



# LOS ANGELES CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

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## LETTER OF DETERMINATION

**MAILING DATE: OCTOBER 26, 2023**

**Case No. CPC-2022-5401-CA; CPC-2023-3653-ZC**

Council District: All

CEQA: ENV-2022-5286-EIR

Plan Area: Citywide

**Project Site:** Citywide

The Proposed Transportation Communication Network (TCN) Supplemental Use District (SUD) is dispersed Citywide on 46 parcels owned by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro). The parcels can be contiguous and non-contiguous and are predominately adjacent to freeways and major roads within the City including, but not limited to, the 2, 5, 10, 90, 110, 101, 118, 170 and 405 freeways. The TCN SUD includes individual parcels in the communities of Atwater Village, Boyle Heights, Downtown, Echo Park, Encino, Glassell Park, Granada Hills, Hollywood, North Hollywood, Pacoima, Palms, Sherman Oaks, South LA, Sun Valley, Sylmar, Van Nuys, West LA, and Westchester.

**Applicant:** City of Los Angeles

At its meeting of **September 14, 2023**, the Los Angeles City Planning Commission took the actions below in conjunction with the approval of the following Code Amendment:

The proposed Metro Transportation Communication Network (TCN) Ordinance would establish a new TCN Supplemental Use District (SUD) permitting 46 TCN Structures and 80 digital display off-site signs on specific Metro-owned properties Citywide. A Zone Change is proposed to establish the TCN SUD.

1. **Found**, based on the independent judgment of the decision maker, after consideration of the whole of the administrative record, the Project was assessed in the previously certified Environmental Impact Report No. ENV-2022-5286-EIR (State Clearinghouse No. 2022040363), certified by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Board of Directors on January 26, 2023; and pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15162 and 15164 and the Addendum, dated August 2023, that no major revisions to the EIR are required and no subsequent EIR or negative declaration is required for approval of the Project;
2. **Approved and Recommended** that City Council **adopt** the proposed Ordinance, dated September 14, 2023, as revised by the City Planning Commission to include:
  - a. A minimum distance requirement between signs resulting in the removal of one sign (APN: 5409021902);
  - b. Removal of two signs due to proximity to a State Park (Assessor's Parcel Number: 5436033906, APN: 5442001900);
  - c. A public art requirement for specific single-faced TCN structures; and
  - d. Changes in the takedown provisions relative to the building permit requirement and the number of signs to be removed prior to the approval of Freeway Facing sign structures;

3. **Approved and Recommended** that the City Council **adopt** the Zone Change to permit the establishment of a contiguous and non-contiguous Supplemental Use District, called the Transportation Communication Network, on property owned by Metro, as revised by the City Planning Commission to remove three proposed locations (APN: 5436033906; and APNs: 5442001900 and 5409021902);
4. **Recommended** that the City Council **instruct** the City Attorney to incorporate the proposed amendments herein to Article 8 of Chapter 1A (New Zoning Code) as part of the ongoing Form and Legality review underway on CPC-2014-1582-CA and Council File 22-0617 for consideration by the City Council before final adoption;
5. **Adopted** the Staff Recommendation Report as the Commission's Report on the subject; and
6. **Adopted** the attached Amended Findings.

The vote proceeded as follows:

Moved: Millman  
Second: Noonan  
Ayes: Gold, Leung, Lawshe, Zamora  
Absent: Cabildo, Choe, Mack

**Vote: 6 – 0**

  
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Cecilia Lamas, Commission Executive Assistant II  
Los Angeles City Planning Commission

Fiscal Impact Statement: There is no General Fund impact as administrative costs are recovered through fees.

**Effective Date/Appeals:** The decision of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission is final and not appealable.

If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

Attachments: Proposed Ordinance, Zone Change Ordinance, Amended Findings

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