

**CPC-2017-505-TDR-ZV-SPPA-DD-SPR CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL**

as modified by the Planning and Land Use Committee of City Council on June 18, 2024

**Entitlement Conditions**

1. **Site Development.** The use and development of the property shall be in substantial conformance with the plans submitted with the application, marked Exhibit A, stamp-dated, July 13, 2023, except as may be revised by this action. No change to the plans will be made without prior review by the Department of City Planning, and written approval by the Director of Planning, with each change identified and justified in writing. Minor deviations may be allowed in order to comply with the provisions of the Municipal Code, the subject conditions, and the intent of the subject permit authorization. The project shall be constructed in a manner consistent with the following project description:
  - a. The Project shall be limited to 580 dwelling units, and 7,499 square feet of ground floor commercial, retail and restaurant uses, totaling up to 554,927 square feet of floor area.
2. **Development Service Center.** Prior to sign-off on building permits by the Department of City Planning's Development Services Center for the project, the Department of City Planning's Major Projects Section shall confirm, via signature, that the project's building plans substantially conform to the conceptual plans stamped as Exhibit "A", as approved by the City Planning Commission.

Note to Development Services Center: The plans presented to, and approved by, the City Planning Commission (CPC) included specific architectural details that were significant to the approval of the project. Plans submitted at plan check for condition clearance shall include a signature and date from Major Projects Section planning staff to ensure plans are consistent with those presented at CPC.

**3. Transfer of Floor Area Rights**

- a. **Floor Area.** The Development shall not exceed a maximum Floor Area Ratio (FAR) of 9.25:1 and a total floor area of 554,927 square feet. The Transfer Payment and Public Benefit Payment shall be pro-rated to the amount of TFAR being acquired in the event the maximum amount of TFAR is not required. The buildable area of a Transit Area Mixed Use Project used to calculate the base floor area shall be 34,679 square feet with a 6:1 FAR. Changes to the Project that result in a 20 percent decrease in floor area, or more, shall require new entitlements. The Department of City Planning reserves the right to confirm the accuracy of the requested floor area, and to verify the calculation of the Transfer Payment and Public Benefit Payment at any time prior to the issuance of the building permit, or 24 months after the final approval of the Transfer and the expiration of any appeals or appeal period, or any extensions permitted by the Director in accordance with Section 14.5.11 of the LAMC.
- b. **TFAR Transfer Payment.** The Project is subject to and shall pay a TFAR Transfer Payment in conformance with Section 14.5.6 through 14.5.12 of the Code. Such payment shall be based on the actual amount of floor area transferred to the Project site.
  - i. The total amount of floor area authorized to be transferred from the Los Angeles Convention Center by this action shall not exceed 346,853 square feet. The total floor area of the Project Site (Receiver Site) shall not exceed 554,927 square feet.

- ii. The Applicant shall provide a TFAR Transfer Payment consistent with LAMC Section 14.5.10 in the amount of \$5 per square foot, or \$1,734,265.00 for the transfer of 346,853 square feet from the Los Angeles Convention Center located at 1201 South Figueroa Street (Donor Site) to the Project Site (Receiver Site).
- c. **Public Benefit Payment.** The Project is subject to and shall pay a Public Benefit Payment in conformance with Section 14.5.6 through 14.5.12 of the Code.
  - i. The Applicant shall provide a Public Benefit Payment consistent with LAMC Section 14.5.9 in the amount of \$9,828,451.84 provided that at least 50 percent (or \$4,914,225.92) of the Public Benefit Payment consist of cash payment by the Applicant to the Public Benefit Trust Fund. Direct provision payments shall be paid directly to the recipients and not to the City of Los Angeles. Proof shall be provided in the form of a cleared check or bank statement and a letter signed by the Executive Director of each organization. Consistent with the TFAR Ordinance, the Project shall provide 50 percent (or \$4,914,225.92) of the Public Benefit Payment by directly providing the following public benefits:
    - 1. A payment to the Los Angeles City Council District 14's Public Benefits Trust Fund for Affordable Housing, in the amount of \$4,914,225.92 (100 percent). The funds shall be utilized for construction and operation of affordable housing developments and eviction protections and rental assistance programs.
  - ii. At the time of issuance of the Certificate of Occupancy for the Project, the Applicant shall provide an update to the file from each recipient of direct provisions detailing how the money has been spent thus far.
  - iii. The Applicant shall pay the required Public Benefit Payment, less the cost of the Direct Provision of Public Benefits, in cash to the Public Benefit Trust Fund, pursuant to the terms of Transfer of Floor Area Rights Ordinance No. 181,574, Article 4.5 of the LAMC. The Public Benefit Payment proof of cash payment and direct provision of public benefits is required upon the earliest occurrence of either:
    - 1. The issuance of the building permit for the Project; or
    - 2. Twenty-four months after the final approval of the Transfer and the expiration of any appeals or appeal period; should the Applicant not make the required payments within the specified time, the subject approval shall expire, unless extended by the Director in writing.

