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Kyle McCloskey (R) Westcon Engineering 6355 Topanga Cyn Blvd, #345 Woodland Hills, CA 91367 Preliminary Parcel Map No. AA-2017-1388-PMLA Related Case: N/A 4343 W Clarissa Ave Hollywood Planning Area Specific Plan Subarea: N/A Zone: R2-1XL Council District: 4 CEQA: ENV-2017-1389-CE Legal Description: Lot 37; TR 6323

In accordance with provisions of Section 17.53 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, the Advisory Agency adopted a Categorical Exemption from the environmental review pursuant to Article III, Section 1, Class 15 and Class 3, Category 2 of the CEQA State Guidelines, and approved Parcel Map AA-2017-1388-PMLA composed of one lot, located at 4343 West Clarissa Avenue, for a maximum two (2) unit residential condominium as shown on map stamp-dated April 5, 2017. This unit density is based on the R2 Zone. (The subdivider is hereby advised that the Municipal Code may not permit this maximum approved density. Therefore, verification should be obtained from the Department of Building and Safety which shall legally interpret the Zoning Code as it applies to this particular property). 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. A copy of the first page of this grant and all conditions and/or any subsequent appeal of this grant and its resultant conditions and/or letters of clarification shall be printed on the building plans submitted to the Department of Building and Safety for purposes of having a building permit issued.

BUREAU OF ENGINEERING

Bureau of Engineering approvals are conducted at the Land Development Group, located 201 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 200. Any questions regarding these conditions should be directed to Mr. Ray Saidi by calling (213) 202-3492.

- 1. That a 5-foot wide strip of land be dedicated along Clarissa Avenue adjoining the subdivision to complete a 30-foot wide half right-of-way dedication.
- 2. That the entire subdivision be labeled as Parcel "A" on the final map.
- 3. That the following improvements be either constructed prior to recordation of the final map or that the construction be suitably guaranteed:
 - a. Improve Clarissa Avenue being dedicated and adjoining the subdivision by the construction of the following:
 - i. A concrete curb, a concrete gutter, a minimum 5-foot wide concrete sidewalk; plant trees and landscape the parkway area.
 - ii. Suitable surfacing to join the existing pavement and to complete an 18-foot wide half roadway.
 - iii. Any necessary removal and reconstruction of the existing improvements.
 - iv. The necessary transitions to join the existing improvements.
- 4. That the following street lighting facilities to serve the parcel map as required by the Bureau of Street Lighting be either constructed prior to recordation of the final map or that the construction be suitably guaranteed:
 - a. Construct one (1) new light on Clarissa Avenue.

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) above, requiring an improvement that will change the geometrics of the public roadway may require additional or the reconstruction of street lighting improvements as part of that condition.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY, GRADING DIVISION

Grading Division approvals are conducted at 221 N. Figueroa Street, 12th Floor, Suite 1200 Counter.

5. Comply with any requirements with the Department of Building and Safety, Grading Division for recordation of the final map and issuance of any permit.

DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY, ZONING DIVISION

Building and Safety approvals are conducted by appointment only- <u>contact Eric Wong at (213)</u> <u>482-6876</u> to schedule an appointment. <u>Any proposed structures or uses on the site have not been</u> <u>checked for Building or Zoning Code requirements. Plan check may be required before any</u> <u>construction, occupancy or change of use.</u> Unless filed concurrently and included as part of the hearing notice with this subdivision, any additional deviations from the Los Angeles Municipal Code required by the Department of Building and Safety Office of the Zoning Engineer preliminary to the Zoning Engineer clearing the items on the report to the Advisory Agency, shall be separately filed through the City Planning Department Office of the Zoning Administrator.

- 6. <u>That prior to recordation of the final map</u>, 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 dedication(s) as required by Bureau of Engineering and provide net lot area after all dedication. "Area" requirements shall be re-checked as per net lot area after street dedication. Front yard requirements shall be required to comply with current code as measured from new property lines after dedication(s).

