



Public Comments Not Uploaded Attn: Candy Rosales; Opposition CEQA Appeal and Support for the Barry Building Demolition; Council File #25-1518

1 message

Allan Golad

Thu, Feb 19, 2026 at 2:44 PM

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Cc: "traci.park@lacity.org" <traci.park@lacity.org>, Craig Bullock <craig.bullock@lacity.org>

Ms. Rosales - please enter my attached letter for the above referenced matter into the public record for the upcoming PLUM Committee Meeting on February 24, 2026.

Thank you,
Allan Golad



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Planning and Land Use Management Committee
LA City Hall - 200 N. Spring St., Room 340, Los Angeles, CA 90012
Attn: Candy Rosales – PLUM Legislative Assistant (clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org)
Cc: Traci Park, Councilperson, Los Angeles Council District 11 (traci.park@lacity.org)
Craig Bullock, Planning Director – Council District 11 (craig.bullock@lacity.org)

**RE: Opposition to CEQA Appeal and Support for the Barry Building Demolition - 11973–11975
West San Vicente Boulevard, Council File #25-1518**

Honorable Members of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee:

My name is Allan Golad and I am a twenty-six-year resident of Brentwood. I am submitting this letter to you in support of denying the CEQA appeal and approving the demolition permit for the Barry Building located at 11973-11975 San Vicente Boulevard in Brentwood.

San Vicente Boulevard from Bringham Avenue to Bundy Drive is the Brentwood community's most coveted location for access to neighborhood goods and services. This pedestrian friendly street is the home to casual and fine dining establishments, a wide variety of locally and regionally owned retail stores and services, and medical/ general office buildings all surrounded by some of the most desirable multi-family and single-family residential neighborhoods in the entire country. The Barry Building, while being the most visible sign of blight on this treasured boulevard, is more importantly an avoidable calamity ready to happen.

The Barry Building has been vacant nearly a decade and has been officially determined by the City of Los Angeles to be seismically unsafe. It does not meet current earthquake safety standards and, therefore, is subject to the City's Soft-Story Ordinance. The Final Environmental Impact Report ("FEIR") determined it is neither economically feasible to make the necessary code upgrades to the building nor is it economically feasible to relocate the building. It was also determined that leaving this building standing is a safety hazard to residents, pedestrians, and businesses. There is the hazard of damage to adjacent structures and people in the event of an earthquake, and the ongoing vacancy of the building creates a very real and present ongoing public safety concern resulting from vandalism, theft, and the risk of trespass and fire.

The time for action is before you. The appeal by Angelenos for Historic Preservation offers no new facts to issues previously raised, studied, analyzed, and addressed through the EIR process and prior City decisions. Continued delays only prolong the presence of an unsafe, vacant, and continuously deteriorating building in the very heart of Brentwood.

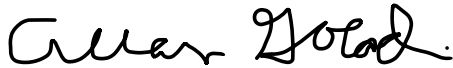
After more than a decade, the Brentwood community needs to have this matter resolved by recognizing the will of the greater Brentwood community. As you know, the FEIR for the demolition permit was approved by the Department of Building and Safety and upheld on appeal to the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners by a 3-0 vote in November 2025. I strongly recommend that the Planning and Land Use Management Committee support the findings of the LADBS and the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners, which determined

that demolition is necessary to eliminate a known safety hazard and the benefits of doing so outweigh the impacts. Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Committee:

1. Deny the CEQA appeal; and,
2. Allow the demolition approval to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration and for prioritizing the well-being and safety of our Brentwood residents and businesses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allan Golad". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line extending from the end.

Allan Golad

cc: Traci Park, Councilmember, Los Angeles Council District 11 (traci.park@lacity.org)
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RE: Opposition to CEQA Appeal – Barry Building Demolition – [11973-11975 West San Vicente Boulevard](#)

Honorable Members of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee:

I am a resident of Bel Air Knolls, a member of our HOA Board, and a member of the Board of the Brentwood Community Council. I am writing to emphatically oppose the CEQA appeal related to the demolition of the Barry Building and to urge you to deny the appeal and uphold the City's prior approvals.

The Barry Building has been vacant for years and has been officially determined by the City to be seismically unsafe. It does not meet current earthquake safety standards and is subject to the City's Soft-Story Ordinance. Leaving this building standing places nearby businesses, residents, and pedestrians at risk in the event of an earthquake. Its vacancy has also created ongoing public safety concerns for our community.

From a community perspective, this appeal does not present new facts. The issues raised have already been studied, analyzed, and addressed through the EIR process and prior City decisions. Continued delay only prolongs the presence of an unsafe and vacant building in the heart of our neighborhood.

After more than a decade, our community needs resolution. The City has already determined that demolition is necessary to eliminate a known safety hazard and that the benefits of doing so outweigh the impacts. I respectfully request that the Planning and Land Use Committee:

1. Deny the CEQA appeal;

2. Allow the demolition approval to move forward.

Thank you for your consideration and for prioritizing the safety of our community.

Sincerely,

Georgia Alkov

Resident of Bel Air Knolls and member of its HOA Board

Member of the Board of the Brentwood Community Council