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To the Public Works Committee
Of the Honorable Council
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JUL 19 2010

Council File No. 06-2469 -
Council District: 15 -
Contact Person: Ken Alson
Phone #(213) 977-8951.

Public Works Committee

Transmittal:

Transmitted herewith, is the City Engineer's report dated JUL 19 2010
for Council review and approval of:

VACATION APPROVAL - VAC-E1401013 - Council File No. 06-2469 -
T-Shaped Alley Southerly of 108th Street and Easterly of Clovis
Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Adopt the findings by the City Engineer on the attached City Engineer report relative to initiating vacation proceedings. This vacation imposed all of the mitigation measures that are within the control of the City, as described in the Environmental Impact Report that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that the other mitigation measures that are not within the authority of the City, have been or should be imposed as set forth in the findings of the Los Angeles Unified School District, dated April 4, 1988, a copy of which is attached and incorporated.
2. Adopt the City Engineer report dated JUL 19 2010 with the conditions contained therein.
3. Fiscal Impact Statement:

To date, an estimated \$20,610.87 in charges have been expended in the investigation and processing of this proceeding. Since Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code exempts all governmental agencies from payment of fees, the processing of this report will be absorbed by the Bureau of Engineering.



4. That there is a public benefit to this vacation. Upon vacation of the alleys, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the rights-of-way. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved alley easements.
5. There were no objections to the vacation submitted for this project.

Attachment:



Edmond Yew, Manager
Land Development Group

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Office of the City Engineer
Los Angeles, California

To the Public Works Committee
Of the Honorable Council
Of the City of Los Angeles

JUL 19 2010

Honorable Members:

C. D. No. 15

SUBJECT:

Vacation Approval - VAC-E1401013 - Council File No. 06-2469 -
T-Shaped Alley Southerly of 108th Street and Easterly of Clovis
Avenue.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- A. That street vacation proceedings pursuant to the Public Streets, Highways and Service Easements Vacation Law be instituted for the vacation of the public rights-of-way indicated below and shown colored blue on the attached Exhibit "B":

The T-shaped alley southerly of 108th Street and easterly of Clovis Avenue.
- B. That the vacation of the area shown colored orange on Exhibit "B", be denied.
- C. That the Council find that it has imposed all of the mitigation measures that are within the control of the City, as described in the Final Environmental Impact Report that are associated with the impacts of the street vacation and that the other mitigation measures that are not within the authority of the City, have been or should be imposed as set forth in the findings of the Los Angeles Unified School District, dated April 4, 1988, a copy of which is attached and incorporated.
- D. That there is a public benefit to this vacation. Upon vacation of the alleys, the City is relieved of its ongoing obligation to maintain the rights-of-way. In addition, the City is relieved of any potential liability that might result from continued ownership of the involved alley easements.
- E. That, in conformance with Section 556 of the City Charter, the Council make the findings that the vacation is in substantial conformance with the purposes, intent and provisions of the General Plan.

- F. That, in conformance with Section 892 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the Council determine that the vacation areas are not needed for nonmotorized transportation facilities.
- G. That, in conformance with Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code, the Council determines that the vacation areas are not necessary for present or prospective public use.
- H. That the Council adopt the City Engineer's report with the conditions contained therein.
- I. That the City Clerk schedule the vacation for public hearing at least 30 days after the Public Works Committee approval so the City Clerk and Engineering can process the public notification pursuant to Section 8324 of the California Streets and Highways Code.
- J. That the payment of fees for the vacation proceedings be waived in accordance with Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code which exempts all governmental agencies.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

To date, an estimated \$20,610.87 in charges have been expended in the investigation and processing of this proceeding. Since Section 7.46 of the Administrative Code exempts all governmental agencies from payment of fees, the processing of this report will be absorbed by the Bureau of Engineering. Maintenance of the public easement by City Forces will be eliminated.

NOTIFICATION:

That notification of the time and place of the Public Works Committee and the City Council meetings to consider this request be sent to:

1. Los Angeles Unified School District
Attn: Mike Scinto
1055 W. 7th Street, 10th Floor
Los Angeles, CA 90017
2. Alberto Lopez
1130 E. 108th Street
Los Angeles, CA 90059

3. City of Los Angeles
Attn: General Services, Asset Management Div.
111 E. First Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012
4. Mohsen Falakami
3512 W. Washington Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90018
5. Watts Labor Community Action Committee
11401 S. Central Avenue
Los Angeles, CA 90059
6. Southern Pacific Railroad
13181 Crossroads Parkway North, Suite 500
City of Industry, CA 91746-3468
7. Los Angeles Flood Control District
Attn: Mr. Ed Teran
900 S. Fremont Avenue
Alhambra, CA 91803

CONDITIONS FOR STREET VACATION:

The Conditions specified in this report are established as the requirements to be complied with by the petitioner for this vacation. Vacation proceedings in which the conditions have not been completed within 2 years of the Council's action on the City Engineer's report, and without proper time extension, shall be terminated, with no further Council action.

