

# **SORO NC Board Applicant Statements**

29 November 2016

## **Candidates for Student Representative**

*One year term expiring 2017*

### **Noa Zarur, YULA Girls High School**

I believe I would be a great addition to the board because over the last few years I have become very involved in my neighborhood. I have been on Skach a program created by Soro that offer tutoring to elementary school kids. I am the organizer for my school to volunteer with this program. Additionally I created a program at Shenandoah street elementary school called "Day of Talent". This program allows student to get the extra help they need to further their passions such as dancing, drawing, playing an instrument, and singing. I have been on the Soro board for a year and gained the skills necessary to hopefully join the board again and make an even bigger contribution.

### **Lourdes Hernandez, Hamilton High School**

I've lived in Castle Heights for 16 years now and I love my community. The caring and well connected environment is what keeps the neighborhood alive. If there is something I can do to keep it strong I'll jump at the opportunity. I am now a senior at Hamilton high school & currently the secretary for the associated student body. Representing my community is a task I have recently become passionate about. I know my peers, along with the administration and am proud to be their voice. This neighborhood is also filled with kids and teenagers who I believe that I connect with and able to speak/ look out for their best interests. I enjoy working with others, I'm proactive, and try to learn the ropes as soon and as best as I can.

## **Candidates for Zone 2 Representative**

*Interim appointment expiring 2018*

### **Alexander Mosby**

Dear Friends,

I have been deeply convicted recently to reexamine my level of involvement in my community. I believe the majority of people want to live and work in a positive and uplifting environment, yet for some reason they choose not to take an active role in making this happen. There are probably a millions reasons why this is the case, but for me none of them are good enough anymore. As I sought ways to be involved, I came across this wonderful opportunity. I would love to learn, grow, and contribute amongst those of you who have already taken up the mantle of community leadership. It would be an honor to serve on the SORO Board of Directors.

### **Yamileth (Yami) Bolanos**

I have been a resident of this neighborhood for over 7 years and I love it here!

For the first five years I was also a Business owner PureLife Alternative Wellness Center that was located @ 1649 La Cienega Blvd. A fully compliant Prop D collective. Sadly with the passage of D we had to relocate to Chatsworth.

During the 8 years that we were located on LaCienega we enjoyed a great relationship with the community, and I even established personal friendships in the community directly because of the store.

I originally ran for this position a few years back... with the full intention of starting a "Neighborhood Watch" if given this position I will do just that!

I am ready to help in any way to explore and come up with workable solutions to real problems in the neighborhood.

As a medical marijuana advocate I also have much experience working with city and state government. In Sacramento I helped pass a AB258 ( which stopped discrimination against mmj users who were up for transplant) that was signed by the governor last July and became law in January 2016 and is now saving lives.

I am presently sitting on a working group with the city that will come up with sensible regulations that will make it a better and safer community for us all.

Thank you for considering me for this position.



# Motion to support small lot project at 6075 Hargis Street

**Agenda Item:** GB112916-7

**Date:** November 29, 2016

**Proposed By:** LUED Committee

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## Background

The small lot ordinance was implemented by the City of Los Angeles in 2005 as a way of adding additional housing stock in infill lots zoned for multi-family use. Since then, the ordinance has been used to build all sizes of projects, from 2- to 200-home projects, all across the city.

The applicants and their architecture team presented this 3-home small lot subdivision project to the Land Use and Economic Development committee at their September 26, 2016 meeting. The project at 6075 Hargis Street is precisely the type of project the Planning Department imagined when it drafted the ordinance. It is on an infill lot, zoned for higher density (RD1.5-1), in a walk-able community, and close to public transit. It is an appropriate development for this neighborhood and property.

## Proposed Motion

Submit a letter of support to City Planning Department case manager to be included in case file for a 3-home small lot subdivision project at 6075 Hargis Street; AA-2016-2816-PMLA-SL; ENV-2016-2817-CE.

**Doug Fitzsimmons**  
President

**Kevin Gres**  
Vice-President

**Terrence Gomes**  
Treasurer

**Beth Hirsch**  
Secretary

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## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For: 6

Against: 0

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### Arguments for:

Not requesting any variances or adjustments in their application.

Adds single-family homes to a lot zoned for multi-family use.

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### Arguments against:

Homes will be taller than adjacent homes.

**South Robertson  
Neighborhoods Council**

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**APPLICATIONS:**

**DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING APPLICATION**

THIS BOX FOR CITY PLANNING STAFF USE ONLY

Case Number \_\_\_\_\_

Env. Case Number \_\_\_\_\_

Application Type \_\_\_\_\_

Case Filed With (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date Filed \_\_\_\_\_

Application includes letter requesting:

- Waived hearing
- Concurrent hearing
- Hearing not be scheduled on a specific date (e.g. vacation hold)

Related Case Number \_\_\_\_\_

*Provide all information requested. Missing, incomplete or inconsistent information will cause delays.  
All terms in this document are applicable to the singular as well as the plural forms of such terms.*

**1. PROJECT LOCATION**

Street Address<sup>1</sup> 6075 Hargis Street Unit/Space Number \_\_\_\_\_

Legal Description<sup>2</sup> (Lot, Block, Tract) Lot 81, tract 5855

Assessor Parcel Number 5065005019 Total Lot Area 5003 SF

**2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Present Use Single Family Residence

Proposed Use Single Family Residence

Project Name (if applicable) Hargis SLO

Describe in detail the characteristics, scope and/or operation of the proposed project demolition of existing house & garage; construction of 3 single family residences under the small lot ordinance

Additional information attached  YES  NO

Complete and check all that apply:

**Existing Site Conditions**

- Site is undeveloped or unimproved (i.e. vacant)
- Site has existing buildings (provide copies of building permits)
- Site is/was developed with use that could release hazardous materials on soil and/or groundwater (e.g. dry cleaning, gas station, auto repair, industrial)
- Site is located within 500 feet of a freeway or railroad
- Site is located within 500 feet of a sensitive use (e.g. school, park)
- Site has special designation (e.g. National Historic Register, Survey LA)

<sup>1</sup> Street Addresses must include all addresses on the subject/application site (as identified in ZIMAS—<http://zimas.lacity.org>)

<sup>2</sup> Legal Description must include all contiguously owned properties (even if they are not a part of the proposed project site)

**Proposed Project Information**

- Demolition of existing buildings/structures
- Relocation of existing buildings/structures
- Interior tenant improvement
- Additions to existing buildings
- Grading
- Removal of any on-site tree
- Removal of any street tree
- New construction: 5388 square feet
- Accessory use (fence, sign, wireless, carport, etc.)
- Exterior renovation or alteration
- Change of use and/or hours of operation
- Haul Route
- Uses or structures in public right-of-way
- Phased project

**Housing Component Information**

Number of Residential Units: Existing 1 – Demolish(ed)<sup>3</sup> 1 + Adding 3 = Total 3  
 Number of Affordable Units<sup>4</sup> Existing \_\_\_\_\_ – Demolish(ed) \_\_\_\_\_ + Adding \_\_\_\_\_ = Total \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of Market Rate Units Existing \_\_\_\_\_ – Demolish(ed) \_\_\_\_\_ + Adding \_\_\_\_\_ = Total \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mixed Use Projects, Amount of Non-Residential Floor Area: \_\_\_\_\_ square feet

**3. ACTION(S) REQUESTED**

Provide the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section that authorizes the request and (if applicable) the LAMC Section or the Specific Plan/Overlay Section from which relief is sought; follow with a description of the requested action.

Does the project include Multiple Approval Requests per LAMC 12.36?  YES  NO

Authorizing section 17.50 Section from which relief is requested (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Request: 3 unit subdivision under the small lot ordinance as proposed in parcel map  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Authorizing section \_\_\_\_\_ Section from which relief is requested (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Request: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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Authorizing section \_\_\_\_\_ Section from which relief is requested (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
 Request: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Requests Attached  YES  NO

<sup>3</sup> Number of units to be demolished and/or which have been demolished within the last five (5) years.

<sup>4</sup> As determined by the Housing and Community Investment Department

**4. RELATED DEPARTMENT OF CITY PLANNING CASES**

Are there previous or pending cases/decisions/environmental clearances on the project site?  YES  NO

If YES, list all case number(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If the application/project is directly related to one of the above cases, list the pertinent case numbers below and complete/check all that apply (provide copy).

Case No. \_\_\_\_\_ Ordinance No.: \_\_\_\_\_

- |                                                                             |                                                                                      |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Condition compliance review                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarification of Q (Qualified) classification               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Modification of conditions                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarification of D (Development Limitations) classification |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Revision of approved plans                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment to T (Tentative) classification                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Renewal of entitlement                             |                                                                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plan Approval subsequent to Master Conditional Use |                                                                                      |

For purposes of environmental (CEQA) analysis, is there intent to develop a larger project?  YES  NO

Have you filed, or is there intent to file, a Subdivision with this project?  YES  NO

If YES, to either of the above, describe the other parts of the projects or the larger project below, whether or not currently filed with the City:

3 unit subdivision under the small lot ordinance as proposed in parcel map; no zone or use change  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**5. OTHER AGENCY REFERRALS/REFERENCE**

To help assigned staff coordinate with other Departments that may have a role in the proposed project, please check all that apply and provide reference number if known.

Are there any outstanding Orders to Comply/citations at this property?  YES (provide copy)  NO

Are there any recorded Covenants, affidavits or easements on this property?  YES (provide copy)  NO

- Development Services Case Management Number \_\_\_\_\_
- Building and Safety Plan Check Number \_\_\_\_\_
- Bureau of Engineering Planning Referral (PCRF) \_\_\_\_\_
- Bureau of Engineering Hillside Referral \_\_\_\_\_
- Housing and Community Investment Department Application Number \_\_\_\_\_
- Bureau of Engineering Revocable Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_
- Other—specify \_\_\_\_\_

**6. PROJECT TEAM INFORMATION** (Complete all applicable fields)

**Applicant<sup>5</sup> name** David Asali  
Company/Firm CA Lux Holdings, LLC  
Address: 10008 National Blvd Unit/Space Number 292  
City Los Angeles State CA Zip Code: 90034  
Telephone (310) 736-0383 E-mail: dasali10@gmail.com  
Are you in escrow to purchase the subject property?  YES  NO

**Property Owner of Record**  Same as applicant  Different from applicant  
Name (if different from applicant) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Unit/Space Number \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Agent/Representative name** Ilanit Maghen  
Company/Firm Bien-Willner Architects  
Address: 485 S Robertson Blvd Unit/Space Number 8  
City Beverly Hills State CA Zip: 90211  
Telephone (310) 742-7112 E-mail: ilanit@studiobwa.com

**Other** (Specify Architect, Engineer, CEQA Consultant etc.) architect  
Name Carina Bien-Willner  
Company/Firm Same as agent/representative  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit/Space Number \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Primary Contact for Project Information** (select only one)  Owner  Applicant  
 Agent/Representative  Other \_\_\_\_\_


To ensure notification of any public hearing as well as decisions on the project, make sure to include an individual mailing label for each member of the project team in both the Property Owners List, and the Abutting Property Owners List.

<sup>5</sup> An applicant is a person with a lasting interest in the completed project such as the property owner or a lessee/user of a project. An applicant is not someone filing the case on behalf of a client (i.e. usually not the agent/representative).

