CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION and PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT (PLUM) COMMITTEE REPORT relative to Revocation appeals filed for the discontinuance of the magazine/tobacco shop with tobacco sales, known as the Rasta Smoke Shop, located at 4058 South Crenshaw Boulevard.

Recommendations for Council action, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE MAYOR

- 1. FIND, based on the whole of the administrative record, as supported by the justification prepared and found in the environmental case file, the project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15321, of the State's CEQA Guidelines for enforcement actions by regulatory agencies and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that any exceptions contained in Section 15300.2 of the State CEQA Guidelines regarding location, cumulative impacts, significant effects or unusual circumstances, scenic highways, or hazardous waste sites, or historical resources applies.
- 2. ADOPT the FINDINGS of the Department of City Planning (DCP), Zoning Administrator, as the Findings of Council.
- 3. RESOLVE TO DENY THE APPEALS filed by Amjad Ibrahim, Rasta Smoke Shop and Mini Mart, and Rosalie Odell, and THEREBY SUSTAIN the determination of the Zoning Administrator on Case No. DIR-2021-1780-RV-1A, pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 12.27.1, in requiring the imposition of Condition Nos. 1 (Fee), 2 (Covenant Recording), 3 (Acknowledgment of New Operator), and 4 (Plan Approval for New Operator), pursuant to Section 12.27.1 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, for the discontinuance of the magazine/tobacco shop with tobacco sales, known as the Rasta Smoke Shop and any similar land uses at the property, located at 4058 South Crenshaw Boulevard with additional terms and conditions, listed in the Letter of Determination dated December 6, 2021, attached to the Council file.

Applicant: City of Los Angeles, Office of Zoning Administration

Case No. DIR-2021-1780-RV-1A

Environmental No. ENV-2021-1781-CE

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: None submitted by the DCP. 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 regular meeting held on April 18, 2023, the PLUM Committee considered a report from the DCP and Revocation appeals relative to the discontinuance of the magazine/tobacco shop with tobacco sales, known as the Rasta Smoke Shop, located at 4058 South Crenshaw Boulevard. DCP staff provided an overview of the matter. Councilmember Harris-Dawson provided comments in support of denying the appeal. After an opportunity for public comment, and presentations by the Appellants, the Committee recommended to deny the appeals and thereby sustain the Zoning Administrator's determination in requiring the imposition of Condition Nos. 1 (Fee), 2 (Covenant Recording), 3 (Acknowledgement of New Operator), and 4 (Plan Approval for New Operator), included in the Letter of Determination dated December 6, 2021, for the discontinuance of the magazine/tobacco shop with tobacco sales, known as

the Rasta Smoke Shop and any similar land uses at the property, with additional terms and conditions. This matter is now submitted to the Council for consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

VOTE
YES

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