Notes:

The submitted Map may not comply with the number of parking spaces required by Section 12.21 A.4(a) based on number of habitable rooms in each unit. If there are insufficient numbers of parking spaces, obtain approval from the Department of City Planning.

The submitted Map may not comply with the number of guest parking spaces required by the Advisory Agency.

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.

Backup space for parking space with less than 26'-8" shall provide sufficient parking stall width and garage door opening width to comply with the current Zoning Code requirement.

***NOTE TO PLAN CHECKER AND ZONING ENGINEER'S OFFICE:** Pursuant to Section 12.23 E of the Municipal Code and ZA 93-0228 (ZAI) issued February 22, 1993, the Advisory Agency has determined no additional approvals for substandard minimum lot width or substandard minimum lot area is required.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Transportation approvals are conducted at 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Room 320, Van Nuys, CA 91401. Please contact Taghi Gharagozli at <u>taghi.gharagozli@lacity.org</u> or 818-374-4699. For any questions regarding the following.

7. That the project be subject to any recommendations from the Department of Transportation.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Department approvals and review are conducted at 201 North Figueroa Street, 3rd floor. 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 <u>BY APPOINTMENT ONLY</u>, in order to assure that you receive service with a minimum amount of waiting please call (213) 482-

6543. You should advise any consultant representing you of this requirement as well.

- 8. Submit plot plans for Fire Department review and approval prior to recordation of this Parcel Map Action. Access for Fire Department apparatus and personnel to and into all structures shall be required. In addition, the following items shall be satisfied:
 - a. Access for Fire Department apparatus and personnel to and into all structures shall be required.

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.

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.

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.

L.A.M.C. 57.09.03.B Exception:

- When this exception is applied to a fully fire sprinklered residential building equipped with a wet standpipe outlet inside an exit stairway with at least a 2 hour rating the distance from the wet standpipe outlet in the stairway to the entry door of any dwelling unit or guest room shall not exceed 150 feet of horizontal travel AND the distance from the edge of the roadway of an improved street or approved fire lane to the door into the same exit stairway directly from outside the building shall not exceed 150 feet of horizontal travel.
- It is the intent of this policy that in no case will the maximum travel distance exceed 150 feet inside the structure and 150 feet outside the structure. The term "horizontal travel" refers to the actual path of travel to be taken by a person responding to an emergency in the building.
- This policy does not apply to single-family dwellings or to non-residential buildings.
- Building designs for multi-storied residential buildings shall incorporate at least one access stairwell off the main lobby of the building; But, in no case greater than 150ft horizontal travel distance from the edge of the public street, private street or Fire Lane. This stairwell shall extend onto the roof.
- Entrance to the main lobby shall be located off the address side of the building.
- Any required Fire Annunciator panel or Fire Control Room shall be located within 50ft visual line of site of the main entrance stairwell or to the satisfaction of the Fire Department.

• Where rescue window access is required, provide conditions and improvements necessary to meet accessibility standards as determined by the Los Angeles Fire Department.

SECTION 510 - EMERGENCY RESPONDER RADIO COVERAGE

5101.1 Emergency responder radio coverage in new buildings. All new buildings shall have approved radio coverage for emergency responders within the building based upon the existing coverage levels of the public safety communication systems of the jurisdiction at the exterior of the building. This section shall not require improvement of the existing public safety communication systems.

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 **<u>BY APPOINTMENT ONLY</u>**, in order to assure that you receive service with a minimum amount of waiting please call (213) **482-6504 374-4351**. You should advise any consultant representing you of this requirement as well.

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 August 25, 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).)

DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS

Please Note: Park fees are now paid at 221 N. Figueroa Street, Suite 400, Los Angeles, CA 90012. If you have any questions or comments regarding this information please feel free to contact the RAP Park Fee staff at (213) 202-2657.