**PROPERTY OWNER**

9. **PROPERTY OWNER AFFIDAVIT.** Before the application can be accepted, the owner of each property involved must provide a notarized signature to verify the application is being filed with their knowledge. Staff will confirm ownership based on the records of the City Engineer or County Assessor. In the case of partnerships, corporations, LLCs or trusts the agent for service of process or an officer of the ownership entity so authorized may sign as stipulated below.
- **Ownership Disclosure.** If the property is owned by a partnership, corporation, LLC or trust, a disclosure identifying the agent for service of process or an officer of the ownership entity must be submitted. The disclosure must list the names and addresses of the principal owners (25% interest or greater). The signatory must appear in this list of names. A letter of authorization, as described below, may be submitted provided the signatory of the letter is included in the Ownership Disclosure. Include a copy of the current partnership agreement, corporate articles, or trust document as applicable.
  - **Letter of Authorization (LOA).** A LOA from a property owner granting someone else permission to sign the application form may be provided if the property is owned by a partnership, corporation, LLC or trust or in rare circumstances when an individual property owner is unable to sign the application form. To be considered for acceptance, the LOA must indicate the name of the person being authorized the file, their relationship to the owner or project, the site address, a general description of the type of application being filed and must also include the language in items A-D below. In the case of partnerships, corporations, LLCs or trusts the LOA must be signed and notarized by the authorized signatory as shown on the Ownership Disclosure or in the case of private ownership by the property owner. Proof of Ownership for the signatory of the LOA must be submitted with said letter.
  - **Grant Deed.** Provide a Copy of the Grant Deed If the ownership of the property does not match City Records and/or if the application is for a Coastal Development Permit. The Deed must correspond exactly with the ownership listed on the application.
  - **Multiple Owners.** If the property is owned by more than one individual (e.g. John and Jane Doe or Mary Smith and Mark Jones) notarized signatures are required of all owners.
- A. I hereby certify that I am the owner of record of the herein previously described property located in the City of Los Angeles which is involved in this application or have been empowered to sign as the owner on behalf of a partnership, corporation, LLC or trust as evidenced by the documents attached hereto.
- B. I hereby consent to the filing of this application on my property for processing by the Department of City Planning.
- C. I understand if the application is approved, as a part of the process the City will apply conditions of approval which may be my responsibility to satisfy including, but not limited to, recording the decision and all conditions in the County Deed Records for the property.
- D. By my signature below, I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing statements are true and correct.

*Property Owner's signatures must be signed/notarized in the presence of a Notary Public.  
The City requires an original signature from the property owner with the "wet" notary stamp.  
A Notary Acknowledgement is available for your convenience on following page.*

Signature 

Date 7/28/16

Print Name CA LUX HOLDINGS, LLC.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_



Space Below For Notary's Use

California All-Purpose Acknowledgement

Civil Code ' 1189

A notary public or other officer completing this certificate verifies only the identity of the individual who signed the document, to which this certificate is attached, and not the truthfulness, accuracy, or validity of that document.

State of California

County of LOS ANGELES

On JULY 28, 2016 before me, HENLEY HUA DENG, NOTARY PUBLIC  
(Insert Name of Notary Public and Title)

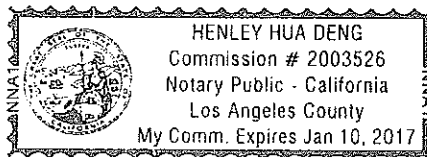
personally appeared DAVID ASALI, who proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf on which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.

I certify under PENALTY OF PERJURY under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing paragraph is true and correct.

WITNESS my hand and official seal.

*Henley Hua Deng*  
Signature

(Seal)




**APPLICANT**

10. **APPLICANT DECLARATION.** A separate signature from the applicant, whether they are the property owner or not, attesting to the following, is required before the application can be accepted.

- A. I hereby certify that the information provided in this application, including plans and other attachments, is accurate and correct to the best of my knowledge. Furthermore, should the stated information be found false or insufficient to fulfill the requirements of the Department of City Planning, I agree to revise the information as appropriate.
- B. I hereby certify that I have fully informed the City of the nature of the project for purposes of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and have not submitted this application with the intention of segmenting a larger project in violation of CEQA. I understand that should the City determine that the project is part of a larger project for purposes of CEQA, the City may revoke any approvals and/or stay any subsequent entitlements or permits (including certificates of occupancy) until a full and complete CEQA analysis is reviewed and appropriate CEQA clearance is adopted or certified.
- C. I understand that the environmental review associated with this application is preliminary, and that after further evaluation, additional reports, studies, applications and/or fees may be required.
- D. I understand and agree that any report, study, map or other information submitted to the City in furtherance of this application will be treated by the City as public records which may be reviewed by any person and if requested, that a copy will be provided by the City to any person upon the payment of its direct costs of duplication.
- E. I understand that the burden of proof to substantiate the request is the responsibility of the applicant. Additionally, I understand that planning staff are not permitted to assist the applicant or opponents of the project in preparing arguments for or against a request.
- F. I understand that there is no guarantee, expressed or implied, that any permit or application will be granted. I understand that each matter must be carefully evaluated and that the resulting recommendation or decision may be contrary to a position taken or implied in any preliminary discussions.
- G. I understand that if this application is denied, there is no refund of fees paid.
- H. I understand and agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless, the City, its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers (collectively "City"), from any and all legal actions, claims, or proceedings (including administrative or alternative dispute resolution (collectively "actions"), arising out of any City process or approval prompted by this Action, either in whole or in part. Such actions include but are not limited to: actions to attack, set aside, void, or otherwise modify, an entitlement approval, environmental review, or subsequent permit decision; actions for personal or property damage; actions based on an allegation of an unlawful pattern and practice; inverse condemnation actions; and civil rights or an action based on the protected status of the petitioner or claimant under state or federal law (e.g. ADA or Unruh Act). I understand and agree to reimburse the City for any and all costs incurred in defense of such actions. This includes, but it not limited to, the payment of all court costs and attorneys' fees, all judgments or awards, damages, and settlement costs. The indemnity language in this paragraph is intended to be interpreted to the broadest extent permitted by law and shall be in addition to any other indemnification language agreed to by the applicant.
- I. By my signature below, I declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that all statements contained in this application and any accompanying documents are true and correct, with full knowledge that all statements made in this application are subject to investigation and that any false or dishonest answer to any question may be grounds for denial or subsequent revocation of license or permit.

*The City requires an original signature from the applicant. The applicant's signature below does not need to be notarized.*

Signature: 

Date: 7/22/16

Print Name: CA LUX HOLDINGS, LLC.

**OPTIONAL**  
**NEIGHBORHOOD CONTACT SHEET**

**SIGNATURES** of adjoining or neighboring property owners in support of the request are not required but are helpful, especially for projects in single-family residential areas. Signatures may be provided below (attach additional sheets if necessary).

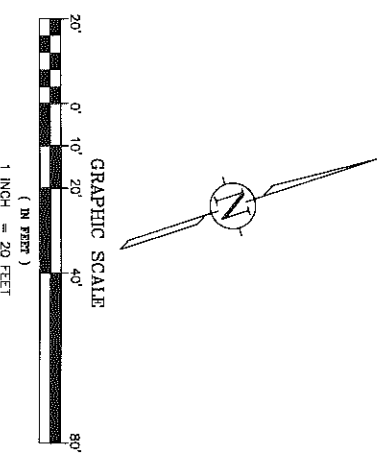
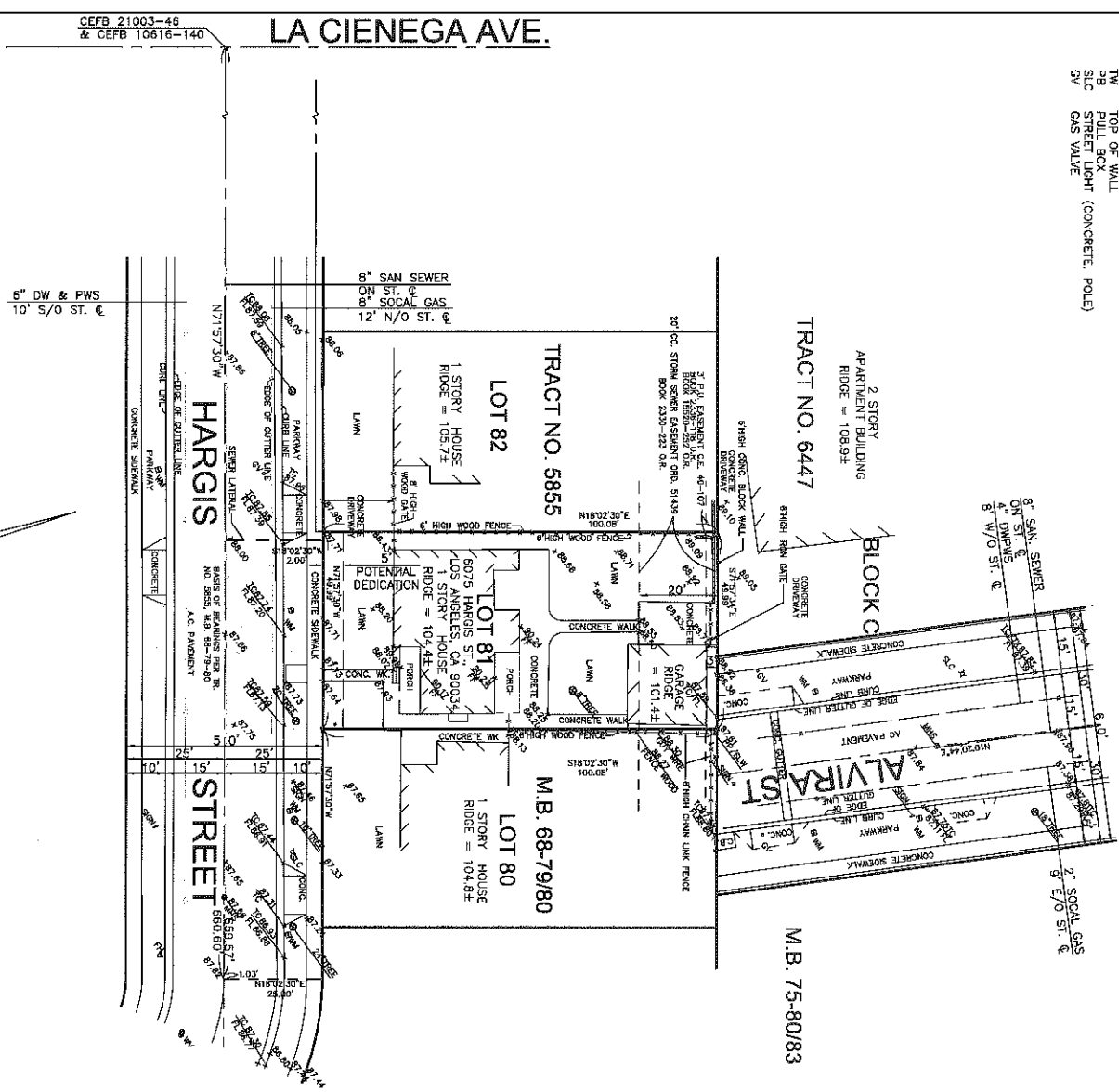
NAME (PRINT)	SIGNATURE	ADDRESS	KEY # ON MAP

**REVIEW** of the project by the applicable Neighborhood Council is not required, but is helpful. If applicable, describe, below or separately, any contact you have had with the Neighborhood Council or other community groups, business associations and/or officials in the area surrounding the project site (attach additional sheets if necessary).

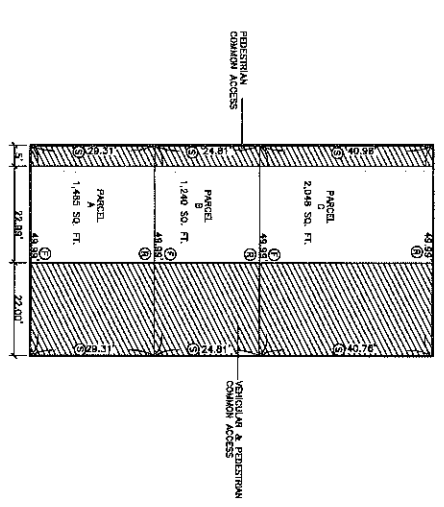
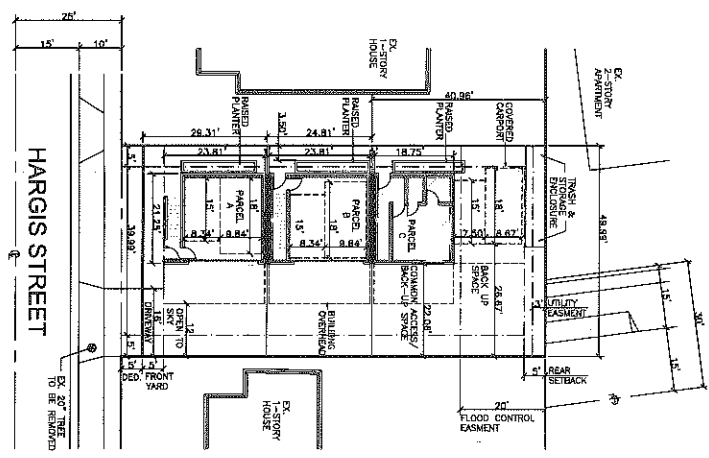
**PRELIMINARY PARCEL MAP NO. \_\_\_\_\_**  
**FOR SMALL LOT SUBDIVISION PURPOSES**

