

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) appeal for the discontinuance of the operation of a bar with alcohol sales, known as Banditos Tacos and Tequila, located at 900 West Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

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

1. FIND that a Categorical Exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15321 and related CEQA findings with no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Department of City Planning (DCP) Zoning Administrator, as the Findings of Council.
3. RESOLVE TO DENY THE APPEAL filed by Anat Escher, Owner/Operator, Banditos Tacos and Tequila (formerly known as the Menlo Bar) (Representative: Adam Koslin, Solomon, Saltsman and Jamieson), and THEREBY SUSTAIN the determination of the Zoning Administrator, pursuant to Section 12.27.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to require the discontinuance of the operation of a bar with alcohol sales at the establishment located at 900-902 West Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Applicant: Chief Zoning Administrator, Office of Zoning Administration

Case No. DIR-1992-818-RV-PA1-1A

Environmental No. ENV-2019-5725-CE

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the Department of City Planning (DCP). Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

#### Summary

At a regular meeting held on November 19, 2020, the PLUM Committee considered a DCP report relative to a CEQA appeal filed by Anat Escher (owner/operator) for the discontinuance of the operation of a bar with alcohol sales, known as Banditos Tacos and Tequila, located at 900 West Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. Staff from the DCP, Office of Zoning Administration provided an overview of the matter. Representative from the Los Angeles Police Department commented on responding to nuisances and violations. The appellant representative commented on the property and provided statements regarding the appeal. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to deny the appeal and sustain the decision of the Zoning Administrator. This matter is now submitted to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

## PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
PRICE, JR.:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
LEE:	ABSENT

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