



August 16, 2021

Planning and Land Use Management Committee, Los Angeles City Council
Room 1010, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Attn: Armando Bencomo - Legislative Assistant clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org

Re: CF 21-3071 and 21-0371-S1 (Scheduled for the August 17, 2021 meeting)

Dear Honorable Members,

Thank you for your consideration of this important community amenity. In decision letters dated October 29, 2020, the Zoning Administrator approved Plan Approvals to allow the sale of alcohol for on-site only consumption in conjunction with the newly opened and operational hotel and conference center at 1550 North San Pablo Street on the University of Southern California's (USC) Health Sciences Campus.

The Hyatt House Hotel and USC Conference Center serve hospital patients, their visiting family members and loved ones, medical professionals, and local community members. Hyatt House is one of the only extended stay hotels of its kind on the Eastside and, together with the Conference Center, provides new facilities not only for USC, but also for community serving special events.

On July 22, 2021, Councilmember de León's office convened a meeting between the Appellants and Applicants to discuss the currently pending appeals. The Hyatt House and USC have offered additional voluntary conditions including limiting local parking impacts by installing "No USC Parking" signs at Legacy LA, ensuring all windows remain closed while music is playing in the adjacent interior space, except for cleaning or maintenance, submitting to the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) a notice volunteering to limit the evening sale of alcohol to 12AM except for sales intended for hotel room consumption and establishing a working group as soon as possible following approvals.

USC appreciates that the Appellants have additional concerns regarding the overall Health Sciences Campus and its relationship with the surrounding community. The University is committed to partnering with the Council Office and community members, including the Appellants, to ensure a shared vision for the future of the campus. We are proud to be part of the Eastside community and look forward to a continued collaboration with all our neighbors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "S. Garrison", is positioned above the printed name.

Samuel Garrison
Senior Vice President
USC University Relations

CC: The Honorable Kevin de León