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Los Angeles City Council
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Attention: Planning Land Use Management Committee

Dear Honorable Members:

**SUPPLEMENTAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE REPORT RELATIVE TO THE
METHODOLOGY THAT WOULD ENSURE THAT EQUITY IS AT THE CORE OF FUTURE
LAND USE CONSIDERATIONS AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE HOUSING ELEMENT (CF
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I. INTRODUCTION

On November 30, 2022 the Department of City Planning transmitted a report relative to the development of a methodology that ensures equity is at the core of future land use considerations, including Citywide Rezoning and Community Plan Update programs. The following recommendations are based on findings presented in the report.

II. KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Direct Department of City Planning (DCP) to continue to work with the Office of the City Administrative Officer (CAO) and the Bureau of Engineering (BOE) to ensure that as the LA Equity Index and Equity Scorecard pilot program are further refined they are aligned to integrate into rezoning and land use planning, including the Citywide Housing Needs Assessment and Update to Growth Strategy (Housing Element Program 50).
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linked to critical life outcomes, such as educational attainment, employment, and health and life expectancy;

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- d. Promote housing near jobs and transit and away from environmentally hazardous areas to facilitate reduced greenhouse gas emissions, create resilient housing stock, and support the use of community amenities.

For questions, please contact Senior City Planner Blair Smith at blair.smith@lacity.org.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Vincent P. Bertoni', with a large, circular flourish at the end.

VINCENT P. BERTONI, AICP
Director of Planning

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Report Recommendations:

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