engineer.
 - (b) Construct any necessary drainage facilities.
 - (c) Install street lighting facilities to serve the tract as required by the Bureau of Street Lighting.
 - a. Construct new street light: one (1) on Fair Avenue.
 - b. Any necessary removal and reconstruction of existing improvements.

Notes: The quantity of street lights identified may be modified slightly during the plan check process based on illumination calculations and equipment selection. Conditions set: 1) in compliance with a Specific Plan, 2) by LADOT, or 3) by other legal instrument excluding the Bureau of Engineering condition S-3 (i), requiring an improvement that will change the geometrics of the public roadway or driveway apron may require additional or the reconstruction of street lighting improvements as part of that condition.

(d) Plant street trees and remove any existing trees within dedicated streets or proposed dedicated streets as required by the Street Tree Division of the Bureau of Street Maintenance. All street tree plantings shall be brought up to current standards. When the City has previously been paid for tree planting, the subdivider or contractor shall notify the Urban Forestry Division ((213) 847-3077) upon completion of construction to expedite tree planting.

- (e) Repair or replace any off-grade or broken curb, gutter and sidewalk satisfactory to the City Engineer.
- (f) Construct access ramps for the handicapped as required by the City Engineer.
- (g) Close any unused driveways satisfactory to the City Engineer.
- (h) Construct any necessary additional street improvements to comply with the 2010 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Standards for Accessible Design.
- (i) That the following improvements be either constructed prior to recordation of the final map or that the construction be suitably guaranteed:
 - a. Improve Fair Avenue being dedicated and adjoining the subdivision by the construction of the following:
 - i. A concrete curb, a concrete gutter, and a 12-foot full width concrete sidewalk with tree wells.
 - ii. Suitable surfacing to join the existing pavement and to complete an 18-foot half roadway.
 - iii. Any necessary removal and reconstruction of existing improvements.
 - iv. The necessary transitions to join the existing improvement.

NOTES:

The Advisory Agency approval is the maximum number of units permitted under the tract action. However the existing or proposed zoning may not permit this number of units.

Any removal of the existing street trees shall require Board of Public Works approval.

Satisfactory arrangements shall be made with the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Power System, to pay for removal, relocation, replacement or adjustment of power facilities due to this development. The subdivider must make arrangements for the underground installation of all new utility lines in conformance with Section 17.05-N of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC).

The final map must record within 36 months of this approval, unless a time extension is granted before the end of such period.

The Advisory Agency hereby finds that this tract conforms to the California Water Code, as required by the Subdivision Map Act.

The subdivider should consult the Department of Water and Power to obtain energy saving design features which can be incorporated into the final building plans for the subject development. As part of the Total Energy Management Program of the Department of Water and Power, this no-cost consultation service will be provided to the subdivider upon his request.

FINDINGS OF FACT (CEQA)

The Deputy Advisory Agency determined, based on the whole of the administrative record, the Project is exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section(s) 15332 (Class 32-Infill Development), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines. Section 15300.2 applies.

FINDINGS OF FACT (SUBDIVISION MAP ACT)

In connection with the approval of Tentative Tract No. 74951-CN, the Advisory Agency of the City of Los Angeles, pursuant to Sections 66473.1, 66474.60, .61 and .63 of the State of California Government Code (the Subdivision Map Act), makes the prescribed findings as follows:

(a) THE PROPOSED MAP IS CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PLANS.

The adopted North Hollywood-Valley Village Community Plan designates the property for Low Medium II Residential Land Uses use with the corresponding zone of RD1 and RD1.5 and Height District 1VL. The property contains approximately 0.39 acres and is presently zoned RD1.5-1VL. The Low Medium II Residential Land Use Designation and the RD1.5-1VL Zone permit condominium development subject to lot areas comprised of a minimum of 16,799 square feet, and a minimum of 1,500 square feet per dwelling unit pursuant to Section 12.10 of Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC). The proposed subdivision for 15-units is allowable under the current adopted zone and the land use designation per State Density Bonus Law. The proposed project exceeds the base density of 11-units allowed by an RD1.5 Zone as a result of a by-right density bonus with no incentives, which permits four (4) additional units for a total of 15-units.

The development and subdivision is also supported by the North Hollywood-Valley Village Community Plan and Citywide General Plan Framework Element objectives and policies as followed:

North Hollywood-Valley Village Community Plan

Objective 1-2: To locate new housing in a manner which reduces vehicular trips and makes it accessible to services and facilities.

Policy 1-2.3: Locate higher residential densities near commercial centers, light rail transit stations, and major bus routes where public service facilities and utilities will accommodate this development.

General Plan-Framework Element

Objective 4.1: Plan the capacity for and development incentives to encourage production of an adequate supply of housing units of various types within each City subregion to meet the projected housing needs by income level of the future population.