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

LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (LAUSD)

Construction mitigations regarding impacts on schools are monitored by the LAUSD. Begin this process by calling (213) 580-2920. If no construction mitgations are required by the LAUSD or the environmental document, this condition may be cleared by a written communication from the LAUSD Transportation Branch- phone no.(323) 342-1400-attesting to the required coordination.

11. <u>That prior to the issuance of any demolition or grading permit or any other permit allowing</u> <u>site preparation and/or construction activities on the site</u>, satisfactory arrangements shall be made with the Los Angeles Unified School District. The project site is located on the pedestrian and bus routes for students attending Franklin Elementary School. Therefore, the applicant shall make timely contact for coordination to safeguard pedestrians/ motorists with the LAUSD Transportation Branch, phone no. (213) 580-2950, and the principals or designees of Franklin Elementary School. (This condition may be cleared by a written communication from the LAUSD Transportation Branch attesting to the required coordination and/or the principals of the above referenced schools and to the satisfaction of the Advisory Agency).

BUREAU OF STREET LIGHTING-SPECIFIC CONDITIONS

Street Lighting clearance for this Street Light Maintenance Assessment District Condition is conducted at 1149 S. Broadway Suite 200. Street Lighting improvement condition clearance will be conducted at the Bureau of Engineering District Office, See Condition 4

12. If new street light(s) are required, then prior to the recordation of the final map or issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy (C of O), street lighting improvement plans shall be submitted for review and the owner shall provide a good faith effort via a ballot process for the formation or annexation of the property within the boundary of the development into a Street Lighting Maintenance Assessment District.

Department of City Planning-Site Specific Conditions

Approvals conducted at the Metro, West, or Valley Development Services Centers, unless otherwise indicated.

- 13. <u>Prior to the recordation of the final map</u>, 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. <u>Use</u>. Limit the proposed development to a maximum of two (2) dwelling units.
 - b. <u>Parking</u>. That a minimum of two (2) parking spaces per dwelling unit shall be provided together with ¼ guest parking spaces, for a minimum of four (4) on-site parking spaces. All exterior parking area lighting shall be shielded and directed onto the site.
 - c. Landscape Plans. 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 by a minimum of 24-inch box trees for the unavoidable loss of desirable trees on the site. Failure to comply with this condition as written shall require the filing of a modification to this parcel 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, the following statement shall appear on the plan and be recorded as a covenant and agreement satisfactory to the Advisory Agency guaranteeing that:

- i. The planting and irrigation system shall be completed by the developer/builder prior to the close of escrow of 50 percent of the units of the project or phase.
- ii. Sixty days after landscape and irrigation installation, the landscape professional shall submit to the homeowners/property owners association a Certificate of Substantial Completion (Sec. 12.40 G LAMC.)

- iii. The developer/builder shall maintain the landscaping and irrigation for 60 days after completion of the landscape and irrigation installation.
- iv. The developer/builder shall guarantee all trees and irrigation for a period of six months and all other plants for a period of 60 days after landscape and irrigation installation.
- f. **Parcel Map Conditions on Building Plans.** 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 parcel map 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 parcel map conditions shall be reviewed and approved by the Advisory Agency prior to submittal to the Department of Building and Safety for a building permit.

Alternatively, if a building permit for apartments shall not be requested, the project civil engineer, architect or licensed land surveyor must certify in a letter to the Advisory Agency that the applicant shall not request a permit for apartments and intends to acquire a building permit for a condominium building (s). Such letter is sufficient to clear this condition.

