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Summary: The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 21-1470 for an ordinance giving the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy a right of first refusal to purchase certain city surplus property.

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**COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT**

The Board of the Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) supports Council File 21-1470 for an ordinance to amend the City code to ensure the City provides the right of first refusal for the purchase of City-owned surplus property in the Santa Monica Mountains to the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, as required by state law. The City of Los Angeles is the owner of many environmentally sensitive parcels in the Santa Monica Mountains, including land that contains the highest concentration of biodiversity, habitat for protected species such as the local mountain lion, protected native trees, and sensitive natural woodlands. In the past, the City has sold these parcels off for development. This practice is in opposition to a conservation and environmental standpoint and conflicts with state law – which provides that the resource agencies such as the Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy should be provided the first opportunity to acquire these parcels for permanent preservation of open space. We agree with the comment submitted to the file by CLAW: "It is important that we have a fail-safe program and never again make shortsighted attempts to sell away and develop irreplaceable city-owned land which has an inherent value and long-term benefit for the well-being of the environment and all Angelenos." We urge the City Council to approve the ordinance.

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