

EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) and RELATED CEQA FINDINGS, and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to a Specific Plan Amendment for the property located at 1 Loyola Marymount University (LMU) Drive.

Recommendation for Council action:

1. FIND, 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 (EIR) No. ENV-2008-1342-EIR, certified on February 25, 2011; and pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15162 and 15164 and the Addendum, dated September 2021, that no major revisions to the EIR are required and no subsequent EIR, or negative declaration is required for approval of the project.
2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission (LACPC) as the Findings of Council.
3. REQUEST the City Attorney to prepare and present an Ordinance for a Specific Plan Amendment to the LMU Specific Plan to modify the previously approved floor area for Academic/Administrative, Residential, and Athletic Indoor uses and to allow for subsequent adjustments in the distribution of floor area among these uses; the proposed Amendment will permit the retention, renovation, use, and/or change the use of the existing sports arena (Gersten Pavilion), in conjunction with an updated Traffic Demand Management Plan; the Amendment will continue to permit the construction of a new sports arena on Campus, as was previously disclosed and approved; the Amendment will also require that LMU establish and maintain a dedicated compliance officer to further enhance communications with the Westchester community; the Amendment will not change the maximum permitted floor area or the maximum total student enrollment, faculty, staff, and on Campus residents; for the property located at 1 LMU Drive

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Case No. CPC-2019-4651-SP

Environmental No. ENV-2008-1342-EIR-ADD1

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

Community Impact Statement: None submitted

Summary:

At a special meeting held on May 31, 2022, the PLUM Committee considered a Specific Plan Amendment for the property located at 1 LMU Drive. After providing an opportunity for public comment, the Committee recommended to approve a Specific Plan Amendment as detailed above. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE



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

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