- g. **Fence.** <u>That prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy</u>, 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. The wall shall be covered with clinging vines or screened by vegetation capable of spreading over the entire wall.
- h. **Energy Conservation.** 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.
- i. **Air Filtration.** The applicant shall install air filters capable of achieving a Minimum Efficiency Rating Value (MERV) of at least 8 or better in order to reduce the effects of diminished air quality on the occupants of the project.

j. 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. A covenant and agreement shall be recorded satisfactory to the Advisory Agency stating as follows:
 - a. During construction, exposed earth surfaces shall be sprayed with water at least twice a day by the contractor to minimize dust generation.
 - b. The owner or contractor shall keep the construction area sufficiently dampened to control dust caused by grading and hauling, and at all times provide reasonable control of dust caused by wind.
 - c. Hauling and grading equipment shall be kept in good operating condition and muffled as required by law. Additionally, there shall be no staging of construction equipment and materials on the public streets.
 - d. All loads shall be secured by trimming, watering or other appropriate means to prevent spillage and dust.
 - e. One flag person shall be required at the job site to assist the trucks in and out of the project area. Flag person and warning signs shall be in compliance with the 1996 Edition of "Work Area Traffic Control Handbook".
 - f. All clearing, grading, earth moving, or excavation activities shall be discontinued during periods of high winds (i.e., greater than 15 mph), so as to prevent excessive amounts of dust.
 - g. All materials transported off-site shall be either sufficiently watered or securely covered to prevent excessive amount of dust.
 - h. General contractors shall maintain and operate construction equipment so as to minimize exhaust emissions.
 - i. The project shall comply with the City of Los Angeles Noise Ordinances No. 144,331 and 161,574, and any subsequent ordinances, which prohibit the emission or creation of noise beyond certain levels at adjacent uses unless technically infeasible.
 - j. Construction shall be restricted to the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Saturday.
 - k. Construction activities shall be scheduled so as to avoid operating several pieces of equipment simultaneously, which causes high noise levels.
 - I. The project contractor shall use power construction equipment with state-of-the-art noise shielding and muffling devices.
 - m. The project sponsor must comply with the Noise Insulation Standards of Title 24 of the California Code Regulations, which insure an acceptable interior noise environment.

FINDINGS OF FACT (CEQA):

The Environmental Review Section of the Planning Department, on April 5, 2017, determined that the City of Los Angeles Guidelines for the Implementation of the California Environmental Quality

Act of 1970 designates the subject project as categorically exempt under Article III, Section 3, Class 15 and Class 3, Category 2, ENV-2017-1389-CE.

While the subject site is located within a Very High Fire Hazard Safety Zone, Special Grading Area, and Upper Elysian Park Fault Zone, specific Regulatory Compliance Measures (RCMs) in the City of Los Angeles regulate the grading and construction of projects in these particular types of "sensitive" locations and will reduce any potential impacts to less than significant. Regulatory Compliance Measures (RCMs) include. These RCMs have been historically proven to work to the satisfaction of the City Engineer to reduce any impacts from the specific environment the project is located. Thus, the location of the project will not result in a significant impact based on its location.

There is not a succession of known projects of the same type and in the same place as the subject project. As mentioned, the project proposes two (2) residential condominium units in an area zoned and designated for such development. All adjacent lots are developed with two- to three-story multifamily residential uses, and the subject site is of a similar size and slope to nearby properties. The project size, density and height is not unusual for the vicinity of the subject site, and is similar in scope to other existing residential development in the area. Thus, there are no unusual circumstances which may lead to a significant effect on the environment. According to Appendix B of the City of Los Angeles Mobility Plan, the subject site is not designated as a state scenic highway, nor are there any designated state scenic highways located near the Proposed Site. Furthermore, according to Envirostor, neither the subject site, nor any site in the vicinity, is identified as a hazardous waste site. The Proposed Site has not been identified as a historic resource by local or state agencies, nor been determined to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, California Register of Historical Resources, the Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monuments Register, and/or any local register; and was not found to be a potential historic resource based on the City's HistoricPlacesLA website or SurveyLA, the citywide survey of Los Angeles. Finally, the City does not choose to treat the site as a historic resource. Based on this, the project will not result in a substantial adverse change to the significance of a historic resource and this exception does not apply.