- LEGEND :**
- TC TOP OF CURB
  - FL FLOW LINE
  - EG EDGE OF GUTTER
  - FS FINISH SURFACE
  - MHU MOUNTAIN HOUSE
  - MS MANHOLE
  - SWD WATER WAVE
  - WH WATER HYDRANT
  - WM WATER METER
  - CP CONCRETE PAVEMENT
  - WM WATER METER
  - TM TOP OF WALL
  - TM TOP OF WALL
  - SL STREET LIGHT (CONCRETE, POLE)
  - SV GAS VALVE

**EXISTING SITE**

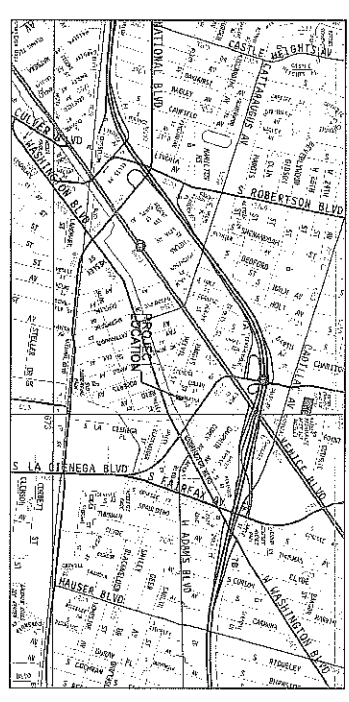


**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT**



**SETBACK MATRIX**

PARCEL	FRONT YARD	WEST SIDE YARD	EAST SIDE YARD	REAR YARD
A	5'	5'	12'	0'
B	0'	5'	12'	0'
C	0'	5'	12'	20'



**NOTES:**

1. SURVEY DATE: APRIL 2016.
2. SITE ADDRESS: 6075 HARGIS ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90034.
3. GROSS SITE AREA (TO STREET CL) = 6,252.75 SQ.FT. OR 0.145 AC.  
 NET AREA (BEFORE DEDICATION) = 5,003.00 SQ.FT. OR 0.115 AC.  
 NET AREA (AFTER DEDICATION) = 4,753.05 SQ.FT. OR 0.109 AC.
4. PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:  
 3 PARCEL SMALL LOT SUBDIVISION IN THE RD 1.5-1 ZONE PURSUANT TO ORDINANCE NO. 178,354.  
 NOTE: SMALL LOT SUBDIVISION WITH 6 TOTAL PARKING SPACES (2 PARKING SPACES PER UNIT). HEIGHT OF BUILDING = 45' MAX.
5. ZONING: RD 1.5-1. NO CHANGE PROPOSED.
6. ALL EXISTING STRUCTURES TO BE DEMOLISHED.
7. DRAINAGE FOR THE SITE WILL BE DIRECTED TO HARGIS ST. IN A MANNER SATISFACTORY TO THE CITY ENGINEER.
8. PROTECTED TREES: THERE ARE NO PROTECTED TREES ON SITE. ONE 8" TREE ON SITE TO BE REMOVED.
9. DISTRICT MAP NO.: 123 B 13 THOMAS GUIDE: 632--J7 APN: 5005-009-019
10. NOTES:  
 THIS PROPERTY IS NOT LOCATED IN THE HILLSIDE AREA.  
 THIS PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN THE HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE.  
 THIS PROPERTY IS NOT LOCATED IN THE HIGH FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY ZONE.  
 THIS SITE IS WITHIN AN ACTIVE FAULT NEAR-SOURCE ZONE.
11. THERE ARE EXISTING UTILITIES IN HARGIS ST., INCLUDING SANITARY SEWER.
12. DEDICATION:  
 HARGIS ST.: LOCAL STREET (90' REQUIRED) 5' POTENTIAL DEDICATION  
 DEDICATION SHOWN HEREON IS BASED ON NAVIGATE L.A. STREET & HIGHWAYS STANDARDS AND IS SUBJECT TO REVIEW BY BUREAU OF ENGINEERING AND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.\*

**LEGAL DESCRIPTION:**

LOT 81 OF TRACT NO. 5855, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 88, PAGES 79 AND 80 OF MAPS, RECORDS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

**SUBDIVIDER/OWNER:**

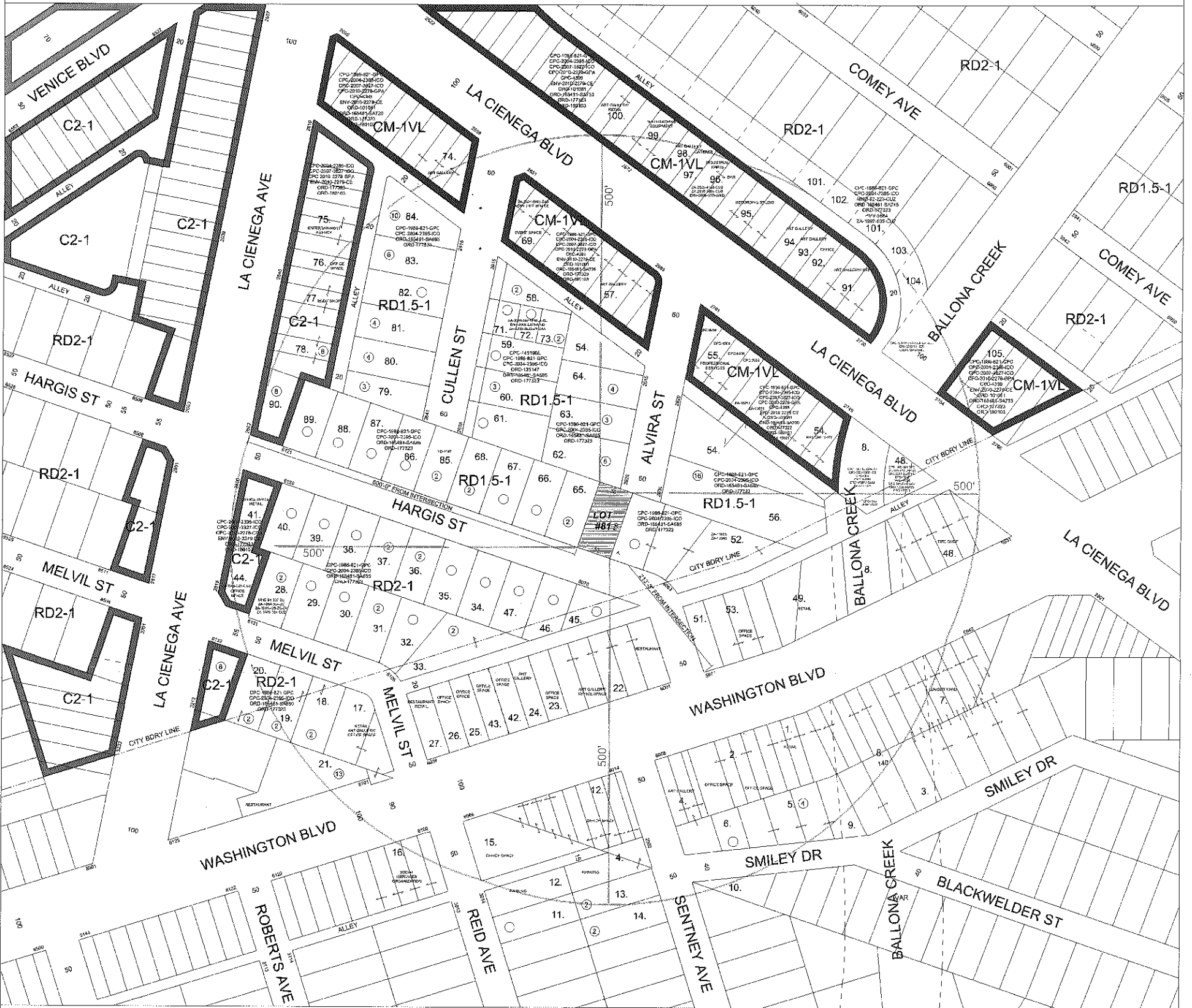
CA LUX HOLDINGS, LLC.  
 10008 NATIONAL BLVD.  
 #292  
 LOS ANGELES, CA 90034  
 (310) 736-0383 (TEL)  
 CONTACT PERSON: DAVID ASAU  
 dda110@gmail.com

**CIVIL ENGINEER:**

FINE LINE SYSTEMS  
 CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERS  
 1443 WEST BEVERLY BLVD.  
 MONTEBELLO, CA 90640  
 (323) 726-3388 (TEL)  
 (323) 726-0130 (FAX)  
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 R.C.E. NO. 30282  
 EXPIRATION DATE: 3/31/19



<p><b>FINE LINE SYSTEMS</b>          CONSULTING CIVIL ENGINEERS          1443 WEST BEVERLY BLVD. MONTEBELLO, CA 90640 (323) 726-3388</p>	JOB NO: 1591
	DATE: JULY 2016
<p>SHEET TITLE:          PRELIMINARY PARCEL MAP NO. _____          FOR SMALL LOT SUBDIVISION PURPOSES</p>	SCALE: 1"=20'
	DESIGNED: CCC
<p>PREPARED EXCLUSIVELY FOR:          CA LUX HOLDINGS, LLC</p>	DRAWN: GC
	SHEET 1 OF 1



PROPERTY OWNER: CA LUX HOLDINGS, LLC  
 10008 NATIONAL BLVD # 292  
 LOS ANGELES, CA 90034  
 (310) 736-0383

SITE ADDRESS: 6075 HARGIS ST,  
 LOS ANGELES, CA 90034

LEGAL: LOT 81  
 TRACT NO. 5855 AS PER MAP  
 RECORDED IN BOOK 68, PAGES 79 AND 890  
 OF MAPS, RECORDS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
 M B 68-79/80



**PRELIMINARY PARCEL MAP NO.**

PREPARED BY:

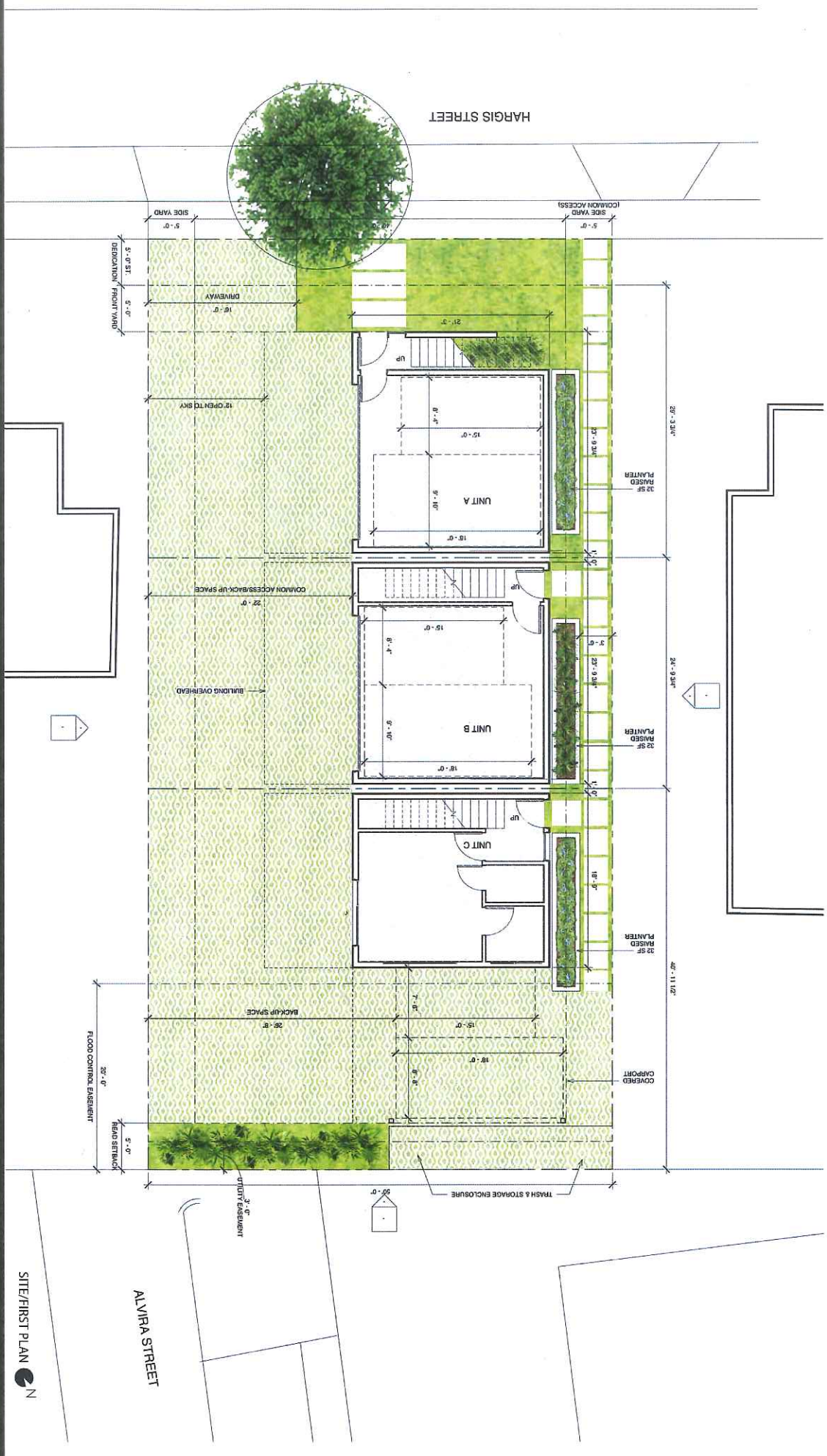
**BIEN-WILLNER ARCHITECTS**  
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 310.742.7112  
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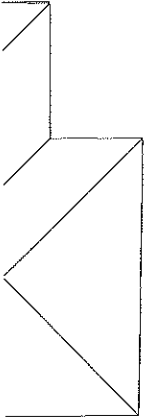
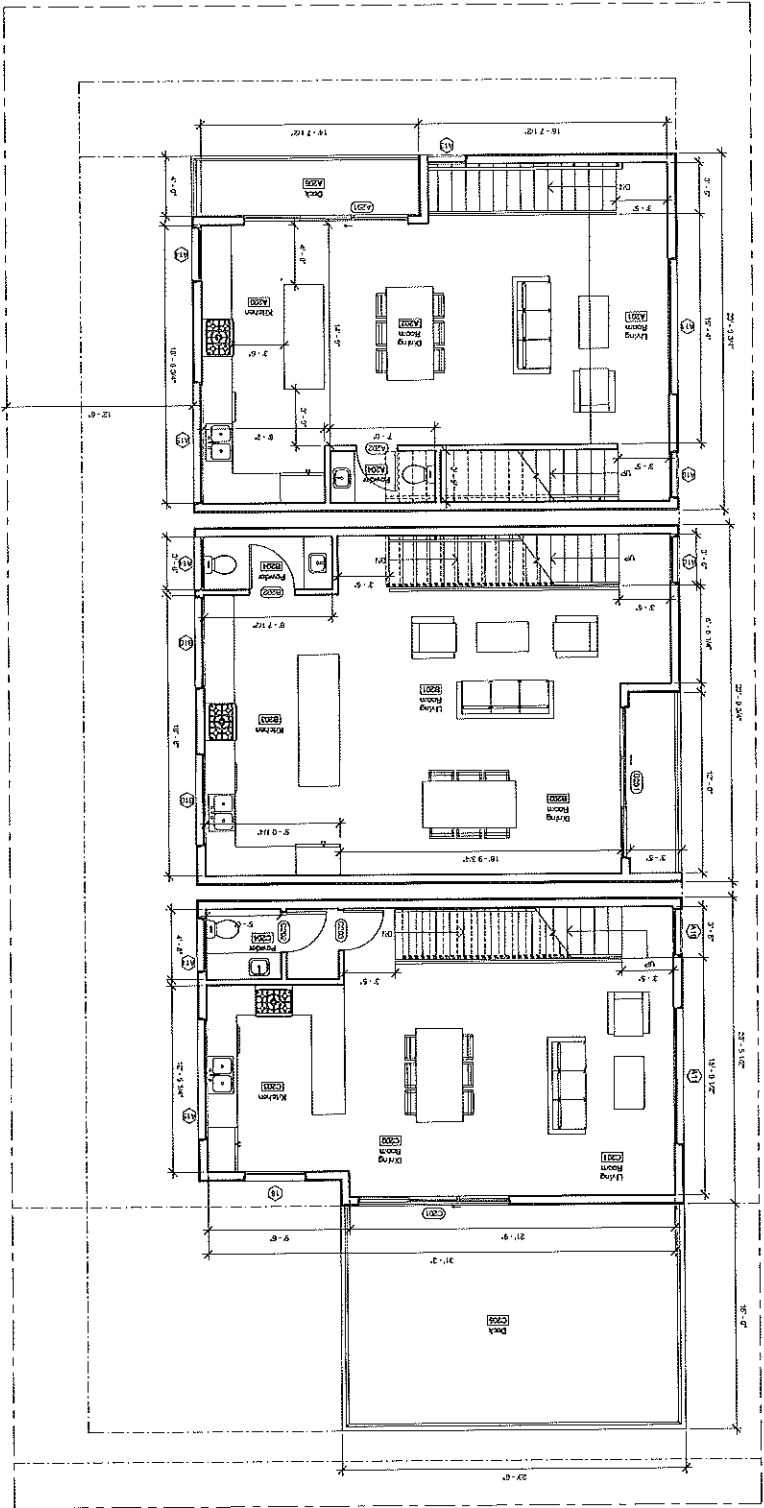
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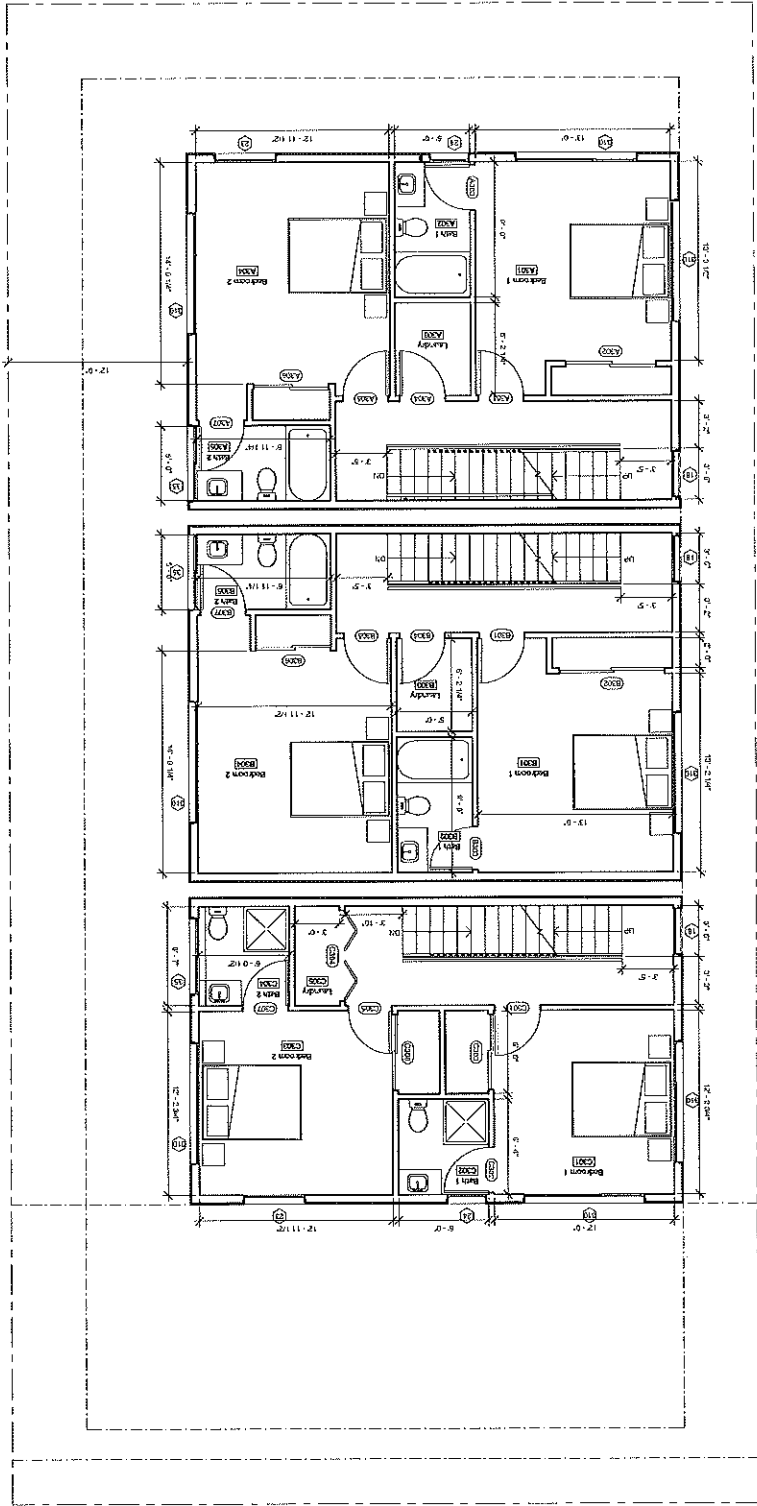


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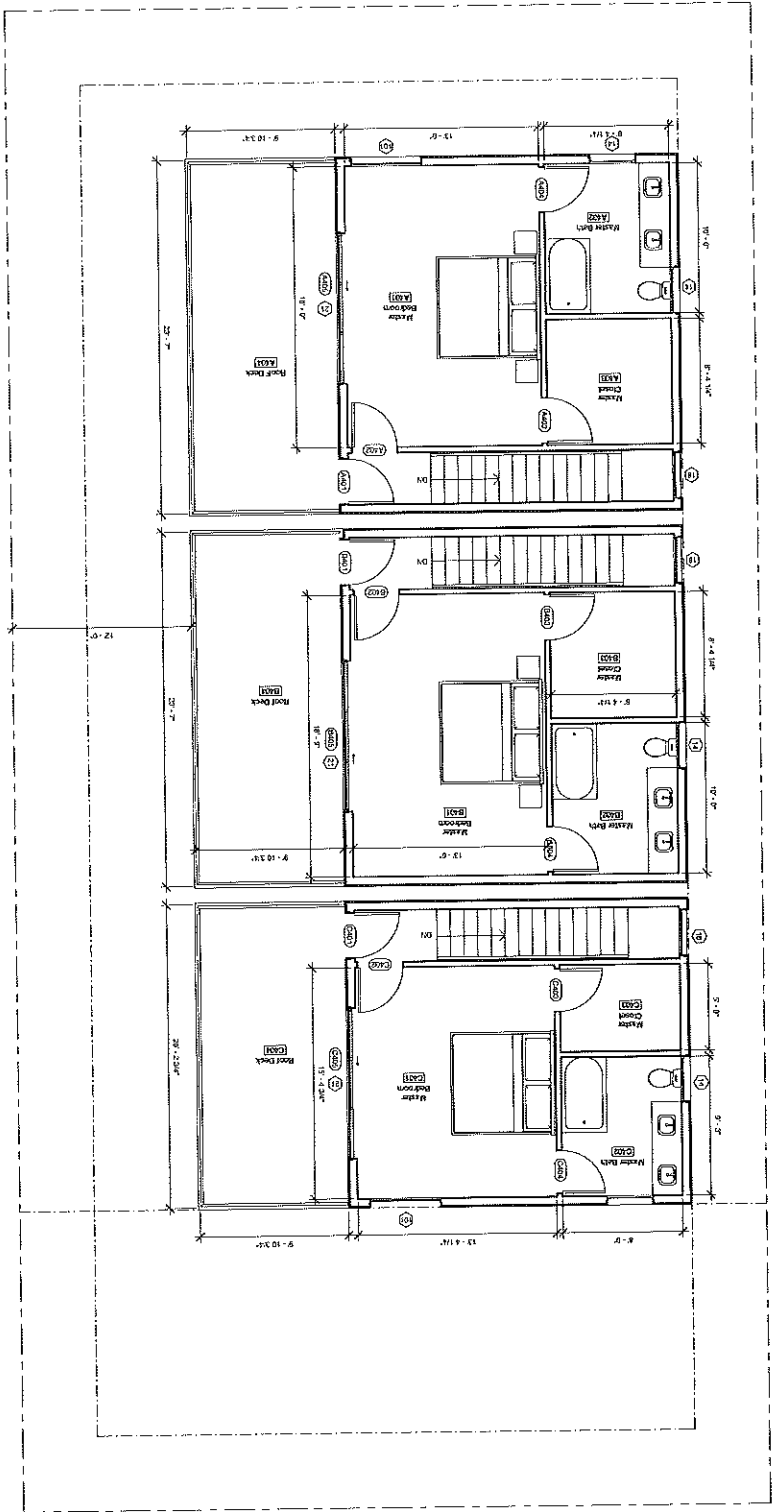