1. That a suitable map, approved by the Central District Engineering Office, delineating the limits including bearings and distances of the area to be vacated be submitted to the Land Development Group of the Bureau of Engineering prior to preparation of the Resolution to Vacate.
2. That a suitable legal description describing the area being vacated and all easements to be reserved, including copies of all necessary supporting documentation, be submitted to the Land Development Group of the Bureau of Engineering prior to preparation of the Resolution to Vacate.
3. That title reports indicating the vestee of the underlying fee title interest in the areas to be vacated be submitted to the City Engineer.

4. That any fee interest of the areas being vacated which may be vested in the City of Los Angeles be acquired.
5. That the following improvements be constructed adjoining the petitioner's properties in a manner satisfactory to the City Engineer:
 - a) Widen the existing 10-foot wide sidewalk along the westerly side of Central Avenue over the newly dedicated 2-foot area or obtain a revocable permit to maintain the existing fencing along the back of existing sidewalk.
 - b) Construct an access ramp for the handicapped at the southeast corner of the intersection of Clovis Avenue and 108th Street.
 - c) Repair or replace any off-grade/broken curb, gutter or sidewalk along the easterly side of Clovis Avenue.
 - d) Close the alley intersection with Clovis Avenue with standard street improvements.
 - e) Close any unused driveways along the easterly side of Clovis Avenue.
 - f) That the petitioner make provisions to collect or divert any surface flows that may impound within the areas to be vacated.
6. That arrangements be made with the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works and the Department of Water and Power for the removal of any affected facilities or the providing of easements or rights for the protection of any affected facilities to remain in place.
7. That satisfactory arrangements be made with the City Engineer for the relocation or abandonment of the existing sewer and storm drain facilities located within the areas to be vacated, unless easements are reserved from the vacation for their protection.
8. That consents to the vacation be secured from all owners of property adjoining the areas to be vacated.
9. That plot plans be submitted to the Fire Department for their review and approval.

10. That street lighting facilities be installed as may be required by the Bureau of Street Lighting.
11. That street trees be planted and tree wells be installed as may be required by the Street Tree Division of the Bureau of Street Services.

TRANSMITTAL:

Application dated June 3, 2009, from Mike Scinto.

DISCUSSION:

Request: The petitioner, Mike Scinto of the Los Angeles Unified School District, owners or proposed owner of the properties shown outlined in yellow on Exhibit "B", is requesting the vacation of the public alley areas shown colored blue and orange. The purpose of the vacation request is to consolidate the proposed vacation areas with the adjoining properties to allow for the construction of the Maxine Waters School site.

This vacation procedure is being proposed under Council File No. 01-1459 adopted by the Los Angeles City Council on March 5, 2002.

Resolution to Vacate: The Resolution to Vacate will be recorded upon compliance with the conditions established for this vacation.

Previous Council Action: The City Council on October 18, 2006, Adopted a Rule 16 Motion initiating street vacation proceedings. On July 7, 2007, the council conditionally adopted the City Engineer's report dated March 16, 2007, and deleted the conditions requiring dedication and widening on 108th Street. Since the petitioners failed to complete all of the conditions of the vacation within the allotted time, the vacation expired. The City Council on June 30, 2010, under Council File No. 06-2469 adopted a new Rule 16 Motion initiating street vacation proceedings.

Zoning and Land Use: The properties adjoining the proposed areas to be vacated to the north and to the south of the east/west leg of the T-shaped alley and to the east of the north/south portion are zoned MR1-1 and M2-1 and are developed with school buildings.

Description of Areas to be Vacated: The areas sought to be vacated is the T-shaped alley southerly of 108th Street and easterly of Clovis Avenue. The alleys are dedicated 10 feet wide. The east/west alley and that portion of the north/south alley northerly of the east/west alley to be vacated are improved.

