

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a request for an Ordinance to amend the Westwood Village Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 176177), and include additional land use regulatory controls.

Recommendation for Council action, pursuant to Motion (Koretz – Harris-Dawson):

INSTRUCT the Department of City Planning (DCP), with the assistance of the City Attorney, to prepare and present an Ordinance to amend the Westwood Village Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 176177), as requested on September 11, 2019 (Council file No. 18-1101), and include the following additional land use regulatory controls:

- a. Change of Use and Review of Signage: Amend project review process for changes of use and signs to administrative clearances (sign-offs) so as to assure consistency with the intent of the Specific Plan in a more streamlined manner that ensures predictability and a clear process for applicants and the community at large.
- b. Parking Exceptions for Changes of Use: Amend parking requirements and consider measures that enable new businesses without triggering parking regulations that function as a barrier.
- c. New Construction: Default to citywide parking requirements, and explore a shared parking program, inasmuch as there is an existing Los Angeles Department of Transportation parking structure located in the Westwood Village.
- d. Food Uses: Revise definitions of food related establishments; the restrictions on the types and number of such establishments.
- e. Location Restrictions: Analyze and explore revising or removing restrictions on caps for establishments, such as food uses and financial services.
- f. Policy: Changes and amendments shall preserve the pedestrian scale of the Westwood Village, ensuring it continues to be oriented to the pedestrian and not the vehicle.

Fiscal Impact Statement: 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 a Special Meeting held on August 10, 2021, the PLUM Committee considered Motion (Koretz – Harris-Dawson relative to instructing the DCP, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to prepare and present an Ordinance to amend the Westwood Village Specific Plan (Ordinance No. 176177), and include additional land use regulatory controls. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve the recommendation contained in the Motion, as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for its consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

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<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>VOTE</u>
HARRIS-DAWSON:	YES
CEDILLO:	YES
BLUMENFIELD:	YES
RIDLEY-THOMAS:	YES
LEE:	ABSENT

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