

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION AND RELATED CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) FINDINGS, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT and ORDINANCE FIRST CONSIDERATION relative to a Zone Change Ordinance to establish a Hillside Construction Regulation (HCR) Supplemental Use District (SUD) for hillside residential neighborhoods within the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan area, and a proposed Code Amendment to amend the existing HCR SUD provisions contained in Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 13.20.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR:

1. FIND, based on the independent judgment of the decision-maker, after consideration of the entire administrative record, that based on the whole of the administrative record, the Project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15307 (Class 7) and Section 15308 (Class 8), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies; and ADOPT the Categorical Exemption.
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of Council.
3. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying ORDINANCE, dated November 3, 2022, effectuating a Zone Change to establish the HCR SUD for parcels within the Project boundaries identified from A1-1, A1-1-HPOZ, A1-1XL, R1-1, R1-1-CA, R1-1-CDO, R1-1-HPOZ, R1-1VL, R2-1, R2-1-CDO, RA-1, RD1.5-1, RD1.5-1-CDO, RD1.5-1-HPOZ, RD2-1, RD2-1-CDO, RD2-1-HPOZ, RD3-1, RD3-1-HPOZ, RE11-1, RE15-1, RE20-1, RE40-1, RE9-1, RE9-1-CDO, RS-1, [Q]A1-1D, [Q]A1-1XLD, [Q]R1-1D, [Q]R1-1D-HPOZ, [Q]R2-1D, [Q]R2-1D-HPOZ, [Q]RD1.5-1D, [Q]RD2-1D, [Q]RD3-1D, [Q]RD3-1D-HPOZ, [Q]RD4-1D-HPOZ, [Q]RD5-1D, [Q]RD6-1D, [Q]RE20-1D, [Q]RE40-1D, [Q]RE9-1D, [Q]RS-1D, (T)[Q]RD1.5-1D, (T)(Q)RD5-1D, [T][Q]RD6-1D, and (T)(Q)RE11-1, to A1-1-HCR, A1-1-HPOZ-HCR, A1-1XL-HCR, R1-1-HCR, R1-1-CA-HCR, R1-1-CDO-HCR, R1-1-HPOZ-HCR, R1-1VL-HCR, R2-1-HCR, R2-1-CDO-HCR, RA-1-HCR, RD1.5-1-HCR, RD1.5-1-CDO-HCR, RD1.5-1-HPOZ-HCR, RD2-1-HCR, RD2-1-CDO-HCR, RD2-1-HPOZ-HCR, RD3-1-HCR, RD3-1-HPOZ-HCR, RE11-1-HCR, RE15-1-HCR, RE20-1-HCR, RE40-1-HCR, RE9-1-HCR, RE9-1-CDO-HCR, RS-1-HCR, [Q]A1-1D-HCR, [Q]A1-1XLD-HCR, [Q]R1-1D-HCR, [Q]R1-1D-HPOZ-HCR, [Q]R2-1D-HCR, [Q]R2-1D-HPOZ-HCR, [Q]RD1.5-1D-HCR, [Q]RD2-1D-HCR, [Q]RD3-1D-HCR, [Q]RD3-1D-HPOZ-HCR, [Q]RD4-1D-HPOZ-HCR, [Q]RD5-1D-HCR, [Q]RD6-1D-HCR, [Q]RE20-1D-HCR, [Q]RE40-1D-HCR, [Q]RE9-1D-HCR, [Q]RS-1D-HCR, (T)[Q]RD1.5-1D-HCR, (T)(Q)RD5-1D-HCR, [T][Q]RD6-1D-HCR, and (T)(Q)RE11-1-HCR for various hillside residential neighborhoods throughout the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan area.
4. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present a Code Amendment Ordinance to amend the existing HCR SUD provisions contained in LAMC Section 13.20, proposing a new regulation specific to the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area, as amended by the PLUM Committee on May 16, 2023 to establish 2,500 square feet as the house size threshold to require Site Plan Review.

Applicant: City of Los Angeles

Case No. CPC-2022-6108-ZC-CA

Environmental No. ENV-2022-6109-CE

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

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on May 16, 2023, the PLUM Committee considered a Report from the LACPC relative to a proposed Code Amendment ordinance amending the Hillside Construction Regulations SUD; and a Zone Change to establish the HCR SUD for various hillside residential neighborhoods throughout the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan area. A representative from Council District 14 provided comments to amend the Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 13.20 to establish 2,500 square feet as the house size threshold to require Site Plan Review for HCR SUD in the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to adopt the Categorical Exemption, Findings, and Zone Change Ordinance and request the City Attorney to prepare a Code Amendment ordinance to amend the existing HCR SUD provisions proposing a new regulation specific to the Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan Area, as amended by the Committee, and as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
RODRIGUEZ:	YES
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
LEE:	YES
HUTT:	YES

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