

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR), [STATE CLEARINGHOUSE (SCH) NO. 2019050010], FINAL EIR, STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, MITIGATION MONITORING PROGRAM AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS, and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Vesting Tentative Tract appeals for the properties located at 754 South Hope Street and 609 - 625 West 8th Street.

Recommendations for Council action:

1. FIND, pursuant to Section 21081.6 of the Public Resources Code (PRC), that the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) reviewed and considered the information contained in the EIR prepared for this project, which includes the Draft EIR, ENV- 2017-506-EIR (SCH No. 2019050010), dated November 18, 2021, and the Final EIR dated January 2023 (8th, Grand and Hope Project EIR), as well as the whole of the administrative record.
2. CERTIFY the following:
 - a. The 8th, Grand and Hope Project EIR has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act.
 - b. The 8th, Grand and Hope Project EIR was presented to the LACPC as a decision-making body of the lead agency.
 - c. The 8th, Grand and Hope Project EIR reflects the independent judgment and analysis of the lead agency.
3. ADOPT the following:
 - a. The related and prepared 8th, Grand and Hope Project EIR Environmental Findings.
 - b. The Statement of Overriding Considerations.
 - c. The Mitigation Monitoring Program prepared for the 8th, Grand and Hope Project EIR.
4. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of Council.
5. DENY the appeals filed by 1) Coalition for Responsible Equitable Economic Development (CREED LA) (Representative: Adams, Broadwell, Joseph & Cardozo, Aidan P. Marshall; 2) Richard Becher, Digital Realty; and 3) Supporters Alliance for Environmental Responsibility (SAFER) (Representative: Lozeau Drury LLP, Marjan Abudo), and THEREBY SUSTAIN the determination of the LACPC in denying the appeals, and sustaining the decision of the Advisory Agency dated May 26, 2023; and approving, pursuant to Sections 17.03 and 17.15 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 74876-CN; for the merger and re-subdivision of three lots into one ground lot and nine airspace lots for residential and commercial condominium purposes, and above and below grade parking, as shown on map stamp-dated February 14, 2022, and a haul route for the export of approximately 89,750 cubic yards of soil, for the properties located at 754 South Hope Street and 609 - 625 West 8th Street, subject to Modified Conditions of Approval.

Applicant: Stuart Morkun, MFA 8th Grand and Hope LLC

Representative: Edgar Khalatian, Mayer Brown, LLP

Case No. VTT-74876-CN-2A

Environmental No. ENV-2017-506-EIR; SCH No. 2019050010

Related Case Nos. CPC-2017-505-TDR-ZV-SPPA-DD-SPR-1A; ZA-2021-7053-ZAI-1A

Fiscal Impact Statement: The LACPC reports that there is no General Fund impact as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

At a regular meeting held on June 18, 2024, the PLUM Committee considered a report from the LACPC relative to Vesting Tentative Tract appeals for the properties located at 754 South Hope Street and 609 - 625 West 8th Street. DCP provided an overview of the matter. A representative from Council District 14 provided comments. After an opportunity for public comment, and presentations from the Appellants and Applicant Representatives, the Committee recommended to deny the appeals, and thereby sustain the decision of the Advisory Agency dated May 26, 2023, approving the Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 74876-CN. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
LEE:	YES
YAROSLAVSKY:	YES
PADILLA:	YES
HUTT:	YES

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