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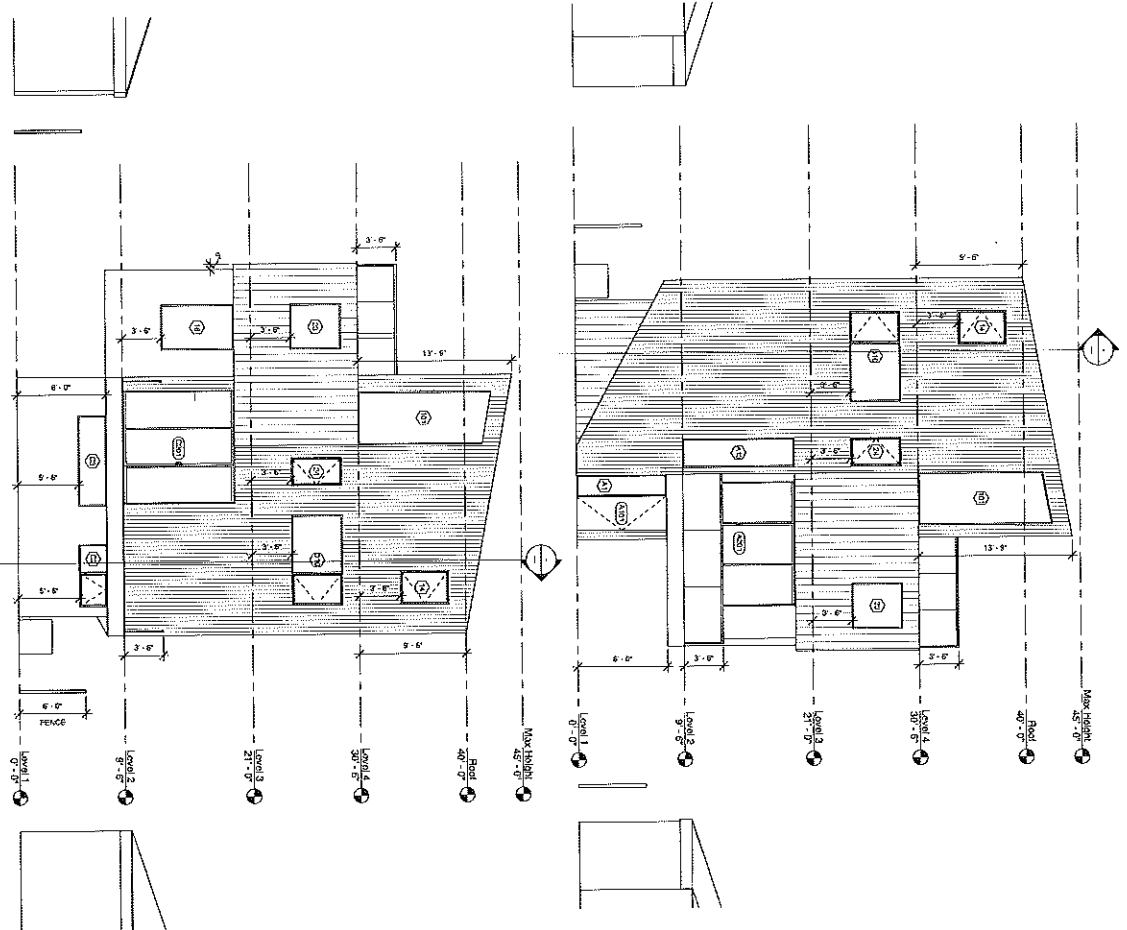


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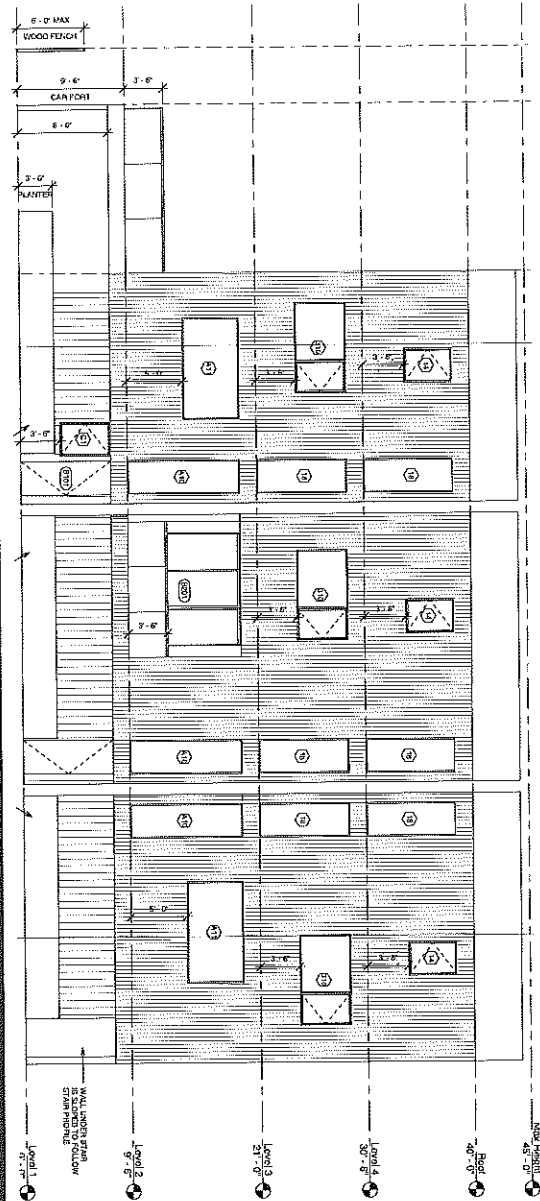
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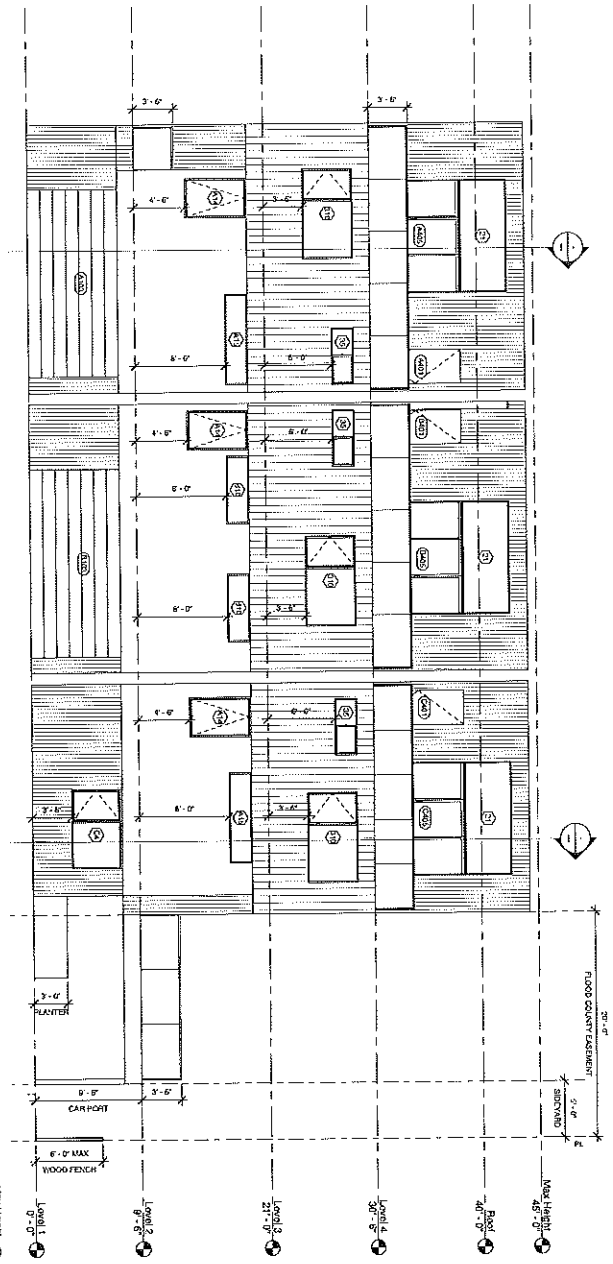
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WEST ELEVATION  
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# Motion to approve 2017 General Board meeting schedule

**Agenda Item:** GB112916-8

**Date:** 29 November 2016

**Proposed By:** Doug Fitzsimmons

## Full Proposal

In an effort to allow full community and Board input into SORO NC's General Meeting dates, this motion seeks to establish an approved meeting calendar for 2017.

In the past, some stakeholders and Board members have expressed concern about meeting scheduling. The NC has endeavored to avoid conflicts with other events, holidays, and celebrations, but it hasn't always been possible. Opening the schedule to public discussion—while it still may not fully satisfy all parties—will ensure a more transparent process.

The following informational calendar includes the "regular date" (the customary third Thursday of each month) as well as notations on possible conflicts and alternate dates. In developing the list of potential conflicts, a best effort was made to survey U.S. Federal, Jewish, Christian, Sikh, Hindu, and Islamic celebrations. Any omissions are unintentional.

The Board may opt to adopt the regular calendar as it stands or modify it through amendments to this motion. Note that none of the normal dates fall on a Federal or State holiday.

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Regular 2017 Date	Possible Conflict	Possible Alternate(s)
<b>January 19</b>		
<b>February 16</b>		
<b>March 16</b>		
<b>April 20</b>		
<b>May 18</b>		
<b>June 15</b>		
<b>July 20</b>		
<b>August 17</b>		
<b>September 21</b>	Rosh Hashanah I, Navratri I	<b>Thurs. 14th</b> or 28 <sup>th</sup> *
<b>October 19</b>	Diwali	Wed. 18th or <b>Thurs. 26th</b>
<b>November 16</b>		
<b>December 21</b>		

\* Conflicts with Navratri VIII

**Bold:** Executive committee recommendation



## Proposed Motion

- I. To adopt the 2017 SORO NC General Board meeting schedule ("Regular 2017 Dates") shown above.
- II. This motion does not supersede any aspect or procedure set forth in the NC bylaws, particularly Article VIII, Section 1, Item 2: Special Board Meetings.

## Considerations

**Committee review:** Votes For: 0 Against: 0  
*(highly recommended)*

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

### Arguments for:

Setting a yearly meeting calendar allows for community input into our schedule.

Meeting on a consistent date (i.e., the third Thursday of the month) may be more easily remembered by stakeholders.

### Arguments against:

The dates may still need to be amended as emergencies arise or if we are unable to secure a meeting location on those dates (however unlikely).

Although this calendar sets the dates for regular meetings, special meetings may be need to be called that go beyond the schedule listed here.





# Motion for SORO NC to Sponsor and Fund \$350 for a “Coffee With A Cop” Event

**Agenda Item:** GB112916-9  
**Date:** November 29, 2016  
**Proposed By:** SORO NC Public Safety Committee

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## Full Proposal

LAPD created the position of Senior Lead Officer (SLO) to patrol a designated area within each division, to foster and maintain a continuous positive relationship between the Police and the Community. Two of such designated areas (West LAPD- Car 59 and 95) are contained within the boundaries of the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council. Recent shifting of personnel has resulted in a new SLO for Car 59- Mathew Kirk.

To introduce Senior Lead Officer Kirk to Stakeholders, the SORO NC Public Safety Committee (PSC) would like to have the SORO NC sponsor a Coffee With A Cop event at the Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf (18<sup>th</sup> and Sawyer) in the morning of Wednesday December 7<sup>th</sup> or 14<sup>th</sup> (TBD). Captain Nieto, SLO Mario Gonzalez, or other LAPD officers may also participate, schedule permitting.

Stakeholders will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one and discuss whatever safety related issues they have on their mind in an informal and friendly environment. This location has plenty of adjacent parking to accommodate many stakeholders.

The Coffee Bean has offered to provide free coffee, as well as promotional and public relations support from their corporate marketing manager. They will also provide space for an information table.

Along with Event announcements on it's website, FaceBook and NextDoor, the NC would benefit greatly by purchasing Social Media advertisement and printing flyers to reach as many SORO Stakeholders as possible.

