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MEMORANDUM

TO: Sean Haeri, Los Angeles Department of Transportation

Comm from ~~Patrick~~ Planning

FROM: Patrick A. Gibson, P.E., PTOE, and Brian Hartshorn

DATE: April 27, 2016

RE: Mitigation Summary within Culver City
for the Jefferson & La Cienega Mixed-Use Development
Los Angeles, California

Ref: J1354

Gibson Transportation Consulting, Inc. (GTC) respectfully submits this memorandum that discusses additional mitigation measures for traffic impacts at intersections located within Culver City attributable to the development of the Jefferson & La Cienega project (Project) at the corner of Jefferson Boulevard & La Cienega Boulevard in the City of Los Angeles.

For a number of these intersections, the environmental impact report (EIR) prepared for the Project concluded that there were no feasible mitigation measures available to reduce the impacts to a level below significance due to, among other factors, financial concerns.

However, after further analysis and consultation with Culver City, the Project Applicant believes that the additional mitigation measures discussed below are financially feasible and appropriate. These measures should lessen the impacts at these intersections. Further, we understand that for those intersections where right-of-way may be necessary, Culver City controls that needed right-of-way. Therefore, we are asking the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to review these measures and, if they are agreeable, provide its concurrence to these improvements within Culver City so they may be added to the Los Angeles City Council's final approval letter for the Project.

**TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN CULVER CITY
(OR LOCATIONS SHARED WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES)**

The following intersections are included in this review:

Intersection #16 – La Cienega Boulevard & Washington Boulevard

Culver City has requested this intersection be considered for protected lefts turns on Washington Boulevard. The Project Applicant concurs.

Intersection #17 – Fairfax Avenue & Washington Boulevard

Culver City has requested this intersection be considered for Transportation Systems Management (TSM) upgrades, which may include signal interconnect, upgraded detectors, etc. The Project Applicant concurs.

Intersection #18 – Fairfax Avenue & Adams Boulevard

Culver City has requested this intersection be improved with an eastbound to northbound left-turn lane. The Project Applicant concurs.

Intersection #21 – La Cienega Boulevard & Fairfax Avenue

This intersection is shared by the Cities of Los Angeles and Culver City. The EIR mitigation for this location recommended improvements to allow triple westbound left-turn lanes.

This mitigation is acceptable to both LADOT and Culver City and is included on the Mitigation Monitoring Report Program for the City of Los Angeles.

Intersection #22 – Washington Boulevard & National Boulevard

The EIR mitigation for this location recommended converting the right turn on northbound Washington Boulevard to a through/right-turn shared lane.

Culver City recommends replacing this recommendation with TSM upgrades, which may include signal interconnect, upgraded detectors, etc. The Project Applicant concurs.

Intersection #37 – Jefferson Boulevard & Duquesne Avenue

Culver City recommends widening the west side of the street to add a southbound lane on Duquesne Avenue. The Project Applicant concurs.

Intersection #38 – Jefferson Boulevard & Overland Boulevard

Culver City recommends providing dual eastbound left turns on Overland Avenue. The Project Applicant concurs.

RECOMMENDATION

GTC respectfully requests that LADOT review the suggested Culver City improvements and, if they are agreeable, submit concurrence to the Los Angeles Department of City Planning so that these detailed mitigation measures may be added to the final approval letter.