Adjoining Streets: 108th Street is an improved secondary highway dedicated 80 and 83 feet wide with a 28-foot wide half roadway and 12-foot wide sidewalks on each side. Central Avenue is an improved major highway-class II dedicated 100 feet wide with a 40-foot wide half roadway and a 10-foot wide sidewalk. Clovis Avenue is an improved local street dedicated 64 feet wide with a 22-foot wide half roadway, curbs, gutters and sidewalk.

Surrounding Properties: The adjoining owners to the proposed vacation site have been notified of the proposed street vacation.

Effects of Vacation on Circulation and Access: The proposed vacation of the T-shaped alley southerly of 108th Street and easterly of Clovis Avenue should not have any adverse effects on circulation since the alleys are both presently withdrawn from public use. This vacation will include a portion of the alley not adjacent to the proposed Los Angeles Unified School District school site. Los Angeles Unified School District would need to obtain consents from those property owners prior to finalizing the vacation process.

The alleys are not needed for the use of pedestrians, bicyclists or equestrians.

Objections to the Vacation: There were no objections to the vacation submitted for this project.

Reversionary Interest: No determination of the underlying fee interest of the vacation areas have been made as to title or reversionary interest.

Dedications and Improvements: It will be necessary that the petitioner provides for the dedications and improvements as outlined under Conditions.

Sewers and Storm Drains: There are existing sewer and storm drain facilities within the areas proposed to be vacated.

Public Utilities: The Department of Water and Power did not respond to the Bureau of Engineering's referral letter dated August 10, 2006.

Tract Map: Since the required dedications can be acquired by separate instruments and the necessary improvements can be constructed under separate permit processes, the requirement for the recordation of a new tract map could be waived.

City Department of Transportation: The Department of Transportation in its communication dated October 9, 2009 states that based on traffic considerations, the vacation is not opposed if, all abutting property owners are in agreement with the proposed vacation. In addition, that through the requirements of a tract map or by other means, provisions are made for (1) lot consolidation, (2) driveway and access approval by the Department of Transportation, (3) any additional dedications and improvements necessary to bring all adjacent streets into conformance with the City's Standard Street Dimensions.

City Fire Department: The Fire Department states that the subject property has been investigated by their members and that they recommend that plot plans be submitted for their review and approval.

Department of City Planning: The Department of City Planning in their letter dated September 11, 2009 finds that the proposed vacation is consistent with the provisions of the General Plan.

Conclusion: The vacation of the public alley areas as shown colored blue on the attached Exhibit "B" could be conditionally approved based upon the following:

1. They are unnecessary for present or prospective public use.
2. They are not needed for vehicular circulation or access.
3. They are not needed for nonmotorized transportation purposes.

The area shown colored orange should not be vacated because it is needed for public street purposes.

Report prepared by:

LAND DEVELOPMENT GROUP

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Civil Engineering Associate III
(213) 977-6192

Respectfully submitted,


Edmond Yew, Manager
Land Development Group
Bureau of Engineering

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APPLICATION FOR VACATION OF PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY

DATE: June 3, 2009 ORIGINAL - (No copies or faxes)

PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION:

- (1) Area proposed to be vacated is: Alley
(Street/Avenue/Boulevard/alley/walk: NS/E/Wor)
and is located between:
Clovis Avenue and Central Avenue (North of 108th)
(Street, Avenue, Boulevard or other limit) (Street, Avenue, Boulevard or other limit)

- (2) The vacation area lies within or is shown on:

(a) Engineering District: (check appropriately)

☒ Central ☐ Harbor ☐ Valley ☐ West Los Angeles

(b) Council District No. 15

(c) District Map No. 88,5A209

(d) Thomas Guide Reference: 704 E6
(Page No.) (Letter/Number at Intersection pt.)

- (3) Area (in sq. ft.) of the proposed vacation area is approx. 6,177 sq. ft.
If over 10,000 sq. ft. of buildable area, the vacation is not categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and will require a Notice of Determination. Contact a Vacation staff member to discuss the effect of this on the processing of your application prior to submittal. If the vacation is located within a Coastal Development Zone, prior approval from the California Coastal Commission will be required before the vacation application can be submitted.