### **Zone Variance Conditions**

- 4. **Reduced Drive Aisle Width.** Vehicular drive aisles shall be allowed at a minimum width of 24 feet.
- 5. **Parking Stall Design.** Relief shall be provided from the requirement to provide the otherwise required additional 10-inch clear space for parking stall when adjoined on their longer dimension by an obstruction.

### **Specific Plan Adjustment Conditions**

6. **Ground Floor Treatment.** The Project shall provide a minimum of 47 percent street frontage along Hope Street, 35 percent street frontage along Grand Avenue, and 67 percent frontage along 8<sup>th</sup> Street to accommodate commercial/active residential uses.
7. **Sidewalk Easement Projections.** The following building and balcony projections shall be permitted in the sidewalk easement, consistent with Exhibit A, stamp dated July 13, 2023:
  - a. Grand Avenue. The building shall be allowed to project up to 19 feet into the required sidewalk easement beginning at a height of 25 feet above the sidewalk.
  - b. Hope Street. The building shall be allowed to project up to 9 feet into the required sidewalk easement beginning at a height of 25 feet above the sidewalk.

#### **Director's Decision Conditions**

8. **Landscaping.** Prior to the issuance of a building permit, a landscape and irrigation plan shall be submitted to the Department of City Planning for approval. The landscape plan shall be in substantial conformance with the landscape plan stamped Exhibit A, dated July 13, 2023.
9. **Required Trees.** The Project shall plant 79 trees on-site and shall pay an in-lieu fee for the remaining 66 required on-site trees pursuant to LAMC Section 62.177(d).

#### **Site Plan Review Conditions**

10. **Common and Private Open Space.** Common and Private Open Space shall conform to the requirements of the LAMC and shall not be enclosed or be converted into habitable space.
11. **Tree Wells.** The minimum depth of tree wells and planters on the rooftop, any above grade open space, and above a subterranean structure shall be as follows:
  - . Minimum depth for trees shall be 42 inches.
  - a. Minimum depth for shrubs shall be 30 inches.
  - b. Minimum depth for herbaceous plantings and ground cover shall be 18 inches.
  - c. Minimum depth for an extensive green roof shall be 3 inches.

The minimum amount of soil volume for tree wells on the rooftop or any above grade open spaces shall be based on the size of the tree at maturity:

- a. 220 cubic feet for a tree 15 – 19 feet tall at maturity.
  - b. 400 cubic feet for a tree 20 - 24 feet tall at maturity.
  - c. 620 cubic feet for a medium tree or 25 – 29 feet tall at maturity.
  - d. 900 cubic feet for a large tree or 30 - 34 feet tall at maturity.
12. **Tree Maintenance.** All newly planted trees must be appropriately sized, staked and tied; provided with a watering moat; and shall be properly watered and maintained.
  13. **Lighting.** Outdoor lighting shall be designed and installed with shielding, such that the light source cannot be seen from adjacent residential properties, the public right-of-way, nor from above.
  14. **Trash and Recycling.**

- a. All trash collection and storage areas shall be located on-site and shall not be visible from the public right-of-way.
  - b. Trash receptacles shall be stored in a fully enclosed building or structure.
  - c. Trash/recycling containers shall be locked when not in use.
15. **Mechanical Equipment.** Any structures on the roof, such as air conditioning units and other equipment, shall be fully screened from view of any abutting properties and the public right-of-way. All screening shall be setback at least five feet from the edge of the building.
16. **Construction Signage.** There shall be no off-site commercial signage on construction fencing during construction.

### **Environmental Conditions**

17. **Implementation.** The Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP), attached as “Exhibit B” and part of the case file, shall be enforced throughout all phases of the Project. The Applicant shall be responsible for implementing each Project Design Features (PDF) and Mitigation Measure (MM) and shall be obligated to provide certification, as identified below, to the appropriate monitoring and enforcement agencies that each PDF and MM has been implemented. The Applicant shall maintain records demonstrating compliance with each PDF and MM. Such records shall be made available to the City upon request.
18. **Construction Monitor.** During the construction phase and prior to the issuance of building permits, the Applicant shall retain an independent Construction Monitor (either via the City or through a third-party consultant), approved by the Department of City Planning, who shall be responsible for monitoring implementation of PDFs and MMs during construction activities consistent with the monitoring phase and frequency set forth in this MMP.