FINDINGS OF FACT (SUBDIVISION MAP ACT):

In connection with the approval of Parcel Map No. AA-2017-1388 -PMLA, pursuant to Section 66474 of the State of California Government Code (the Subdivision Map Act), the Advisory Agency of the City of Los Angeles makes the prescribed findings as follows:

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

The project site is located within the Hollywood Community Plan, one of the 35 Community Plans that the Land Use Element of which the General Plan is comprised. The Community Plan designates the project site with a land use designation of Low Medium I Residential with the corresponding zone of R2-1XL. The proposed project has a lot area of 5,546.9 square feet and a lot width of 50 feet. The project proposes two (2) residential condominium units, which does not exceed the density allowed per the underlying zone. The project site is not within any Specific Plan. Therefore, as conditioned, the proposed parcel map is consistent with the intent and purpose of the applicable General Plan.

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

The adopted Hollywood Community Plan designates the subject property for Low Medium I Residential land uses. The property contains approximately 5,546 square feet and is

presently zoned R2-1XL. The proposed subdivision for two (2) residential condominium units is allowable under the current adopted zone, overlay, and the land use designation.

The Bureau of Sanitation has reviewed the sewer/storm drain lines serving the subject tract and found no potential problems to the City's structures or potential maintenance problems. The project conforms with both the specific provisions and the intent of the Hollywood Community Plan.

No soils and geology approval for the proposed subdivision were needed by the Grading Division of the Department of Building and Safety, as the site is not located within a State of California liquefaction, earthquake induced landslide, or fault-rupture hazard zone. Therefore, as conditioned, the design and improvement of the proposed subdivision is consistent with the intent and purpose of the General Plan.

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

The adjacent properties to the north, south, east, and west are zoned R2-1XL and consist of single and multi-family residential dwellings consistent with the general characteristic of the surrounding neighborhood.

The project site is not located in a Methane Zone, Landslide Zone, Liquefaction Zone, or Hazardous Waste Zone. The Grading Division of the Department of Building and Safety concluded on September 15, 2017 that a Geology and Soils Report is not required prior to planning approval of the Parcel Map as the property is located outside of a City of Los Angeles Hillside Area; is exempt or located outside of a State of California liquefaction, earthquake induced landslide, or fault rupture hazard zone; and does not require any grading or construction of an engineered retaining structure to remove potential geologic hazards. Therefore, the site is physically suitable for the proposed project.

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

The project site consists of a single parcel located along the northerly side of Clarissa Avenue, between Commonwealth Avenue and Talmadge Street. The lot has a width of 50 feet and a uniform depth of approximately 111 feet, for a total lot size of 5,546.9 square feet. The proposed subdivision for two (2) residential condominium units is allowable under the current R2 Zone, and the Low Medium I Residential land use designation.

The Department of Building and Safety, Grading Division has reviewed the project and determined that the site is physically suitable for the proposed type of development. Per the requirements of the R2 Zone the site is sufficient in size for the proposed subdivision. Therefore, the site is physically suitable for the proposed density of development.

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

On October 11, 2017, the Planning Department determined that the City of Los Angeles Guidelines for the implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 and the State CEQA Guidelines designate the subject project as Categorically Exempt under Article III, Section 1, Class 15 and Class 3, Category 2, Case No. ENV-2017-1389-CE.

There are six (6) Exceptions which the City is required to consider before finding a project exempt under Class 15303 and 15332: (a) Location; (b) Cumulative Impacts; (c) Significant Effect; (d) Scenic Highways; (e) Hazardous Waste Sites; and (f) Historical Resources.

While the subject site is located within a Very High Fire Hazard Safety Zone, Special Grading Area, and Upper Elysian Park Fault Zone, specific Regulatory Compliance Measures (RCMs) in the City of Los Angeles regulate the grading and construction of projects in these particular types of "sensitive" locations and will reduce any potential impacts to less than significant. Regulatory Compliance Measures (RCMs) include. These RCMs have been historically proven to work to the satisfaction of the City Engineer to reduce any impacts from the specific environment the project is located. Thus, the location of the project will not result in a significant impact based on its location.