Policy 4-1.1: Provide sufficient land use and density to accommodate an adequate supply of housing units by type and cost within each City subregion to meet the twenty-year projections of housing needs (see Figure 4-1).

Policy 4-1.4: Reduce overcrowded housing conditions by providing incentives to encourage development of family-size units.

Policy 4-1.5: Monitor the growth of housing developments and the forecast of housing needs to achieve a distribution of housing resources to all portions of the City and all income segments of the City's residents.

Policy 4-1.7: Establish incentives for the development of housing units appropriate for families with children and larger families.

The site is within a Transit Priority Area, which places future owners less than a quarter mile from the Redline (subway) and Orange Line (busway) station. This area is also within walking distance of the NoHo Arts District which is a commercial center for the area. As such, the proposed map is consistent with the General Plan and the North Hollywood-Valley Village Community Plan.

(b) THE DESIGN OR IMPROVEMENT OF THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION IS CONSISTENT WITH APPLICABLE GENERAL AND SPECIFIC PLANS.

"Design" is defined under Section 66418 of the State Subdivision Map Act to mean (1) street alignment grades and width; (2) drainage and sanitary facilities and utilities, including alignments and grades thereof; (3) location and size of all required easements and rights-of-way; (4) fire roads and fire breakers; (5) lot size and configuration; (6) traffic access; (7) grading; (8) land to be dedicated for park or recreational purposes; and (9) other specific physical requirements in the plan and configuration of the entire subdivision that are necessary to ensure consistency with, or implementation of, the general plan or any applicable specific plan.

The 2035 Mobility Element standards classifies Fair Avenue as a Local Street, which is dedicated to a width of 60 feet at the lot's street frontage. Bureau of Engineering (BOE) has reviewed the proposed subdivision and found the subdivision layout generally satisfactory. As a condition of approval, the subdivider is required to make dedications and improvements on Fair Avenue in order to the meet the Local Street standards. BOE also notes that there is an existing sewer available in the street adjoining the subdivision that the tract will connect to the public sewer system, and will not result in violation of the

California Water Code. BOE is also requiring that a 10-foot wide strip of land be dedicated along Fair Avenue adjoining the subdivision to complete a 30-foot wide half right-of-way dedication in accordance with Local Street standards and the 2035 Mobility Element. The Tentative Tract and Zone Information and Map Access System (ZIMAS) do not reveal any easements on the subject property. The Los Angeles Fire Department, Department of Transportation, Building & Safety Grading Division and other City departments all issued site specific conditions, which the subdivider will have to comply with to ensure the design and improvements of the proposed subdivision are consistent with the applicable General Plan and North Hollywood-Valley Village Community Plan. The lot size after dedication will result in a 16,799 net square-foot lot (0.39 acres).

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 the property is located outside the flood zone. Therefore, the design and improvement of the subdivision, and as conditioned, the proposed map is substantially consistent with the applicable General and North Hollywood-Valley Village Community Plan affecting the project site, and demonstrates compliance with Sections 17.01, and 17.05 C of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC).

(c) THE SITE IS PHYSICALLY SUITABLE FOR THE TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT.

The site was previously developed with a one-story duplex and two detached garages. The site is an under improved property along the block face. The development of this tract is an infill of an otherwise mixed-density neighborhood. The Zone Information & Map Access System reveals the site is not located within a designated Special Grading Area or Hillside Area. The site is not located within a high fire hazard zone, flood zone, methane hazard site, landslide, or tsunami inundation zone or within an Alquist-Priolo Fault Zone. The nearest Fault (Hollywood Fault) is located 4.3 kilometers from the project site. The site is located within a designated liquefaction area.

The Department of Building and Safety, Grading Division, has conditionally approved the tract map, subject to conditions stated in the Soils Approval Letter dated May 26, 2016. Wastewater Collection Systems Division of the Bureau of Sanitation has inspected the sewer/storm drain lines serving the subject tract and found no potential problems to their structures or potential maintenance problem, as stated in the memo dated May 19, 2017. The Department of Water and Power also determined that the site can be supplied with water as stated in the memo dated June 2, 2017. Therefore, the project site is physically suitable for the proposed type of development.

(d) THE SITE IS PHYSICALLY SUITABLE FOR THE PROPOSED DENSITY OF DEVELOPMENT.

The subject site is surrounded by Low Medium II Residential and Community Commercial General Plan Land Use Designations. The properties to the west, north, east, and south of the subject site are zoned RD1.5-1VL, but the

properties farther south fronting Burbank Boulevard are zoned C2-1. The properties to the north of the subject site are developed with multi-family residential apartments, while the properties abutting the subject site to the east are developed with single-family homes. Other properties to the east of the subject site and fronting Fulcher Avenue, include a mixture of single-family homes, duplexes, and multi-family apartments. The adjacent properties to the south of the subject site are developed with multi-family apartments. Farther south, there is a multi-family apartment building in a C2-1 Zone, as well as auto body shops fronting Burbank Boulevard. The properties to the west are developed with multi-family apartments and duplexes.

