



11.21.25

To:

Assembly Member Rick Chavez Zbur
Representative Laura Friedman
Senator Adam Schiff
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (Cal Fire)
Office of Los Angeles City Administrator
Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney

Re: Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council Opposition to the Current Status of the Zone Zero Regulations

Dear State and City Officials,

I am writing to you in my capacity as President of the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council (HHWNC) to formally convey the concerns expressed during our Board meeting held on 11.19.25. Zone Zero, as mandated by recent state legislation, was the primary topic of discussion, including a detailed presentation by Dave Lefkowitz, the President of the Mandeville Canyon Association, who outlined the proposed requirements and enforcement structure.

Our board and community were collectively shocked and deeply concerned by the scope and implications of the Zone Zero law as currently drafted. The turnout and level of engagement reflected the seriousness with which our community views this issue: **all 23 HHWNC board members were present, marking 100% participation, and over 100 community members and stakeholders** attended to voice their questions, concerns, and experiences.

Following robust discussion, the HHWNC Board voted **unanimously** to adopt the following motion:

Motion:

*HHWNC supports the position of the Los Angeles City Council (CF # 10-2468-S2) and other California area communities in **opposition** to the current status of the Forestry Project called Zone Zero. HHWNC pleads with Forestry, Cal Fire, State Legislators, and Governor Newsom to hear and respect the concerns of all stakeholders to be impacted within hillside areas and adjacent communities.*

Our community fully supports sensible wildfire prevention efforts and recognizes the urgency of protecting high-risk areas. However, the current version of Zone Zero raises significant concerns regarding feasibility, environmental impact including impacts to wildlife and local ecology, financial burden on homeowners, unintended consequences, and the lack of meaningful engagement with affected hillside communities prior to implementation.

We respectfully urge your offices to pause further implementation of Zone Zero in its current form. Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter and for your ongoing service to our region. We hope you will give serious consideration to the concerns raised by our Board and the thousands of residents and stakeholders we represent.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anastasia Mann".

Anastasia Mann

President

Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council

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