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Wed, Jan 28, 2026 at 8:45 AM

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Date: Tue, 27 Jan 2026 20:36:23 -0800

Subject: Stop using City money to kill affordable housing

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Dear Councilmembers,

TLDR: say no to an out of control city attorney trying to use city money to fight against the city's own stated values and priorities!

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very truly yours,

susan Millmann

50-year Venice Resident and Homeowner (CD11)

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Resident of Mar Vista/ Culver City

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