

Your **PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT** **Committee**

reports as follows:

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT, and RESOLUTION relative to a General Plan Amendment for the Warner Center (WC) 2035 Specific Plan, bounded by Vanowen Street to the north, the Ventura Freeway to the south, De Soto Avenue to the east, Topanga Canyon Boulevard to the to the west.

A. Recommendations for Council action:

1. CERTIFY that the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (EIR No. ENV-2008-3471-EIR; State Clearing House No. 1990011055) has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act, the State Guidelines and the City Guidelines and that the City Council has reviewed the information contained therein and considered it along with other factors related to this project; that this determination reflects the independent judgment of the City of Los Angeles; and that the documents constituting the record of proceedings in this matter are located in Council file No. 13-0197 in the custody of the City Clerk and in the files of the Department of City Planning in the custody of the Environmental Review Section; and ADOPT the EIR.
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS made pursuant to and in accordance with Section 21081 of the Public Resources Code and the Statement of Overriding Considerations prepared by the Department of City Planning (DCP).
3. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC), including the Environmental Findings, as the Findings of the Council.
4. ADOPT the accompanying RESOLUTION, as recommended by the Mayor, the Director of Planning and the LACPC, APPROVING the proposed General Plan Amendment General Plan Amendment to the Canoga Park-Winnetka-Woodland Hills-West Hills Community Plan, Transportation Element, as part of the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles (as shown in the exhibits attached to the Council file) for the development of the WC 2035 Specific Plan, bounded by Vanowen Street to the north, the Ventura Freeway to the south, De Soto Avenue to the east, Topanga Canyon Boulevard to the to the west. The WC 2035 Specific Plan has been developed to address: 1) previously identified concerns, 2) the environmental analysis required by the 1993 Specific Plan, and 3) new planning and regulatory requirements associated with sustain ability and reducing regional greenhouse gas emissions.

Applicant: City of Los Angeles

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5. INSTRUCT the DCP to update the General Plan and appropriate maps pursuant to this action.
6. APPROVE the DCP technical changes dated February 19, 2013 (attached to the Council file) with the following amendment:

Revise Technical Correction No. 12 to read as follows: Clarify Section 6.1.2.3.7, Activity Nodes, to bring it into consistence with the LACPC approved map, including Victory Boulevard and De Soto Avenue as a node.
7. APPROVE the request to eliminate value limitation for remodeling projects and not limit remodeling exemptions to investments that are less than 50 percent of the replacement cost.
8. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present ordinances to:
 - a. Include requested rezoning actions to: effect changes of zone and height district for the WC Specific Plan area, adopt the WC 2035 Specific Plan, replace the existing designation of WC Warner Center Specific Plan Zone to its revised designation of the WC CL (College), CO (Commerce), DT (Downtown), NV (North Village), PK (Park), RV (River), TP (Topanga), and UT (Uptown) Zones, and repeal and replace existing WC Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 174061), for the area generally bounded by Vanowen Street to the north, the Ventura Freeway to the south, De Soto Avenue to the east, Topanga Canyon Boulevard to the to the west.
 - b. Amend the Los Angeles Administrative Code to establish the WC Mobility Trust Fund and WC Cultural Arts Trust Fund.
 - c. Establish the WC Signage Supplemental Use District.
9. ADVISE the applicant that, pursuant to California State Public Resources Code Section 21081.6, the City shall monitor or require evidence that mitigation conditions are implemented and maintained throughout the life of the project and the City may require any necessary fees to cover the cost of such monitoring.
10. ADVISE the applicant that, pursuant to State Fish and Game Code Section 711.4, a Fish and Game Fee and/or Certificate of Fee Exemption is now required to be submitted to the County Clerk prior to or concurrent with the Environmental Notice of Determination filing.

B. SUBMITS WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION, the following:

1. Clarify Section 6.1.2.3.7, Activity Nodes, to bring it into consistence with the LACPC approved map, including Victory Boulevard and Owensmouth Avenue as a node.
2. Allow for director signoff, in the Uptown and Downtown districts, for signs over 75 feet rather than requiring a Project Permit for such signage, to encourage attracting tenants without unnecessary delays for discretionary approvals.

3. Allow the definition of interior signs to cover courtyards where no vehicles are permitted, as elsewhere in the City, even if open to pedestrians.

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

TIME LIMIT FILE - APRIL 30, 2013

(LAST DAY FOR COUNCIL ACTION – APRIL 30, 2013)

Summary:

At the public hearing held on February 19, 2013, the PLUM Committee considered a General Plan Amendment for the Warner Center (WC) 2035 Specific Plan, bounded by Vanowen Street to the north, the Ventura Freeway to the south, De Soto Avenue to the east, Topanga Canyon Boulevard to the to the west. Staff from the DCP gave the Committee background information on the matter. Members of the public and staff from the Council Office also spoke.

After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended that Council approve as amended: the reports from the Mayor, Director of Planning, and the LACPC regarding the EIR, the Statement of Overriding Considerations; the Resolution for the proposed General Plan Amendment to the Canoga Park-Winnetka-Woodland Hills-West Hills Community Plan, Transportation Element, as part of the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles (as shown in the exhibits attached to the Council file) for the development of the WC 2035 Specific Plan, bounded by Vanowen Street to the north, the Ventura Freeway to the south, De Soto Avenue to the east, Topanga Canyon Boulevard to the to the west. The PLUM Committee also amended and approved the technical corrections submitted by the DCP, approved some of the requests submitted by Latham and Watkins LLP on February 19, 2013, and requested the City Attorney to prepare and present Ordinances to: include requested rezoning actions to: effect changes of zone and height district for the WC Specific Plan area, amend the Los Angeles Administrative Code to establish the WC Mobility Trust Fund and WC Cultural Arts Trust Fund, and establish the WC Signage Supplemental Use District. This matter is now submitted to Council for its consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
REYES:	YES
HUIZAR:	ABSENT
ENGLANDER:	YES

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