## Proposed Motion

To sponsor a “Coffee With A Cop” Event in December, 2016, and to provide outreach funding to promote the event, up to \$350.

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## Considerations

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<b>Committee review:</b> <i>(highly recommended)</i>	Votes For: 4	Against: 0
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<b>Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:</b> <i>(applies to funding motions only)</i>	\$
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### Arguments for:

Great outreach opportunity for stakeholders to meet police officers.

Free Coffee!!!

### Arguments against:

Outreach Funds could be applied elsewhere.

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# Motion to approve \$350 for one year of online survey services

**Agenda Item:** GB112916-10

**Date:** 29 November 2016

**Proposed By:** Doug Fitzsimmons

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## Full Proposal

Our mission to outreach to the community has always included periodic surveys. Until now, we've largely done that via paper questionnaires at events. If we don't have an event, or if we wish to reach a targeted group, or just collect input quickly, we're out of luck.

Also, we've been using JotForm for basic forms on our site, like Board applications, Bursk Award nominations, public comment, etc. Unfortunately, JotForm has recently restricted their free service, and their new pricing model is expensive.

Boardmember Adam Rich has recommended TypeForm as an answer to both issues. It's easy to create very engaging forms and surveys, relatively easy to embed in websites, and works on all platforms. On the downside, its analytics aren't as robust as SurveyMonkey, and it currently doesn't have direct integration into Google Drive (for uploads) or Google Sheets (although that can be accomplished via a third party service).

With our three tablets, we can also use the forms at events or door-to-door.

## Proposed Motion

I. To spend \$350 for one year of TypeForm, an online survey and form service.

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## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For: 0

Against: 0

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

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### Arguments for:

We need to have a better way to understand how our community thinks.

We have a number of projects coming up that will require online surveys and polls. And our current online form creation tool isn't a viable option any more.

### Arguments against:

Online surveys alone won't reach all of our constituents.

SurveyMonkey (\$300) has better analytics; SurveyGizmo (\$270) has more question types.



# Motion to approve \$100 for 2017 Homeless Count kickoff meeting

**Agenda Item:** GB112916-11

**Date:** 29 November 2016

**Proposed By:** Beth Hirsch

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## Full Proposal

CD5 has proposed that Palms NC and SORO NC collaborate on a kickoff meeting/orientation session for the 2017 Homeless Count. It is scheduled for Sunday, January 8 from 2 to 4pm at the IMAN Center.

We'd like to split \$200 with Palms NC for refreshments for the evening.

## Proposed Motion

- I. To spend up to \$100 to co-fund refreshments with Palms NC for a 2017 Homeless Count kickoff meeting

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## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For: 0

Against: 0

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$  
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### Arguments for:

Refreshments will help get people to the meetings.

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### Arguments against:

We're already funding refreshments for the actual count at the end of Jan.

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# Motion that the LADWP transition to 100% renewables by 2035

**Agenda Item:** GB112916-12

**Date:** November 29, 2016

**Proposed By:** The Green Team Committee

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## Background

In mid October 2016, the Advocacy Committee of the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Alliance (NCSA) contacted its member neighborhood councils asking them to write a letter to city government officials urging that the LADWP quickly develop an adjusted energy plan and time table to transition its energy portfolio to 100% renewables by 2030 and to consider these guidelines before entering into any fossil fuel infrastructure investments. These new targets were the result of discussions between the NCSA, and Evan Gillespie of the Sierra Club, Loraine Lundquist of CSUN and the DWP's Integrated Resource Plan Advisory Committee, Alex Nagy of Food & Water Watch, and Tony Wilkinson of the DWP MOU Oversight Committee. In addition, the need for a new time table was independently corroborated by Andy Shrader, Director of Environmental Affairs, Water Policy & Sustainability Los Angeles City Councilmember, Paul Koretz

## History

In June 2015, the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council passed a motion to instruct the DWP to develop plans to reduce GHG emissions to 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. This measure passed City Council unanimously. At that time, this formula was the solution to achieve the scientifically accepted minimum greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction target established in order to keep the average global temperature increase to 2 degrees Celsius, thus avoiding catastrophic weather patterns, days of extreme heat, reductions in snowfall, changes in ocean temperature, sea levels, and the collateral impact to human health, food production, and biodiversity.

However, by the end of the first quarter of 2016, new statistics indicated that temperatures are rising much faster than originally thought. According to data released by NASA, "...February 2016 was not only the [warmest] month ever measured globally, at 1.35 degrees Celsius above the long-term average—it was more than 0.2 degrees Celsius warmer than the previously... [warmest month ever measured or] January 2016." (Holthaus, "Our Planet's Temperature Just Reached a Terrifying Milestone," *Slate*, Mar. 12, 2016). "...The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) calculates that we have five years left at our current pace before the point of no return." (*Food and Water Watch analysis*).

As opposed to SoCalGas, which supplies natural gas directly to the end user, the DWP uses natural gas to generate electricity for the grid. In their 2015 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP), the plan calls for the city to spend roughly \$2.7 billion towards the purchase of natural gas and natural gas infrastructure to generate electricity to power our grid. The recommendation wants the DWP to reconsider these investments, shifting all, or part of them to investments in transitioning to renewables.

The Aliso Canyon environmental disaster proved that natural gas and its aging infrastructure can be exceedingly dangerous. According to the Air Resources Board, "...the total methane emitted from Aliso Canyon...comes to, "...109,000 metric tons of methane,"...making it the worst natural gas leak in US history. "The Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change...states that,...methane...traps 34 times

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Finally, several large cities in California have already adopted 100% renewable electricity targets including San Diego, which is targeting 2035, and San Francisco, which aims to get there by 2030. It is important that The City of Los Angeles also responds responsibly and quickly to this new climate information.

### Proposed Motion

That in light of new statistics indicating that climate is warming faster than was thought in 2015, the South Robertson Neighborhoods Council write a letter to appropriate city officials urging the City of Los Angeles’s Department of Water & Power (LADWP) to immediately develop an adjusted energy plan and concrete timeline to transition its energy portfolio to 100% renewables by 2035 and consider these guidelines before entering into any fossil fuel and infrastructure investments.

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### Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Unanimous  
Votes For: 4

Against: 0

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:**  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

\$N/A

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#### Arguments for:

It is prudent and responsible in order to divert a possible crisis, that the DWP be flexible in developing strategies and reconsidering investment costs going forward when tackling expensive, on-going, complex problems.

Transitioning to a 100% renewable grid will also increase the City’s potential to create more local jobs.

Los Angeles is one of the cleanest, large cities in the world and serves as a model for large cities world-wide in transitioning to 100% renewables.

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#### Arguments against:

The motion does not ask for short term goals or an independent body to monitor progress.

This motion is not rigorous enough and should be consistent with the Neighborhood Council Sustainability Council (NCSA) and San Francisco target of 2030, not the target put forth by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) of 2035.



November 20, 2016

To: Mayor Garcetti, Winifred Yancy of the DWP, Chair and Vice Chair of the Energy and Environment Committee, City Councilman Paul Koretz and City Council President Herb Wesson, Andy Shrader, Director of Environmental Affairs, Water Policy & Sustainability Los Angeles City Councilmember, Paul Koretz

Dear

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Yours truly,

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# Motion to support the City's 2017 marijuana regulation ballot measure

**Agenda Item:** GB112916-13

**Date:** 29 November 2016

**Proposed By:** Doug Fitzsimmons

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## Background

**Council file: 14-03660-S5**

In 2013, Los Angeles voters passed Proposition D. Created by the City after extensive discussion with community leaders and forward-looking legal dispensaries, While arguably flawed and indisputably cumbersome to amend, it established City regulations regarding medical marijuana distribution and sales after years of debate and legal challenges. A competing and much more permissive measure on that ballot, put forth by operators of illegal dispensaries, was defeated.

With the passage of California Proposition 64 decriminalizing the sale of recreational marijuana, the City must once again revisit its rules.

A group of dispensary owners has pre-emptively put forth a ballot measure (the *LA Marijuana Regulation and Safety Act*, or MRSA) for March 2017 that would replace Proposition D with highly detailed new language within the City's municipal code. In response, the City has authorized a competing measure (the *LA Cannabis Enforcement, Taxation, and Regulation Act*, or CETRA).

The fundamental point of difference is how best to establish a regulatory, enforcement, and taxation framework for the City. Given the rapidly-evolving nature of the State's licensing requirements, the City believes it shouldn't be locked in to language that can only be changed by another ballot measure, as MRSA would largely do. CETRA's approach is rather to restore the City government's authority to create and enforce regulations (and the ability to refine them as necessary).

Further, CETRA calls for extensive public hearings to solicit input on those rules, specifically from Neighborhood Councils. As the City's experience with medical marijuana demonstrated, citizen input is crucial, if potentially contentious.

CETRA sets gross receipt tax rates that are significantly higher and more wide-CETRA than those in MRSA. And finally, CETRA creates new enforcement tools for the City, including the ability to shut off water and power to the business.

While CETRA is not intended to be a complete regulatory framework, the City has established an active working group to craft the additional changes to the Municipal Code, with the goal of passing legislation in July, 2017 (well before Prop. 64 takes effect).

## Proposed Motion

- I. SORO NC supports the passage of the *Cannabis Enforcement, Taxation, and Regulation Act* ballot measure as an important first step towards establishing a community-forward framework for the regulation, enforcement, and taxation of recreational marijuana in the City of Los Angeles.

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## Considerations

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**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For: n/a

Against:

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**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:** \$n/a  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

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### Arguments for:

CETRA preserves the ability for neighborhoods to provide detailed input on recreational marijuana regulations. It also will be easier to amend in the future.

CETRA establishes a licensing process for commercial marijuana firms only after public input. It also creates an interim process in case that work is not finished by the State's January 1, 2018 deadline.

CETRA creates more tax revenue for the City.

### Arguments against:

MSRA avoids reopening the contentious, hair-splitting, and often circular public debate that delayed LA establishing medical pot regulations.

MSRA establishes a licensing process up front, addressing worries from existing dispensaries that delays would affect their ability to legally operate.

The higher you tax, the greater the chance you encourage a black market.

## RESOLUTION

Resolution providing that a ballot measure be submitted to the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles.

### BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AS FOLLOWS:

Section A. The following ordinance of the City of Los Angeles is hereby proposed to be submitted for approval by a majority of the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles at a Special Election to be called and consolidated with the City's Primary Nominating Election on March 7, 2017:

#### ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

An ordinance amending the Los Angeles Municipal Code regarding the enforcement, taxation and regulation of cannabis related activity in the City of Los Angeles.

**WHEREAS**, the Compassionate Use Act (CUA), adopted by the voters in 1996, and the Medical Marijuana Program Act (MMPA), enacted by the State Legislature in 2003, provided California's qualified patients and their primary caregivers with limited immunities to specified criminal prosecutions under state law, including to ensure that qualified patients and their primary caregivers who obtain and use cannabis for medical purposes are not subject to state criminal prosecution;

**WHEREAS**, commencing in 2007, according to local media reports and neighborhood observations and complaints, hundreds of medical cannabis establishments, including self-named collectives, caregivers and dispensaries, (Businesses) opened, closed and reopened storefront shops in the City without land use approval under the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC);

**WHEREAS**, the proliferation of cannabis Businesses led to increased crime and negative secondary impacts in neighborhoods, including but not limited to violent crimes, robberies, the distribution of tainted marijuana, and the diversion of marijuana;

**WHEREAS**, beginning in August 2007, the City enacted a series of ordinances designed to curb the rampant increase in cannabis dispensaries, which resulted in an explosion of lawsuits against the City;

**WHEREAS**, at the municipal election held on March 8, 2011, the voters of the City of Los Angeles passed Measure M and thereby enacted Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 21.50, which imposed a tax of \$50 for every \$1,000 of revenues generated by Medical Marijuana Collectives;

**WHEREAS**, on May 21, 2013, the voters of the City of Los Angeles passed Proposition D, adding Article 5.1 of Chapter IV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, providing potential limited immunity from enforcement to approximately 135 cannabis dispensaries that had potentially complied with the City's 2007 Interim Control Ordinance, 2011 Temporary Urgency Ordinance and 2011 Measure M, and also met other specified requirements, and increasing the tax to \$60 for every \$1,000 of revenues generated by Medical Marijuana Collectives;

**WHEREAS**, since the passage of Proposition D, the City Attorney's Office has initiated over 1,700 criminal filings against individuals and entities regarding non-immunized cannabis Businesses and shut down over 800 non-immunized medical cannabis Businesses;