There is not a succession of known projects of the same type and in the same place as the subject project. As mentioned, the project proposes two (2) residential condominium units in an area zoned and designated for such development. All adjacent lots are developed with two-to three-story multi-family residential uses, and the subject site is of a similar size and slope to nearby properties. The project size, density and height is not unusual for the vicinity of the subject site, and is similar in scope to other existing residential development in the area. Thus, there are no unusual circumstances which may lead to a significant effect on the environment. According to Appendix B of the City of Los Angeles Mobility Plan, the subject site is not designated as a state scenic highway, nor are there any designated state scenic highways located near the Proposed Site. Furthermore, according to Envirostor, neither the subject site, nor any site in the vicinity, is identified as a hazardous waste site. The Proposed Site has not been identified as a historic resource by local or state agencies, nor been determined to be eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, California Register of Historical Resources, the Los Angeles Historic-Cultural Monuments Register, and/or any local register; and was not found to be a potential historic resource based on the City's HistoricPlacesLA website or SurveyLA, the citywide survey of Los Angeles. Finally, the City does not choose to treat the site as a historic resource. Based on this, the project will not result in a substantial adverse change to the significance of a historic resource and this exception does not apply.

(f) THE DESIGN OF THE SUBDIVISION AND THE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS ARE NOT LIKELY TO CAUSE SERIOUS PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEMS.

There will 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 AND TH EPROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS WILL NOT CONFLICT WITH EASEMENTS ACQUIRED BY THE PUBLIC AT LARGE FOR ACCESS THROUGH OR USE OF PROPERTY WITHIN THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION

No such easements are known to exist. However, needed public access for roads and utilities will be acquired by the City prior tor recordation of the proposed Parcel Map.

THE FOLLOWING NOTES ARE FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES AND ARE NOT CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL OF THIS PARCEL MAP:

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.

To assure that cable television facilities will be installed in the same manner as other required improvements, please email <u>cabletv.ita@lacity.org</u> 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. The above action shall become effective upon the decision date noted at the top of this letter unless an appeal has been submitted to the Area Planning Commission within 15 calendar days of the decision date. If you wish to appeal, a Master Appeal Form No. CP-7769, must be submitted, accepted as complete, and appeal fees paid by date November 20, 2017* at one of the City Planning Department Public Counters, located at:

Figueroa Plaza 201 North Figueroa Street 4th Floor Los Angeles, CA 90012 (213) 482-7077

Marvin Braude San Fernando Valley Constituent Service Center 6262 Van Nuys Boulevard, Room 251 Van Nuys, CA 91401 (818) 374-5050 West Los Angeles 1828 Sawtelle Boulevard 2nd Floor Los Angeles, CA 90025 (310) 231-2901

*Please note the cashiers at the public counters close at 3:30 PM. **Appeal forms are available on-line at www.lacity.org/pln.**

There is no longer a second level of appeal to the City Council for Parcel Map actions of the Advisory Agency.

The time in which a party may seek judicial review of this determination is governed by California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. Under that provision, a petitioner may seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, only if the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section is filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision becomes final, including all appeals, if any.

No sale of separate parcels is permitted prior to recordation of the final parcel map. The owner is advised that the above action must record within 36 months of the date of approval, unless an extension of time has been requested in person before 5:00 p.m.

No requests for time extensions or appeals received by mail shall be accepted.

VINCENT P. BERTONI, AICP Advisory Agency

Kevin S. Golden Deputy Advisory Agency

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Vane Choi, AICP Serior City Planner

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cc: Bureau of Engineering Dept. of Building & Safety, Zoning Department of Building & Safety, Grading Department of Fire Department of Recreation & Parks Bureau of Street Lighting Department of Transportation Street Tree Division

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