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April 10, 2007

Councilmember LaBonge
Director of Planning
Cultural Affairs Department

City Planning Department,
Attn: Mark Lopez
(w/copy of ordinance)
cc: Ken Bernstein
cc: Geographic Information Section
Attn: Fae Tsukamoto

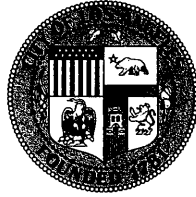
RE: EXTENDING THE URGENCY ORDINANCE AND ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM
ON THE ISSUANCE OF BUILDING AND DEMOLITION PERMITS FOR PROPERTIES WITHIN THE
WINDSOR SQUARE AREA

At the meeting of the Council held March 21, 2007, the following action was taken:

Attached report adopted	_____
Motion adopted to approve communication recommendation(s)	_____
Motion adopted to approve committee report recommendation(s)	X _____
Ordinance adopted	X _____
Ordinance number	178549 _____
Publication date	04-09-07 _____
Effective date	04-09-07 _____
Mayor vetoed	_____
Mayor approved	03-30-07 _____
Mayor failed to act - deemed approved	_____
Findings adopted	X _____
Negative Declaration adopted	_____
Categorically exempt	_____
Exemption approved	X _____

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TO THE COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

3-21-07
FILE NO. 07-0354

Your

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT

Committee

reports as follows:

CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION, PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT and URGENCY ORDINANCE relative to extending the Urgency Ordinance and establishing a temporary moratorium on the issuance of building and demolition permits for properties within the Windsor Square Area.

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

1. FIND that this action is categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (CEQA), the Department of Planning has determined that the adoption of the ordinance is exempt from the requirements of CEQA, pursuant to Article 19, Section 15308, Class 8 of the State's Guidelines in that the project "consists of actions taken by regulatory agencies, as authorized by state or local ordinance, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment where the regulatory process involves procedures for protection of the environment."
2. ADOPT the March 14, 2007, and March 20, 2007, FINDINGS of the Director of Planning as the Findings of the City Council.
3. PRESENT and ADOPT the accompanying URGENCY ORDINANCE, approved by the Director of Planning, extending Urgency Ordinance No. 178400 (pursuant to California Government Code Section 65858), for an additional 10 months and 15 days or until the Windsor Square Historic Preservation Overlay Zone and Preservation Plan are adopted, whichever occurs first, and establishing a temporary moratorium on the issuance of building and demolition permits in a portion of the Wilshire Community Plan Area, for properties within the re-initiated Windsor Square Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ), generally bounded by Beverly Boulevard on the north, both sides of Arden Boulevard on the west, both sides of Van Ness Avenue on the east, and the rear property lines of the commercially zoned properties along Wilshire Boulevard on the south, but excluding commercially and multi-family - R3 zoned lots.

URGENCY CLAUSE - 12 VOTES REQUIRED

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

Summary:

At its meeting held March 20, 2007, the Planning and Land Use Management Committee recommended that Council approve the accompanying City Attorney report and an Urgency Ordinance extending the Urgency Ordinance No. 178400, pursuant to California Government Code Section 65858, and establishing a temporary moratorium on the issuance of building and demolition permits for properties within the re-initiated Windsor Square Historic Preservation Overlay Zone (HPOZ), generally bounded by Beverly Boulevard on the north, both sides of Arden Boulevard on the west, both sides of Van Ness Avenue on the east, and the rear property lines of the commercially zoned properties along Wilshire Boulevard on the south, but excluding commercially and multi-family - R3 zoned lots.

Staff from the Planning Department and the City Attorney Office provided information and written documentation about the ordinance and the exemption from CEQA, pursuant to Article 19, Section 15308, Class 8 of the State's

Guidelines. The City Attorney presented a corrected copy of the Ordinance at the hearing. In addition, it was reported by Planning staff, that the interim Urgency Ordinance would be extended for a period of 10 months and 15 days, if approved by Council, or the effective date of the Windsor Square Historic Preservation Overlay Zone and Preservation Plan, whichever comes first.

Staff from Council District Four was present at the hearing and spoke in support of the Urgency Ordinance for the Windsor Square Area.

Respectfully submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
REYES:	ABSENT
HUIZAR:	YES
WEISS:	YES

BG:ys
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Attachment: Ordinance

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ADOPTED
MOTION ADOPTED TO APPROVE COMMITTEE REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS
MAR 21 2007

LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL
Exempt Approved