

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) appeal regarding the determination that the project is categorically exempt and not subject to CEQA by the Board of Public Works (BPW) regarding the 10453 Sandal Lane Project (Project).

Recommendations for Council action:

1. DENY the appeal filed by Mr. Bruno Naylor relative to the determination by the BPW on November 13, 2024, that the Project is statutorily exempt under the California CEQA.
2. ADOPT a new CEQA determination, on a de novo basis, based on the whole of the administrative record, that the Project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines sections 15303, and that no exception to the categorical exemptions listed in CEQA Guidelines section 15300.2 applies; and, INSTRUCT the Bureau of Street Services (BSS) to file the same CEQA Notice of Exemption approved by the BPW (RA 6.7) as approved by the Council reflecting this determination.
3. ADOPT the Report and Recommendations as found in the BSS report dated March 27, 2025, attached to the Council file, as the findings of the Council for its CEQA determination and determination of the Appeal, excluding the Appeal arguments itself at Report Attachment 4 of said BSS report.
4. DETERMINE that the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) does not provide Appellant a legal right to appeal the decision to issue a protected tree permit and that Appellant's sole right to appeal exists pursuant to CEQA and LAMC 197.01, conferring a right to file an administrative appeal of a CEQA determination.
5. SUSTAIN the BPW's November 13, 2024, approval of the Permit to Remove Protected Trees and Replant (Permit No. 1-4607743941) (RA 6.1) and lift the stay on issuance of this permit and all project Permits as of the effective date of the Official Action of Council on this matter.

Fiscal Impact Statement: None submitted by the BSS. Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

SUMMARY

At the meeting held on April 1, 2025, your Energy and Environment Committee considered a BSS report relative to the CEQA appeal regarding the determination that the project is categorically exempt and not subject to CEQA by the BPW regarding the project located at 10453 Sandal Lane.

After an opportunity for public comment, the Committee moved to approve the BSS recommendations, as detailed above. This matter is now forwarded to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
NAZARIAN	YES
YAROSLAVSKY	ABSENT
JURADO	ABSENT
RAMAN	YES
PADILLA	YES

ME

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