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August 19, 2020

Honorable Marqueece Harris-Dawson  
Chair, Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
City of Los Angeles  
200 North Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Re: 5446 Sierra Vista, ZA-2016-4729-ZV-2A**

Dear Honorable Chair Harris-Dawson:

On behalf of my client, Sierra Romaine LLC, we hereby withdraw our application for a variance to allow for four affordable units to be added to an existing structure within the Hollywood Community Plan Area, case number ZA-2016-4729-ZV-2A.

Sadly, individuals who believe that their clever litigation threats and strategies are more important than safe and affordable housing for working families attempted to challenge this offer by my client to add four affordable housing units to the stock of Los Angeles housing with minimal neighborhood impact.

Fortunately, the California Legislature continues to see through these transparent efforts fueled by lack of empathy and compassion. Last year, the Legislature amended state law to allow these units by-right instead of requiring a variance, and my client's proposed project was approved by Building and Safety this past week. While challengers to important housing projects will continue thrive by creating chaos at the local level, the state will continue to observe these actions and respond at the state level. This is disappointing, wasteful, and unfair to you and the City, and for that we are deeply sorry.

We are grateful for your continued patience and consideration of this item. The four families that will benefit from these additional affordable units will, most certainly, be grateful as well.

Very Truly Yours,



Nicole Kuklok-Waldman

cc: Craig Bullock, Council District 13  
Jack Chiang, Zoning Administrator

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