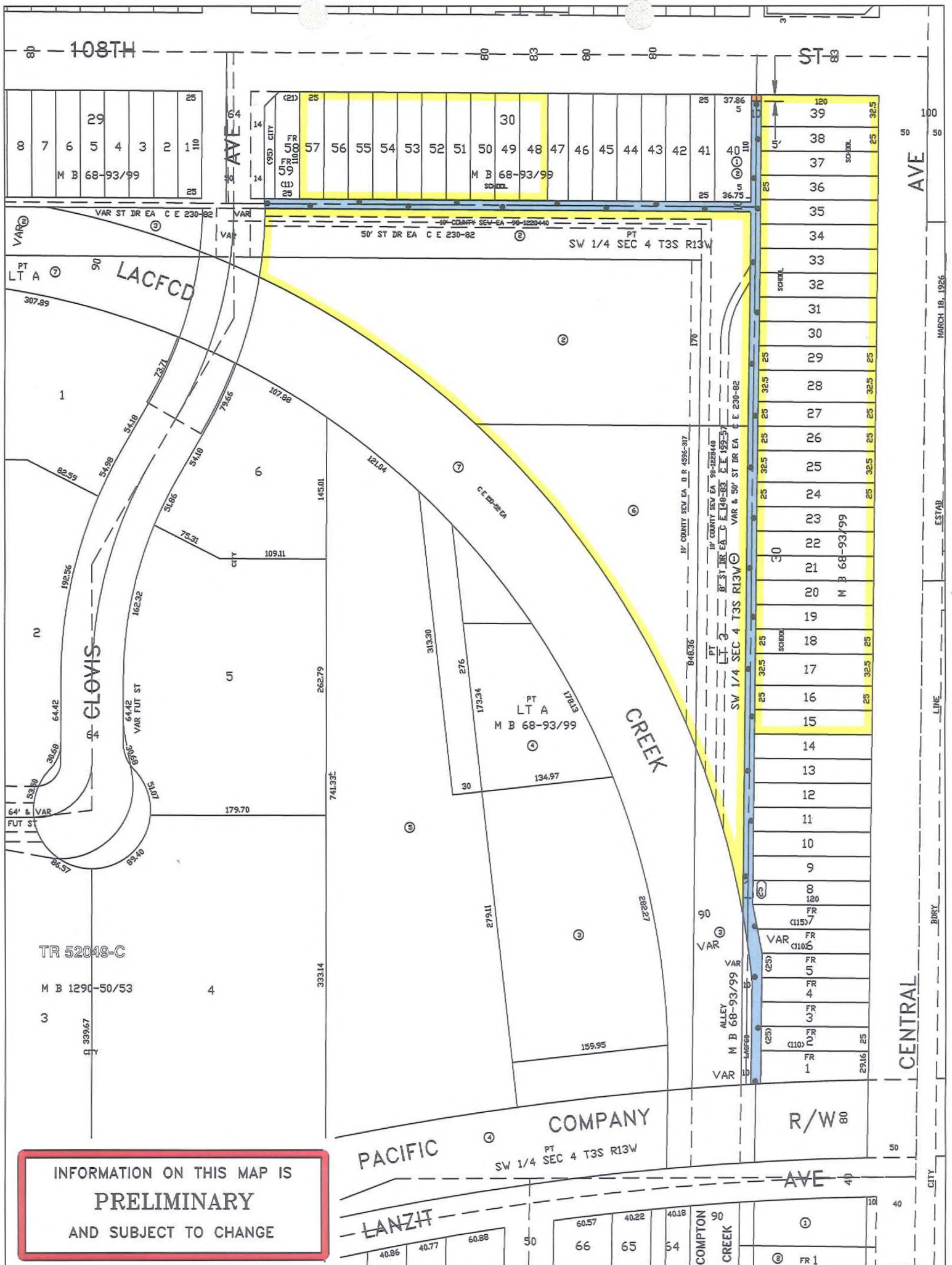
- (4) Purpose of vacation (future use of vacation area) is:
to allow for the construction of Maxine Waters school site
(LAUSD)

- (5) Vacation is in conjunction with: (Check appropriately)

☐ Revocable Permit ☐ Tract Map ☐ Parcel Map ☐ Zone Change
☐ Other _____

PETITIONER / APPLICANT:

- (6) Petitioner(s): Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
Print Name(s) of Petitioner(s) in full - Name or Company Name
Signature(s): [Signature]
If Company, Name and Title: Michael Scinto, Director of Project Support
- (7) Mailing Address: 1055 W. 7th Street, 10th Floor, Los Angeles, CA 90017
(Address, City, State, Zip Code)
- (8) Daytime phone number of petitioner is: (213) 972-5105
FAX number: _____
E-mail number: mike.scinto@lausd.net
- (9) Petitioner is: (check appropriately) ☐ Owner OR ☐ Representative of Owner



