

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) appeal for the properties located at 7445 West Sunset Boulevard (7441 - 7449 West Sunset Boulevard and 1506 - 1516 North Gardner Street).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DETERMINE, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from the CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15305 Class 5 (Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that any exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Central Los Angeles Area Planning Commission (CLAAPC) as the Findings of Council.
3. RESOLVE TO DENY THE APPEAL jointly filed by Julia Mason, Cheryl Holland, Lincoln Williamson, and Michael Konik, and THEREBY SUSTAIN the determination of the CLAAPC in approving a Categorical Exemption as the environmental clearance for the sale and dispensing of a full line of alcoholic beverages for on-site consumption in conjunction with a proposed 3,171 square-foot restaurant, inclusive of 602 square feet of basement storage area, with a total of 128 indoor seats and 731 square feet of on-site uncovered outdoor patio space with 71 outdoor seats, all divided between three venues; the proposed hours of operation are: 7:00 am to 11:00 pm, daily; for the properties located at 7445 West Sunset Boulevard (7441 - 7449 West Sunset Boulevard and 1506 - 1516 North Gardner Street).

Applicant: Michael Towles, Gaggle's Inc.

Representative: Margaret Taylor, Apex LA

Case No.: ZA-2019-6319-CUB-1A

Environmental No.: ENV-2019-6320-CE-1A

Fiscal Impact Statement: The CLAAPC 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 2, 2023, the PLUM Committee considered a report from the CLAAPC and CEQA appeal for the properties located at 7445 West Sunset Boulevard (7441 - 7449 West Sunset Boulevard and 1506 - 1516 North Gardner Street). DCP staff provided an overview of the matter. After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to deny the appeal inasmuch as the applicant withdrew the application, and thereby sustain the CLAAPC's determination in approving the Categorical Exemption as the environmental clearance for the project. 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:	ABSENT
YAROSLAVSKY:	ABSENT
LEE:	YES
HUTT:	YES

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