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At its meeting held on June 20, 2023, the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee considered a proposed Ordinance amending Sections 12.03, 12.04, 12.32, 13.21, 13.22, and 16.05 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) to establish a Wildlife Supplemental Use District Zone (Proposed Wildlife Ordinance), and a proposed Zone Change Ordinance applying the Wildlife Supplemental Use District (Proposed Zone Change Ordinance) to the zones of those parcels lying within the project boundaries identified in the Map CPC-2022-3712-ZC.

The Committee took the following actions:

- Found, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15061(b)(3), 15307 (Class 7), 15308 (Class 8), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a Categorical Exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.
- 2. Adopted the Findings of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of Council.
- 3. Requested the City Attorney to prepare and present a Wildlife Ordinance amending Sections 12.03, 12.04, 12.32, 13.21, 13.22, and 16.05 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to establish a Wildlife Supplemental Use District Zone inclusive of all modifications recommended by the PLUM Committee and contained in the Communication from Council Districts 4 and 5, dated June 13, 2023, and as recommended by the Department of City Planning (DCP) in the report dated June 16, 2023 to:

- a. Revert to the previously recommended provision to count habitable basement space toward Residential Floor Area (RFA) calculations.
- b. Revert to the previously recommended provision to not allocate RFA for slope bands exceeding 60% grade.
- c. Amend the definition of Open Space to include City-owned property that is vacant as of the effective date of the ordinance.
- d. Require Biological Assessments to be prepared by Qualified Biologists, in accordance with current DCP practices.
- 4. Instructed the DCP to prepare and present a Zone Change Ordinance, approved by the LACPC applying the Wildlife Supplemental Use District Zone to the zones of those parcels lying within the project boundaries identified in the proposed Ordinance Map.
- 5. Instructed the DCP to proactively create a vetted list of registered Qualified Biologists that applicants may select from and that is maintained and updated by the department.
- 6. Instructed the DCP, the Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety, the Bureau of Street Services, the Urban Forestry Division of the Public Works Department, and any other relevant departments and units, to report back on resources needed, including the creation of a Hillside Development Review Unit, to implement the Ordinances upon its completion following the form and legality process.

Please transmit the ordinances and reports requested by the PLUM Committee to the City Clerk's Office. In addition, please reference Council file No. 14-0518. If you have questions, feel free to contact me at (213) 978-1078.

Sincerely,

Candy Rosales, Committee Clerk Planning and Land Use Management Committee (213) 978-1078

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