The Construction Monitor shall also prepare documentation of the Applicant’s compliance with the PDFs and MMs during construction every 90 days in a form satisfactory to the Department of City Planning. The documentation must be signed by the Applicant and Construction Monitor and be included as part of the Applicant’s Compliance Report. The Construction Monitor shall be obligated to immediately report to the Enforcement Agency any non-compliance with the MMs and PDFs within two businesses days if the Applicant does not correct the non-compliance within a reasonable time of notification to the Applicant by the monitor or if the non-compliance is repeated. Such non-compliance shall be appropriately addressed by the Enforcement Agency.

19. **Substantial Conformance and Modification.** After review and approval of the final MMP by the Lead Agency, minor changes and modifications to the MMP are permitted, but can only be made subject to City approval. The Lead Agency, in conjunction with any appropriate agencies or departments, will determine the adequacy of any proposed change or modification. This flexibility is necessary in light of the nature of the MMP and the need to protect the environment. No changes will be permitted unless the MMP continues to satisfy the requirements of CEQA, as determined by the Lead Agency

The Project shall be in substantial conformance with the PDFs and MMs contained in this MMP. The enforcing departments or agencies may determine substantial conformance with PDFs and MMs in the MMP in their reasonable discretion. If the department or agency cannot find substantial conformance, a PDF or MM may be modified or deleted as follows: the enforcing department or agency, or the decision maker for a subsequent discretionary project

related approval finds that the modification or deletion complies with CEQA, including CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162 and 15164, which could include the preparation of an addendum or subsequent environmental clearance, if necessary, to analyze the impacts from the modifications to or deletion of the PDFs or MMs. Any addendum or subsequent CEQA clearance shall explain why the PDF or MM is no longer needed, not feasible, or the other basis for modifying or deleting the PDF or MM, and that the modification will not result in a new significant impact consistent with the requirements of CEQA. Under this process, the modification or deletion of a PDF or MM shall not, in and of itself, require a modification to any Project discretionary approval unless the Director of Planning also finds that the change to the PDF or MM results in a substantial change to the Project or the non-environmental conditions of approval.

**20. Tribal Cultural Resource Inadvertent Discovery.** In the event that objects or artifacts that may be tribal cultural resources are encountered during the course of any ground disturbance activities (Ground disturbance activities shall include the following: excavating, digging, trenching, plowing, drilling, tunneling, quarrying, grading, leveling, removing peat, clearing, pounding posts, augering, backfilling, blasting, stripping topsoil or a similar activity), all such activities shall temporarily cease on the Project Site until the potential tribal cultural resources are properly assessed and addressed pursuant to the process set forth below:

- Upon a discovery of a potential tribal cultural resource, the project Permittee shall immediately stop all ground disturbance activities and contact the following: (1) all California Native American tribes that have informed the City they are traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the proposed project; (2) and the Department of City Planning.
- If the City determines, pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21074 (a)(2), that the object or artifact appears to be tribal cultural resource, the City shall provide any effected tribe a reasonable period of time, not less than 14 days, to conduct a site visit and make recommendations to the Project Permittee and the City regarding the monitoring of future ground disturbance activities, as well as the treatment and disposition of any discovered tribal cultural resources.
- The project Permittee shall implement the tribe's recommendations if a qualified archaeologist, retained by the City and paid for by the project Permittee, reasonably concludes that the tribe's recommendations are reasonable and feasible.
- The project Permittee shall submit a tribal cultural resource monitoring plan to the City that includes all recommendations from the City and any affected tribes that have been reviewed and determined by the qualified archaeologist to be reasonable and feasible. The project Permittee shall not be allowed to recommence ground disturbance activities until this plan is approved by the City.
- If the project Permittee does not accept a particular recommendation determined to be reasonable and feasible by the qualified archaeologist, the project Permittee may request mediation by a mediator agreed to by the Permittee and the City who has the requisite professional qualifications and experience to mediate such a dispute. The project Permittee shall pay any costs associated with the mediation.
- The project Permittee may recommence ground disturbance activities outside of a specified radius of the discovery site, so long as this radius has been reviewed by the qualified archaeologist and determined to be reasonable and appropriate.

- Copies of any subsequent prehistoric archaeological study, tribal cultural resources study or report, detailing the nature of any significant tribal cultural resources, remedial actions taken, and disposition of any significant tribal cultural resources shall be submitted to the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) at California State University, Fullerton.

Notwithstanding the above, any information determined to be confidential in nature, by the City Attorney's office, shall be excluded from submission to the SCCIC or the general public under the applicable provisions of the California Public Records Act, California Public Resources Code, and shall comply with the City's AB 52 Confidentiality Protocols.