The subject site is one of the few underimproved properties in the vicinity. The development of this tract is an infill of an otherwise multiple-family and mixed density residential neighborhood. The three (3)-story, 15-unit residential condominium with at-grade parking is a suitable density for the site and consistent with RD1.5-1VL Zone and Density Bonus, as other multi-family apartments exist in the neighborhood with the similar or greater densities. Furthermore, the site is relatively level and is not located in a slope stability study area, high erosion hazard area, or a fault-rupture study zone. The proposed project is consistent with that of adjoining multi-family residential developments and is appropriate for the density of the development.

(e) THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION OR THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS ARE NOT LIKELY TO CAUSE SUBSTANTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE OR SUBSTANTIALLY AND AVOIDABLY INJURE FISH OR WILDLIFE OR THEIR HABITAT.

The exemption prepared for the project identifies no potential adverse impact on fish or wildlife resources as far as earth, air, water, plant life, animal life, or their natural habitat. Furthermore, the project site, as well as the surrounding area is presently vacant as such the site does not provide a natural habitat for either fish or wildlife. This subdivision is part of a class of projects which the Advisory Agency has determined will not have a significant effect upon the environment.

(f) THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION OR TYPE OF IMPROVEMENTS IS NOT LIKELY TO CAUSE SERIOUS PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEMS.

There appears to be no potential public health problems caused by the design or improvement of the proposed subdivision. The development is required to be connected to the City's sanitary sewer system, where the sewage will be directed to the LA Hyperion Treatment Plant, which has been upgraded to meet Statewide ocean discharge standards. The Bureau of Engineering has reported that the proposed subdivision does not violate the existing California Water Code because the subdivision will be connected to the public sewer system and will have only a minor incremental impact on the quality of the effluent from the Hyperion Treatment Plant.

(g) THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION OR THE TYPE OF IMPROVEMENTS WILL NOT CONFLICT WITH EASEMENTS, ACQUIRED BY THE PUBLIC AT

LARGE, FOR ACCESS THROUGH OR USE OF PROPERTY WITHIN THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION.

There are no known easements on the subject site. Needed public access for roads and utilities will be acquired by the City prior to recordation of the proposed tract.

(h) THE DESIGN OF THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION SHALL PROVIDE, TO THE EXTENT FEASIBLE, FOR FUTURE PASSIVE OR NATURAL HEATING OR COOLING OPPORTUNITIES IN THE SUBDIVISION. (REF. SECTION 66473.1)

The subject site consists of (three legally tied lots) which make up one flat and rectangular-shaped parcel with a street frontage of approximately 60 feet along the east side of Fair Avenue with a uniform depth of 86 feet on the north and south side of the lot. Although the 15-unit residential condominium is oriented in the north and south direction, the frontage of the building gets southern exposure from the sun. The roof and courtyard area are not obstructed given that the proposed project is a three-story residential condominium while the adjacent and abutting properties include two-story apartment buildings and a one-story singlefamily dwelling. The west elevation of the subject site receives the prevailing winds from the west and northwest from the Santa Ana winds which provide natural and cooling for a majority of the units. The local climate of the Valley is generally warmer than other parts of Los Angeles. The City averages approximately 329 days of sun per year with most precipitation occurring in the winter months. The summers can reach the high 90s and the temperature in the winter does not fall below 40 degrees. The building has been designed in a way that does not result in reducing the allowable density. In addition to the design of the subdivision, prior to obtaining a building permit, the subdivider shall consider building construction techniques, such as overhanging eaves, location of windows, insulation, exhaust fans; planting of trees for shade purposes and the height of the buildings on the site in relation to adjacent development. In assessing the feasibility of passive or natural heating or cooling opportunities in the proposed subdivision design, the applicant has prepared and submitted materials which consider the local climate, contours, configuration of the parcel to be subdivided and other design and improvement requirements.

These findings shall apply to both the tentative and final maps for Tract No. 74951-CN.

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Note: If you wish to file an appeal, it must be filed within 10 calendar days from the decision date as noted in this letter. For an appeal to be valid to the City Planning Commission or Area Planning Commission, it must be accepted as complete by the City Planning Department and appeal fees paid, prior to expiration of the above 10-day time limit. Such appeal must be submitted on Master Appeal Form No. CP-7769 at the Department's Public Offices, located at:

Figueroa Plaza 201 North Figueroa Street, 4 th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 482-7077	Marvin Braude San Fernando Valley Constituent Service Center 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Suite 251 Van Nuys, CA 91401	West Los Angeles Development Services Center 1828 Sawtelle Boulevard, 2nd Floor Los Angeles, CA 90025
(213) 482-7077	(818) 374-5050	(310) 231-2901

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