WORK ORDER NO. VAC- E1401013
COUNCIL FILE NO. 06-2469
COUNCIL DIST. 15 DIV. INDEX 1450
ENG. DIST. HARBOR T.G. 704-E6
DISTRICT MAP 088.5 A 209



DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS
BUREAU OF ENGINEERING
CITY OF LOS ANGELES

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

FOR
WATTS SKILLS CENTER

PREPARED FOR THE
LOS ANGELES
UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



THE
PLANNING
CENTER

ONE WILSHIRE BLVD. #2900
LOS ANGELES, CA 90017

2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project proposes the construction and institutional and educational facilities within the Watts area of Los Angeles. The proposed project site is located within the southwest quadrant of the intersection of Central Avenue and 108th Street. It is bordered on the south and west by a cemented flood control channel that arcs from 108th Street west of Clovis towards the intersection of Lanzit Avenue and 108th Street. Figure 1 illustrates the regional location of the site Figure 2 is a Vicinity Map of the site.

The project will be constructed on 7.6 acres of land, of which the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) has already acquired 5.6 acres. Two acres on the south side of 108th Street and the on the east side of Central Avenue have yet to be acquired by the LAUSD.

The project proposes improvements to an existing 2-story, 45,000 square foot building and the construction of a 2-story 25,000 square foot industrial training facility, a 1-story, 14,000 square foot administrative building, a 1-story, 2,000 square foot child care facility, and a social court. Several large parking areas are included in the plan. Two portable buildings are proposed to be located on-site.

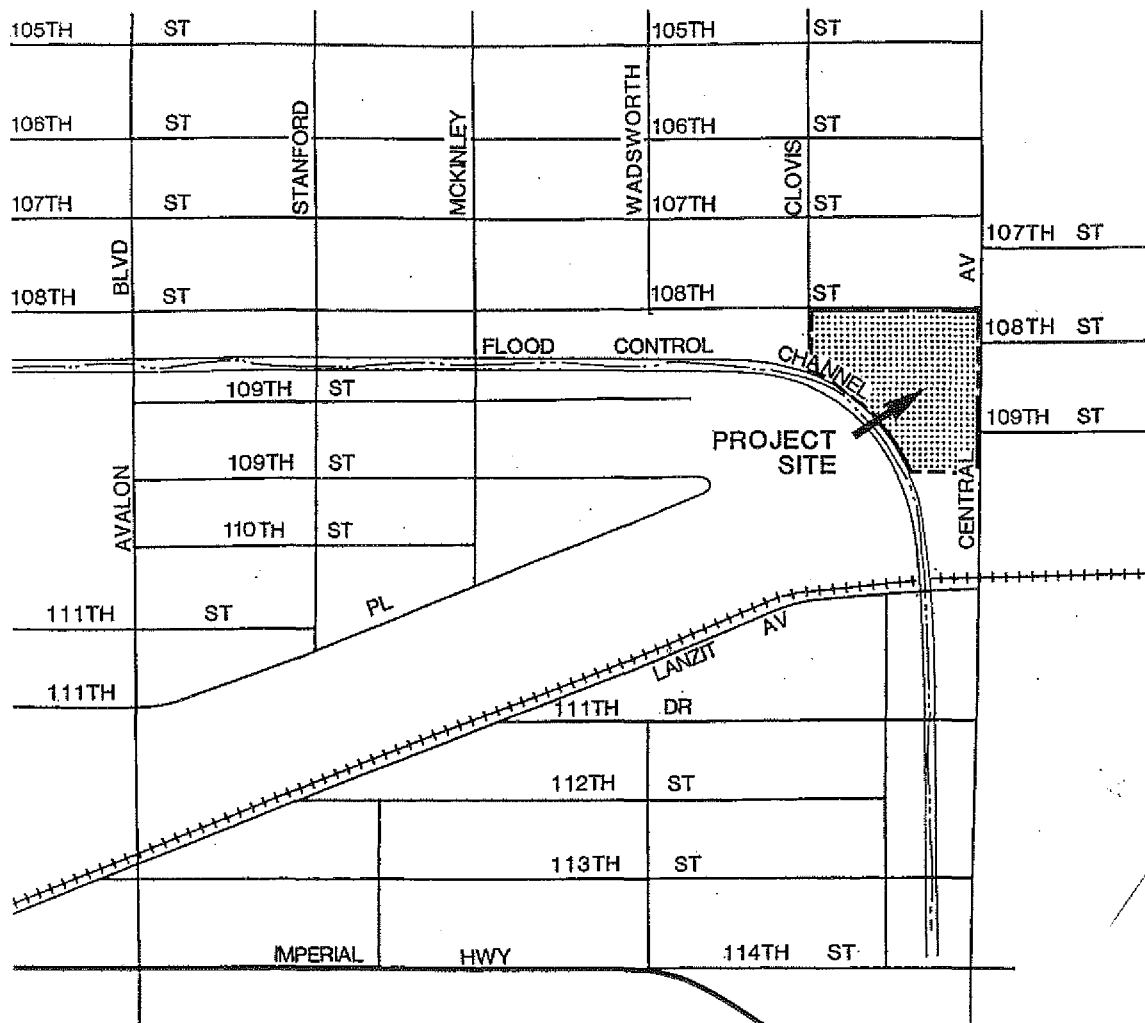
The new facilities will provide capacities for approximately 100 administrative positions and a maximum of 2000 students per day. The facility will be open 6 days a week from 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. The facility will hold training and educational programs throughout the entire year except legal holidays and Sundays. The building program presently under consideration proposes the following uses:

- administrative offices;
- 45,000 square feet of classrooms;
- industrial training;
- child care facilities;
- maintenance building;
- social court.

Implementation of the project will require the following actions by the LAUSD:

1. Acquisition of two acres presently owned by various individuals or businesses.

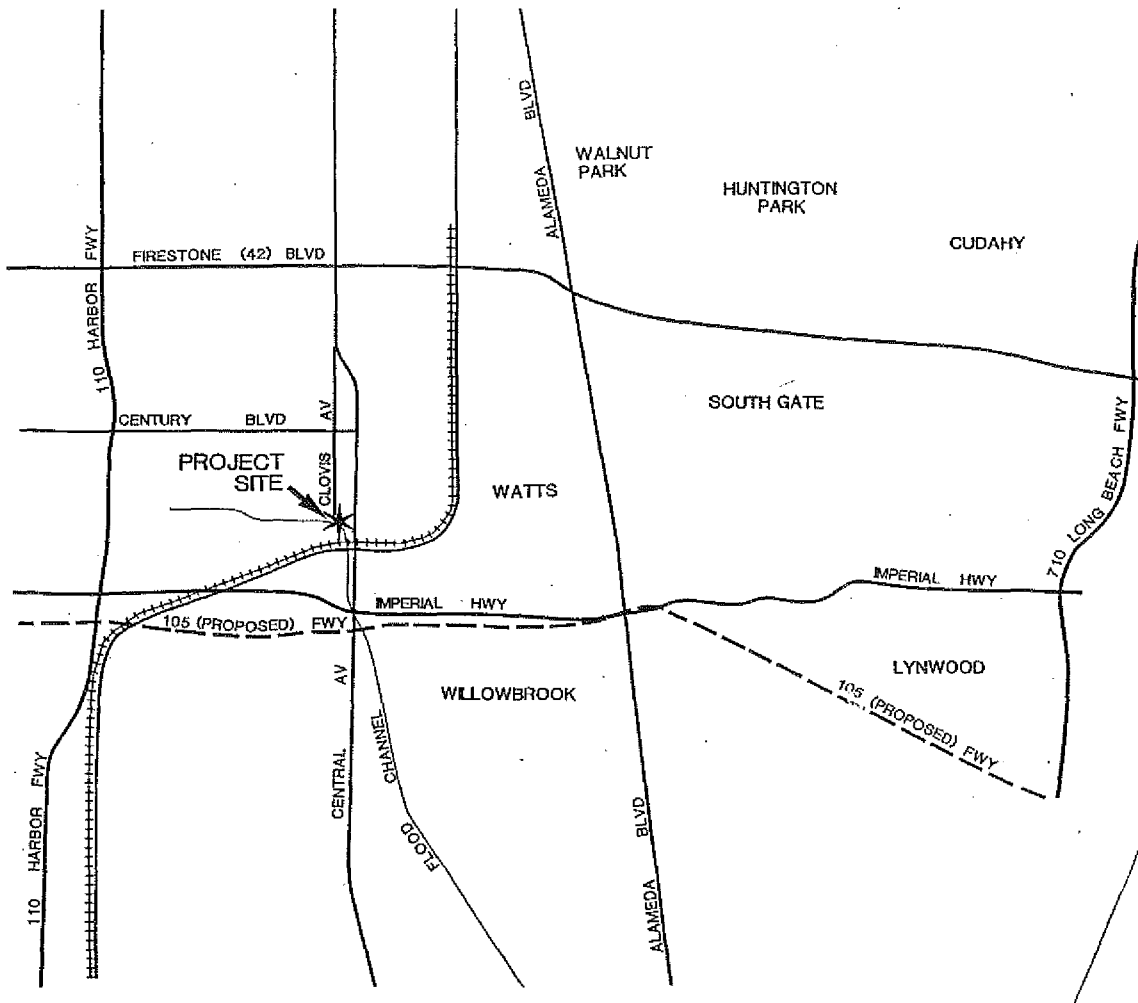
2. Relocation of displaced businesses and compensation for property and business losses.
3. Sale of existing buildings or their demolition if not sold.
4. 109th Street Alley Way will be vacated.
5. Construction of proposed buildings and parking areas and rehabilitation of existing structure.