**WHEREAS**, despite this aggressive enforcement by the City Attorney's Office, with the passage of Proposition D, an unknown number of medical cannabis Businesses, including growers, delivery apps and delivery services continue to open, close, and reopen in Los Angeles, with no regulatory authorization from the City;

**WHEREAS**, because large profits can be earned by operating medical cannabis Businesses, it is necessary to have commensurate monetary penalties to prevent persons and entities from opening and operating non-immunized or illegal medical cannabis Businesses and to discourage property owners from renting to these kind of medical cannabis Businesses;

**WHEREAS**, medical cannabis Businesses require sustained police enforcement, because they are attractive targets for criminals as well as to individuals who buy cannabis and resell it to minors and others who cannot purchase it for themselves. These secondary sales further damage blighted areas of the City and are a drain on police resources. Large monetary sanctions are a rational way to discourage the proliferation of illegal businesses which generate these negative secondary impacts;

**WHEREAS**, in 2015, the Legislature and Governor enacted the Medical Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act ("MCRSA") consisting of three separate bills, creating a state licensing system for the commercial cultivation, manufacture, retail sale, transport, distribution, delivery, and testing of medical cannabis. Licenses under MCRSA are not expected to be available until 2018;

**WHEREAS**, on November 8, 2016, the voters of the State of California will be asked to vote on Proposition 64, an initiative also known as the Adult Use of Marijuana Act (AUMA). Under AUMA, personal possession of an ounce or less of cannabis and/or up to eight grams of concentrated cannabis would be legal. Retail sales of nonmedical cannabis may only take place pursuant to a state license, scheduled to become available in 2018;

**WHEREAS**, the potential approval of AUMA would impose new challenges for local governments to properly legislate the commercialization of nonmedical cannabis and medical cannabis, including their derivative products and services;

**WHEREAS**, it is the belief of the City that the circumstances in which cannabis activity should be allowed or not should be the subject of a robust, deliberative process that includes comprehensive public discussion and debate, and to that end, the City Council retains the legislative power and authority to determine the extent to which any such activity should be allowed in the City;

**WHEREAS**, in order to protect the public and consumers of medical and nonmedical cannabis, and reduce the negative secondary impacts on the City's communities, the City Council intends to receive public input, deliberate and then enact by ordinance a comprehensive regulatory and enforcement system related to medical and nonmedical cannabis activity; and that in order to enact a comprehensive regulatory and enforcement system, cannabis lawmaking authority must be retained by the City Council and Mayor;

**WHEREAS**, so that medical marijuana is available to patients in need of it, medical marijuana Businesses that have been operating in compliance with the limited immunity and tax provisions of Los Angeles Municipal Code Sections 45.19.6.3 and 21.50 at the one location identified in the Business's business tax registration certificate on file with the City should continue to operate until City licenses or permits are available, and, thereafter, priority in the processing of applications for a City license or permit should be given to those Businesses;

**WHEREAS**, the City also wishes to impose and obtain voter approval of a gross receipts tax regime of various rates on those who engage in the commercialization of nonmedical and medical cannabis, including their derivative products and services to the extent allowed by any comprehensive regulatory system established by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the tax regime proposed would assist the City in raising revenue, improve access, measure the commercial growth of the cannabis industry and assess the need for further rules or regulations to prevent access by minors, improve access to those who are medically in need, and protect public safety, public health and the environment;

**NOW, THEREFORE,**

**THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DO ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1. This ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Los Angeles Cannabis Enforcement, Taxation, and Regulation Act (CETRA)."

Sec. 2. A new section 21.51 is added to Article 1 of Chapter II the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

**SEC. 21.51. TAXATION OF CANNABIS.**

Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring the City to allow, permit, license, authorize, or otherwise regulate cannabis, cannabis products or any business related to cannabis and/or cannabis products.

(a) For the purpose of this Section, the following words and phrases shall be defined as follows:

1. "Cannabis" shall mean all parts of the plant *Cannabis sativa* Linnaeus, *Cannabis indica*, or *Cannabis ruderalis*, whether growing or not; the seeds thereof; the resin, whether crude or purified, extracted from any part of the plant; and every compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the plant, its seeds, resin, separated resin, the mature stalks of the plant, fiber produced from the stalks, oil or cake made from the seeds of the plant, any other compound, manufacture, salt, derivative, mixture, or preparation of the mature stalks (except the resin extracted therefrom), fiber, oil, or cake, or the sterilized seed of the plant which is incapable of germination, or industrial hemp, as defined by Section 11018.5 of the Health and Safety Code.

2. "Cannabis products" shall mean any product that includes cannabis that has undergone a process whereby the plant material has been transformed into a concentrate or such other form in order to enhance or deliver the cannabinoid active ingredient.

3. "Cultivating" shall mean to plant, grow, harvest, dry, cure, grade, or trim cannabis.

4. "Gross receipts" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Section 21.00(a) of this Article and shall include without limitation, membership dues, value of in kind contributions, reimbursements, the amount of any tax imposed by the state, county or rapid transit district whether imposed upon the retailer or the consumer, and any other property received by the business in its ordinary course.

5. "License" shall consist of (i) a state license issued under Division 10 of the California Business and Professions Code, Chapter 3.5 of Division 8 of the California Business and Professions Code, or such other applicable cannabis related provisions under state law, and (ii) any such other applicable City authorization, permit, or license (not including a business tax registration certificate which shall not be construed as a permit in any way).

6. "Manufacturing" shall mean to compound, blend, extract, infuse, or otherwise make, process, or prepare cannabis or cannabis products.

7. "Testing" shall mean to perform a test of cannabis and/or cannabis products in a testing laboratory that is accredited by an accrediting body that is independent from all other persons involved in commercial or medical cannabis, and registered with the State Department of Public Health.

8. "Testing laboratory" shall mean a facility, entity, or site in the City of Los Angeles that offers or performs testing.

9. "Transporting" shall mean to transfer cannabis and/or cannabis products from the location of one person with a license to the location of another person with a license.

(b) For purposes of this Section, the business tax to be imposed shall be as follows:

1. Every person with a license that is engaged in business of conducting the sale of cannabis and/or cannabis products shall pay a business tax of \$100.00 for each \$1,000.00 of gross receipts or fractional part thereof. The sale of medical cannabis shall be taxed as provided under Section 21.52 of this Article.

2. Every person with a license that is engaged in business of transporting cannabis and/or cannabis products shall pay a business tax of \$10.00 for each \$1,000.00 of gross receipts or fractional part thereof.

3. Every person with a license that is engaged in business of testing cannabis and/or cannabis products shall pay a business tax of \$10.00 for each \$1,000.00 of gross receipts or fractional part thereof.

4. Every person with a license that is engaged in business of researching cannabis and/or cannabis products shall pay a business tax of \$10.00 for each \$1,000.00 of gross receipts or fractional part thereof.

5. Every person with a license that is engaged in business of manufacturing or cultivating cannabis and/or cannabis products shall pay a business tax of \$20.00 for each \$1,000.00 of gross receipts or fractional part thereof.

6. Every person with a license that is engaged in business relating to the commercialization of cannabis and/or cannabis products not

specifically taxed under this Section shall pay a business tax of \$20.00 for each \$1,000.00 of gross receipts or fractional part thereof.

(c) The Office of Finance shall file quarterly reports summarizing the amount of business taxes collected from the persons described in subsection (b) of this Section with the City Council, Mayor, Controller, and City Administrative Officer beginning April 1, 2018.

(d) All business taxes shall be due and payable quarterly as provided under Section 21.04(b) of this Article beginning July 1, 2018, which shall include any taxes owed from January 1, 2018, and then monthly as provided under Section 21.04(c) of this Article beginning July 1, 2019.

(e) The Office of Finance shall prescribe and implement a reasonable process, including set times and secure conditions, whereby every person subject to business tax under this Section is allowed to pay, in cash, the amount of business tax reported on their written statement, as prescribed under Section 21.14 of this Article.

(f) The Director of Finance may prescribe such additional requirements or conditions, as provided under Section 21.15(h) of this Article, when granting a business tax registration certificate under Section 21.08 of this Article with respect to a person subject to this Section, which may include an affidavit of compliance and/or proof of license. Any person who makes a false statement or misrepresentation in any required affidavit under this Section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(g) It shall be a misdemeanor for any person operating a nonmedical cannabis business to maintain or display a business tax registration certificate for any classification other than that set forth herein for nonmedical cannabis business activity or to maintain or display an expired, suspended or otherwise invalid business tax registration certificate.

(h) No business tax registration certificate issued for purposes of this Section or the payment of any tax required under this Section shall be construed as authorizing the conduct or continuance of any illegal business or of a legal business in an illegal manner. Nothing in this Section implies or authorizes that any activity in connection with cannabis and/or cannabis products is legal unless otherwise authorized by federal and any other applicable law.

(i) Every person subject to this Section must pay the full tax imposed by this Section regardless of any rebate, exemption, incentive, or other reduction set forth elsewhere in the Municipal Code, except as required by state or federal law. No provision in the Municipal Code shall lower the tax rate set forth in this Section or otherwise reduce the amount of taxes paid hereunder unless the provision specifically states that the reduction applies.



(j) The City Council may impose the tax authorized by this Section at a lower rate and may establish exemptions, incentives or other reductions as otherwise allowed by the Charter and state law. No action by the Council under this paragraph shall prevent it from later increasing the tax or removing any exemption, incentive, or reduction and restoring up to the maximum tax specified in this Section.

(k) The provisions of this Section shall be effective January 1, 2018.

Sec. 3. A new Section 21.52 is added to Article 1 of Chapter II the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

**SEC. 21.52 TAXATION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS.**

Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring the City to allow, permit, license, authorize, or otherwise regulate medical cannabis or any business related to medical cannabis.

(a) For the purpose of this Section, the following words and phrases shall be defined as follows:

1. "Cannabis" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Section 21.51(a)(1) of this Article.

2. "Cannabis products" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Section 21.51(a)(2) of this Article.

3. "Gross receipts" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Section 21.51(a)(4) of this Article.

4. "License" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Section 21.51(a)(5) of this Article.

5. "Medical cannabis" shall mean a product containing cannabis or cannabis products sold for use by medical cannabis patients in California pursuant to the Compassionate Use Act of 1996, found at Section 11362.5 of the California Health and Safety Code.

(b) For purposes of this Section, the business tax to be imposed shall be as follows:

1. Every person with a license engaged in business of conducting the sale of medical cannabis shall pay a business tax of \$50.00 for each \$1,000.00 of gross receipts or fractional part thereof.

(c) The Office of Finance shall file quarterly reports summarizing the amount of business taxes collected from the persons described in subsection (b) of this Section with the City Council, Mayor, Controller, and City Administrative Officer beginning April 1, 2018.

(d) All business taxes shall be due and payable quarterly as provided under Section 21.04(b) of this Article beginning July 1, 2018, which shall include any taxes owed from January 1, 2018, and then monthly as provided under Section 21.04(c) of this Article beginning July 1, 2019.

(e) The Office of Finance shall prescribe and implement a reasonable process, including set times and secure conditions, whereby every person subject to business tax under this Section is allowed to pay, in cash, the amount of business tax reported on their written statement, as prescribed under Section 21.04 of this Article.

(f) The Director of Finance may prescribe such additional requirements or conditions, as provided under Section 21.15(h), as may be necessary when granting a business tax registration certificate under Section 21.08 of this Article with respect to a business subject to this Section, which may include an affidavit of compliance and proof of License. Any person who makes a false statement or misrepresentation in any required affidavit under this Section is guilty of a misdemeanor.

(g) It shall be a misdemeanor for any person operating a medical cannabis business to maintain or display a business tax registration certificate for any classification other than that set forth herein for medical cannabis business activity or to maintain or display an expired, suspended or otherwise invalid business tax registration certificate.

(h) No business tax registration certificate issued for purposes of this Section or the payment of any tax required under this Section shall be construed as authorizing the conduct or continuance of any illegal business or of a legal business in an illegal manner. Nothing in this Section implies or authorizes that any activity in connection with cannabis and/or cannabis products is legal unless otherwise authorized by federal and any other applicable law.

(i) Every person subject to this Section must pay the full tax imposed by this Section regardless of any rebate, exemption, incentive, or other reduction set forth elsewhere in the Municipal Code, except as required by state or federal law. No provision in the Municipal Code shall lower the tax rate set forth in this Section or otherwise reduce the amount of taxes paid hereunder unless the provision specifically states that the reduction applies.