### **Administrative Conditions**

21. **Approval, Verification and Submittals.** Copies of any approvals, guarantees or verification of consultations, review or approval, plans, etc., as may be required by the subject conditions, shall be provided to the Planning Department for placement in the subject file.
22. **Code Compliance.** Area, height and use regulations of the zone classification of the subject property shall be complied with, except where herein conditions are more restrictive.
23. **Covenant.** Prior to the issuance of any permits relative to this matter, an agreement concerning all the information contained in these conditions shall be recorded in the County Recorder's Office. The agreement shall run with the land and shall be binding on any subsequent property owners, heirs or assign. The agreement must be submitted to the Planning Department for approval before being recorded. After recordation, a copy bearing the Recorder's number and date shall be provided to the Planning Department for attachment to the file.
24. **Definition.** Any agencies, public officials or legislation referenced in these conditions shall mean those agencies, public officials, legislation or their successors, designees or amendment to any legislation.
25. **Enforcement.** Compliance with these conditions and the intent of these conditions shall be to the satisfaction of the Planning Department and any designated agency, or the agency's successor and in accordance with any stated laws or regulations, or any amendments thereto.
26. **Building Plans.** Page 1 of the grants and all the conditions of approval shall be printed on the building plans submitted to the City Planning Department and the Department of Building and Safety.
27. **Project Plan Modifications.** Any corrections and/or modifications to the Project plans made subsequent to this grant that are deemed necessary by the Department of Building and Safety, Housing Department, or other Agency for Code compliance, and which involve a change in site plan, floor area, parking, building height, yards or setbacks, building separations, or lot coverage, shall require a referral of the revised plans back to the Department of City Planning for additional review and final sign-off prior to the issuance of any building permit in connection with said plans. This process may require additional review and/or action by the appropriate decision-making authority including the Director of Planning, City Planning Commission, Area Planning Commission, or Board.
28. **Indemnification and Reimbursement of Litigation Costs.** The Applicant shall do all of the following:

- (i) Defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City from any and all actions against the City relating to or arising out of, in whole or in part, the City's processing and approval of this entitlement, including but not limited to, an action to attack, challenge, set aside, void, or otherwise modify or annul the approval of the entitlement, the environmental review of the entitlement, or the approval of subsequent permit decisions, or to claim personal property damage, including from inverse condemnation or any other constitutional claim.
- (ii) Reimburse the City for any and all costs incurred in defense of an action related to or arising out of, in whole or in part, the City's processing and approval of the entitlement, including but not limited to payment of all court costs and attorney's fees, costs of any judgments or awards against the City (including an award of attorney's fees), damages, and/or settlement costs.
- (iii) Submit an initial deposit for the City's litigation costs to the City within 10 days' notice of the City tendering defense to the Applicant and requesting a deposit. The initial deposit shall be in an amount set by the City Attorney's Office, in its sole discretion, based on the nature and scope of action, but in no event shall the initial deposit be less than \$50,000. The City's failure to notice or collect the deposit does not relieve the Applicant from responsibility to reimburse the City pursuant to the requirement in paragraph (ii).
- (iv) Submit supplemental deposits upon notice by the City. Supplemental deposits may be required in an increased amount from the initial deposit if found necessary by the City to protect the City's interests. The City's failure to notice or collect the deposit does not relieve the Applicant from responsibility to reimburse the City pursuant to the requirement in paragraph (ii).
- (v) If the City determines it necessary to protect the City's interest, execute an indemnity and reimbursement agreement with the City under terms consistent with the requirements of this condition.

The City shall notify the applicant within a reasonable period of time of its receipt of any action and the City shall cooperate in the defense. If the City fails to notify the applicant of any claim, action, or proceeding in a reasonable time, or if the City fails to reasonably cooperate in the defense, the applicant shall not thereafter be responsible to defend, indemnify or hold harmless the City.

The City shall have the sole right to choose its counsel, including the City Attorney's office or outside counsel. At its sole discretion, the City may participate at its own expense in the defense of any action, but such participation shall not relieve the applicant of any obligation imposed by this condition. In the event the Applicant fails to comply with this condition, in whole or in part, the City may withdraw its defense of the action, void its approval of the entitlement, or take any other action. The City retains the right to make all decisions with respect to its representations in any legal proceeding, including its inherent right to abandon or settle litigation.

For purposes of this condition, the following definitions apply:

"City" shall be defined to include the City, its agents, officers, boards, commissions, committees, employees, and volunteers.

"Action" shall be defined to include suits, proceedings (including those held under alternative dispute resolution procedures), claims, or lawsuits. Actions includes actions, as defined herein, alleging failure to comply with any federal, state or local law.

Nothing in the definitions included in this paragraph are intended to limit the rights of the City or the obligations of the Applicant otherwise created by this condition.