VICINITY MAP
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



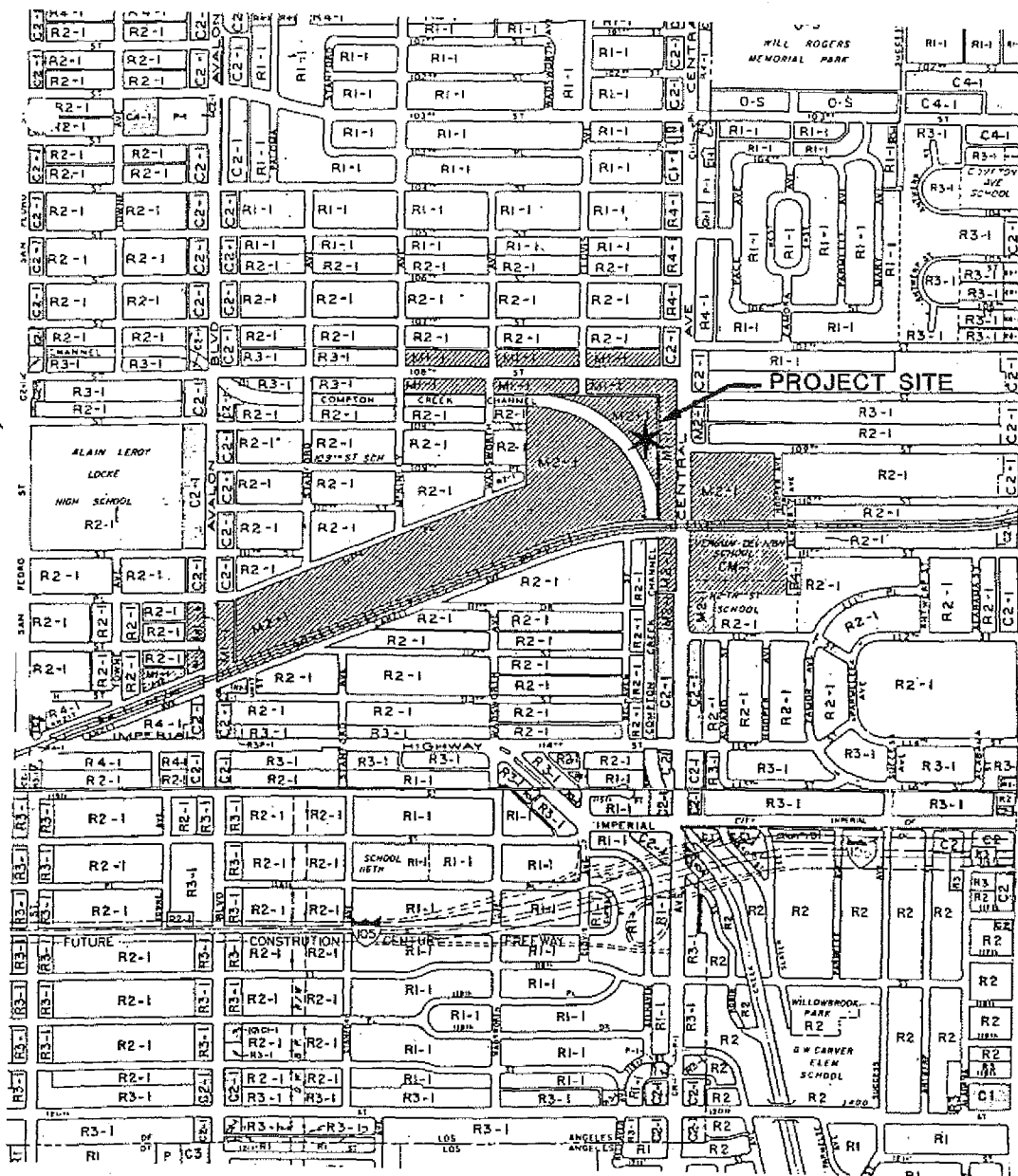
FIGURE 1



REGIONAL MAP
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



FIGURE 2



ZONING MAP
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



FIGURE 3

