## PLANNING DEPARTMENT TRANSMITTAL TO THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

CITY PLANNING CASE:	ENVIRONMENTAL CASE:		COUNCIL DISTRICT:	
VTT-83060-HCA ZA-2021-9385-ZV-DB-VHCA	ENV-2021-9384-SCPE		11 – Bonin	
RELATED CASE NOS.		COUNCIL FILE NO:		
⊠ N/A		⊠ N/A		
PROJECT ADDRESS / LOCATION:				
3984-3988 South Meier Street and 12740-12750 West Zanja Street				
APPLICANT:	TELEPHONE NUMBER:		EMAIL ADDRESS:	
Triangle Centre LP				
APPLICANT'S REPRESENTATIVE:	TELEPHONE NUMBER:		EMAIL ADDRESS:	
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ITEMS FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION (IE. ENTITLEMENTS, LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS):				

Sustainable Communities Project Exemption (SCPE)

This item is to request that the City Council consider and determine whether the proposed project, identified as Planning Case Numbers: ZA-2021-9385-ZV-DB-VHCA and VTT-83060-HCA, qualifies for a Sustainable Communities Project Exemption pursuant to Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 21155.1.

PRC Section 21155.1 provides that projects are statutorily exempt from CEQA if a hearing is held by the City Council and the City Council finds, based on the whole of the administrative record, the project qualifies as a transit priority project, as defined by PRC Section 21155(b), and further meets all of the criteria set forth in PRC Section 21155.1 (a) and (b) and

one of the criteria of subdivision (c). If the City Council finds, after conducting a public hearing, all of the above, then the project is declared to be a Sustainable Communities Project and shall be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Planning has reviewed the Sustainable Communities Project Exemption (SCPE) that was prepared for the proposed project and is recommending that the City Council consider and determine that the project is exempt from CEQA pursuant to PRC Section 21155.1. FINAL ENTITLMENTS NOT ADVANCING FOR CITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION: (UNAPPEALED OR NON-APPEALABLE ITEMS) ⊠ N/A **ITEMS APPEALED:** ⋈ N/A **REVISED: ATTACHMENTS: REVISED: ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT:** □ Letter of Determination ☐ Categorical Exemption (CE) П (Notice of Exemption) ☐ Findings of Fact ☐ Statutory Exemption (SE) ☐ Staff Recommendation Report (Notice of Exemption) □ Conditions of Approval ☐ Negative Declaration (ND) □ T Conditions ☐ Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) □ Proposed Ordinance ☐ Environmental Impact Report (EIR) ☐ Zone Change Map and Ordinance ☐ Mitigation Monitoring Program (MMP) ☐ GPA Resolution **☒** Sustainable Communities **Project Exemption (SCPE)** ☐ Land Use Map ☐ Sustainable Communities ☐ Exhibit A – Plans **Environmental Assessment (SCEA)** ☐ Mailing List ☐ Sustainable Communities **Environmental Impact Report (SCEIR)** ☐ Interested Parties List □ Appendices □ Appeal ☐ Other: □ Development Agreement ☐ Site Photographs ☐ Other: **NOTES / INSTRUCTIONS:** Enclosure: Sustainable Communities Project CEQA Exemption – Case No. ENV-2021-9384-SCPE Attachments: A - Project Site Plan B – SCAG General Plan Land Use Designations C – Forecasted Westside Cities Regional Development Types (2040)

D – Forecasted Los Angeles Subregion Regional Development Types (2040)

E – SCAG High Quality Transit Area (HQTA)—2016 with 2045 F – SCAG Transit Priority Area (TPA)—Year 2016 with 2045

G – 2020-2045 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy Consistency Analysis

- H Will Serve Letters
- I Preliminary Endangerment Assessment
- J Title 24 Efficiency Report
- K Southern California Association of Governments 2020 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy EIR Applicable Mitigation Measures
- L Architectural Plan Set
- M Cultural Resources Investigation
- N Geotechnical Investigation
- O Bus Transit Schedules
- P Tree Report

## **Actions for the City Council:**

The City of Los Angeles finds, upon a review of the entire administrative record, including the SCPE No. ENV-2021-9384-SCPE, and all comments received, that:

- The Proposed Project qualifies as a transit priority project pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21155(b), which by definition means that the Proposed Project is consistent with the general use designations, density, building intensity, and applicable policies specified for the project area in the Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS) prepared by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21155(a); and contains more than 50% residential; provides a minimum net density greater than 20 units an acre; and is within one-half mile of a major transit stop or high-quality transit corridor included in a regional transportation plan per PRC Section 21155(b); and
- Finds that all criteria in 21155.1(a) and (b) are met, including environmental criteria, land use criteria, and at least one criterion (affordable housing) in PRC Section 21155.1(c).

Therefore, the City of Los Angeles finds that the Proposed Project qualifies as a transit priority project that is declared to be a Sustainable Communities Project and is therefore exempt from CEQA, in accordance with PRC Section 21155.1.

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□ N/A			
FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT:			
□ Yes	□ No		
*If determination states administrative costs are recovered through fees, indicate "Yes."			
PLANNING COMMISSION:			
☐ City Planning Commission (CPC)	□ North Valley Area Planning Commission		
☐ Cultural Heritage Commission (CHC)	☐ South LA Area Planning Commission		
☐ Central Area Planning Commission	☐ South Valley Area Planning Commission		
☐ East LA Area Planning Commission	☐ West LA Area Planning Commission		
☐ Harbor Area Planning Commission			
PLANNING COMMISSION HEARING DATE:	COMMISSION VOTE:		
N/A	N/A		
LAST DAY TO APPEAL:	DATE APPEALED:		
N/A	N/A		
TRANSMITTED BY:	TRANSMITTAL DATE:		
Linda Lou	December 5, 2022		