

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES**

INTER-DEPARTMENTAL CORRESPONDENCE

**DATE:** 10/6/2020

**TO:** Public Works and Gang Reduction Committee  
Attention: Office of the City Clerk  
City Hall, Room 395

**FROM:** *For* Adel H. Hagekhalil P.E., Executive Director and General Manager  
Bureau of Street Services

**SUBJECT: CASE FILE NO. 19-1134 – RECOMMEND THE CITY COUNCIL DENY THE APPEAL BY SUNSHINE HILLS RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION, DATED SEPTEMBER 24, 2019**

The Bureau of Streets Services (StreetsLA) recommends that the City Council deny the Appeal by Sunshine Hills Residents Association, Case File No. 19-1134.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

1. **DENY** the appeal.

2. **Determine** based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines sections 15303 and 15332, and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that any exception to the categorical exemptions listed in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 applies and instruct the Bureau of Street Services to file a CEQA Notice of Exemption reflecting this determination.

3. **Determine** that the City of Los Angeles Municipal Code does not provide Appellant a legal right to appeal the decision to issue a protected tree permit and that Appellant's sole right to appeal exists pursuant to CEQA.

4. **Sustain** the Board of Public Work's September 13, 2019 approval of the Permit to Remove Protected Trees and Replant (Permit No. 1-1300569631) (RA 5).

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