(j) The City Council may impose the tax authorized by this Section at a lower rate and may establish exemptions, incentives or other reductions as

otherwise allowed by the Charter and state law. No action by the Council under this paragraph shall prevent it from later increasing the tax or removing any exemption, incentive, or reduction and restoring up to the maximum tax specified in this Section.

(k) The provisions of this Section shall be effective January 1, 2018, at which time the language of this Section shall govern in the event of any conflict between this Section and Section 21.50 regarding taxation of medical marijuana collectives.

Sec. 4. A new Article 5.2 is added to Chapter IV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to read as follows:

## **ARTICLE 5.2**

### **CANNABIS REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT**

#### **SEC. 45.19.7.1. REPEAL OF PROPOSITION D (MEDICAL MARIJUANA).**

The voters of the City of Los Angeles adopted Article 5.1 of Chapter IV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code regarding medical marijuana (Sections 45.19.6 through 45.19.6.9) as part of Proposition D, a referendum submitted to the voters by the City Council at the election held on May 21, 2013. The Council shall adopt an ordinance repealing these provisions of Proposition D (Sections 45.19.6 through 45.19.6.9) effective January 1, 2018, unless the Council adopts a Resolution, by majority vote, specifying another date for the repeal. The Council retains and possesses authority to amend, by ordinance, these provisions of Proposition D prior to its repeal.

#### **SEC. 45.19.7.2. COUNCIL AUTHORITY TO REGULATE CANNABIS RELATED ACTIVITY AFTER PUBLIC HEARINGS AND PRIORITY OF DISPENSARIES COMPLIANT WITH PROPOSITION D.**

A. **Council Authority.** The City retains and possesses complete authority to regulate all aspects of cannabis related activity, including, without limitation, the authority of the Council to adopt ordinances amending any of the provisions of this Article and/or any other provision of City law regarding cannabis related activity, other than taxation provisions to the extent that voter approval of any changes to taxation provisions is required under the State Constitution.

B. **Public Hearings.** The City intends to adopt a comprehensive regulatory process and structure for all cannabis related activity by September 30, 2017. Prior to the creation of a comprehensive regulatory process and structure for cultivation, processing, distribution, sale and other cannabis related activity, including enforcement of any licensing and related oversight (*i.e.*, the

“commercialization” of cannabis), the Council shall convene public hearings in the City involving all stakeholders in the process of developing the rules, regulations and ordinances necessary to regulate the safe commercialization of cannabis, including, but not limited to, Neighborhood Councils, police officers, school officials, probation officers, civic and service organizations, chambers of commerce, cannabis related industries and others. The public hearings shall include consideration and attempted resolution of matters including:

1. Rules concerning who may qualify to operate in any of the phases of commercialization of cannabis;
2. Penalties, fines, and other enforcement tools needed to ensure strict compliance with licensing to avoid the unlawful conduct of cannabis related activities in the City;
3. Regulation of transportation of cannabis products within the City;
4. Siting of all buildings and facilities involved in all phases of commercialization of cannabis;
5. Preventing the over-concentration of businesses involved in commercialization of cannabis;
6. Determinations of any necessary land use requirements such as distances to schools, parks, libraries, residences, liquor stores, stores selling candy to children, and other such matters affecting the locations of stores and facilities involved in commercialization of cannabis;
7. Constitutional and appropriate measures regarding advertising commercialization of cannabis in such a way as to prohibit exposure to anyone under the age of 21;
8. Updated training and protocols to enable police officers to enforce laws against driving while under the influence of cannabis;
9. Requirements for auto rental agencies, particularly at airports, to advise visitors to the City regarding the rules concerning driving while under the influence, and other cannabis regulations, of which visitors may not be aware;
10. Historical issues of social equity and social justice related to the commercialization of cannabis;

11. Issues regarding how the City addresses compliance, complaints, and civil or criminal proceedings related to Proposition D medical marijuana dispensaries; and

12. Any and all other issues that may arise regarding the commercialization of cannabis in the City.

**C. Priority of Proposition D Compliant Dispensaries.** An existing medical marijuana dispensary (“EMMD”) that is operating in compliance with the limited immunity provisions (Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 45.19.6.3) and tax provisions (Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 21.50) of Proposition D, may continue to operate within the City at the one location identified in its original or amended business tax registration certificate until such time that the EMMD applies for and receives a final response to its application for a City permit or license for commercial cannabis activity being conducted at that location. The City’s designated licensing or permitting agency shall give priority in processing applications of EMMDs that can demonstrate to the City’s designated licensing or permitting agency that the EMMD has operated in compliance with the limited immunity and tax provisions of Proposition D. To avail itself of the terms of this Section, including the priority processing, an EMMD must apply for a City permit or license within sixty calendar days of the first date that applications are made available for commercial cannabis activity. If the City issues the EMMD a license or permit for commercial cannabis activity, the EMMD shall continue to operate at its location within the City in accordance with the rules and regulations set forth by the City.

**SEC. 45.19.7.3. ENFORCEMENT, PENALTIES AND DISCONNECTION OF UTILITIES FOR UNLAWFUL CANNABIS RELATED ACTIVITY.**

A. This Section is effective January 1, 2018 and applies to all entities and persons engaging in medical and/or nonmedical cannabis related activity, who are legally required to, but do not have, a City issued license, permit or authorization (“Establishment”).

B. It is unlawful to: (1) Own, set up or operate an Establishment, (2) Participate as an employee, contractor, agent or volunteer or in any other capacity in an Establishment, (3) Use any portion or portion of any parcel of land as an Establishment, or to (4) Lease, rent to, or otherwise allow an Establishment to occupy any parcel or portion of parcel of land.

C. A violation of subsection B is a public nuisance and may be abated by the City or by the City Attorney, on behalf of the people of the State of California, as a nuisance by means of a restraining order, injunction or any other order or judgment in law or equity issued by a court of competent jurisdiction. The City or the City Attorney, on behalf of the people of the State of California, may seek injunctive relief to enjoin violations of, or to compel compliance with

this Section or seek any other relief or remedy available at law or equity. Each day that a violation continues is deemed to be a new and separate offense and subject to a maximum civil penalty of \$20,000 for each and every offense.

D. Any person violating subsection B shall be guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.00 or by imprisonment in the County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or by both a fine and imprisonment. Each day that a violation continues is deemed to be a new and separate offense.

E. The Department of Water and Power is authorized to disconnect utilities for Establishments. The circumstances and manner in which disconnection shall occur shall be specified by the City Council after receiving input from the Department of Water and Power.

F. The remedies specified in this Section are cumulative and in addition to any other remedies available under state or local law for a violation of this Code.

G. Nothing in this Section shall be construed as requiring the City to allow, permit, license, authorize or otherwise regulate medical or nonmedical cannabis, or as abridging the City's police power with respect to enforcement regarding medical or nonmedical cannabis.

Sec. 5. Nothing in this ordinance is intended to be in conflict with state law or to abrogate local police power and/or charter city authority derived from the California Constitution.

Sec. 6. Future Amendment. The City retains and possesses complete authority to regulate all aspects of cannabis related activity, including, without limitation, the authority of the Council to adopt ordinances amending any of the provisions of this ordinance, any of the provisions of Article 5.1 of Chapter IV of the Los Angeles Municipal Code regarding medical marijuana adopted by the voters as part of Proposition D at the election held on May 21, 2013 (Sections 45.19.6 through 45.19.6.9) prior to the repeal of those provisions, and/or any other provision of City law regarding cannabis related activity, other than taxation provisions to the extent that voter approval of any changes to taxation provisions is required under the State Constitution.

Sec. 7. Competing Measures. In the event that this measure and any other measure relating in any way to the regulation of cannabis in the City of Los Angeles are submitted to the voters of the City of Los Angeles on the same ballot, all of the provisions of the other measure shall be deemed to be in complete and total conflict with this measure. In the event that this measure receives a greater number of affirmative votes than the other measure, the provisions of this measure shall prevail in their entirety over all of the provisions of the other measure, and the other measure shall be null and void.

Sec. 8. Severability. If any section, subsection, subdivision, clause, sentence, phrase or portion of this measure is held unconstitutional or invalid or unenforceable by any court or tribunal of competent jurisdiction, the remaining sections, subsections, subdivisions, clauses, sentences, phrases or portions of this measure shall remain in full force and effect, and to this end the provisions of this measure are severable. In addition, the voters declare that they would have passed all sections, subsections, subdivisions, clauses, sentences, phrases or portions of this measure without the section, subsection, subdivision, clause, sentence, phrase or portion held unconstitutional or invalid.

Sec. B. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to publish a notice containing the proposed ballot measure, specifying the date of March 7, 2017, as the date the measure is to be voted upon by the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles. The notice shall be published once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Los Angeles, and in each edition thereof during that day of publication. The City Clerk is authorized and directed to prepare and keep in the City Clerk's office a sufficient supply of copies of the proposed ballot measure and to distribute the proposed ballot measure to any and all persons requesting a copy. Further, the City Clerk is authorized and directed to mail copies of the proposed ballot measure to each of the qualified voters of the City of Los Angeles.

Sec. C. The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice to be published once in a newspaper of general circulation that copies of voter information pamphlets containing the proposed ballot measure may be obtained upon request in the City Clerk's office.

Sec. D. The City Clerk shall file a duly certified copy of this Resolution forthwith with the Board of Supervisors and with the Registrar-Recorder of the County of Los Angeles.

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_.

HOLLY L. WOLCOTT, City Clerk

By \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy

Approved as to Form and Legality

MICHAEL N. FEUER, City Attorney

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
HARIT U. TRIVEDI  
Deputy City Attorney

Date November 7, 2016





## LANCC Proposed Motion on LAHSA

**Agenda Item:** GB111716-14  
**Date:** November 29, 2016  
**Proposed By:** Jon Liberman

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### Background

LANCC at their November, 2016 meeting asked each of their member Neighborhood Councils to consider their proposed motion and to determine whether the specific NC desired to support a motion.

The Los Angeles Homeless Service Authority (LAHSA) is a combined City-County authority who annually handles the disbursement of millions of dollars Federal, State, Regional and private funds to house and feed the homeless in the City and County of Los Angeles. Most of these funds have restrictions placed on how they can be spent.

On November 1, 2016, CBS Investigative Reporter, David Goldstein, in a television news report charged LAHSA with spending \$ 99 318.29 in funds meant to relieve homelessness and hunger for the following items:

1. Food for LAHSA employees and executives. \$5,606.35.
2. Furniture for LAHSA reception area. \$1,608.73
3. 41 pairs of hiking boots for LAHSA employees. \$5,585.80
4. Holiday dinner for employees. \$3,369.41
5. \$25 Target gift cards for employees. \$4,250.00
6. TAP cards for employee use in transportation throughout the city/ county. \$78.898.00

In the report the Executive Director of LAHSA, Peter Lynn, defended the expenditures by stating that this was not a matter that was “either-or” but it is an “and”.

Note that these expenditures are miniscule in relation to the Agency’s overall annual budget. They would be appropriate if the source of payment permits payment for administrative expenses. The issue that needs review is whether the investigative report got it right. If the investigative report is right, the Agency may have misspent funds targeted for food and shelter to the most vulnerable part of our community. If the investigative report neglected to determine and report that the source of funds spent on these items would permit payments for administrative expenses, then the Agency was maligned and its reputation tarnished.

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## Proposed Motion

The SORO NC Executive Committee has reviewed the LAANC request for proposed SORO NC action and recommends the following actions:

- I. While this appears to be a “ho-hum” matter the issues to be determined are serious. A public agency was accused of frivolously spending funds. If this is inaccurate, then they should be publicly vindicated. On the other hand, if the accusations are accurate those who are charged with oversight of the agency need to get involved.
- II. The Neighborhood Council should write to the City and County requesting an independent audit of the matter be undertaken within the next 60 days.

## Considerations

**Committee review:**  
*(highly recommended)*

Votes For:

Against:

**Amount previously allocated in Committee's working budget:**     \$ n/a  
*(applies to funding motions only)*

### Arguments for:

1. The proposed letter requesting an audit is appropriate due to the issues involved.
2. The audit will clarify what happened and could vindicate the Agency.

### Arguments against:

1. The amounts involved are not significant.
2. The Audit will involve some expense to conduct