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS, MITIGATION MEASURES

3.1 LAND USE

Existing Conditions

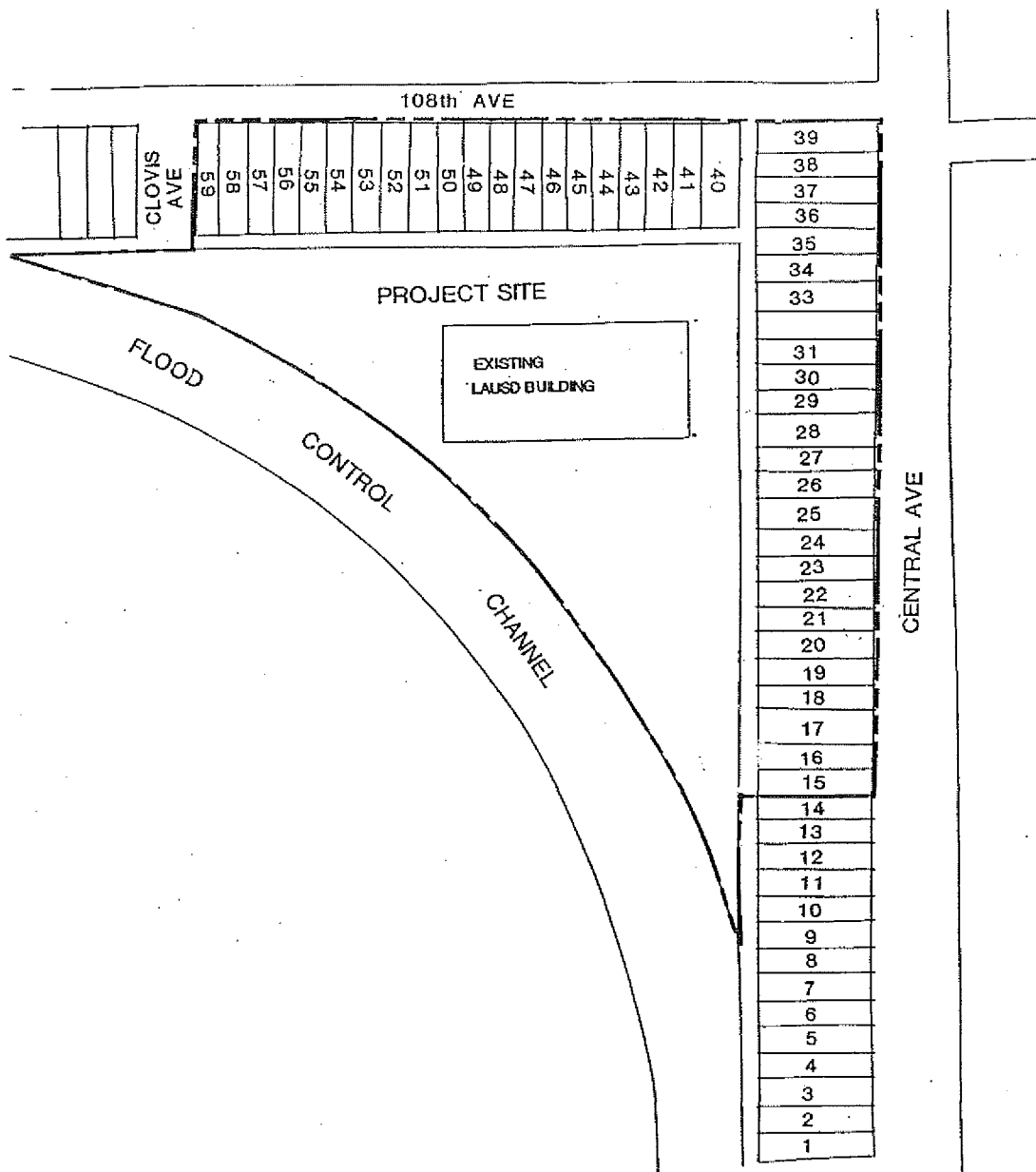
The predominate existing land uses on the site are warehouse/storage facilities, light industrial and small commercial establishments. In addition, a vacant one-bedroom residential unit and a large vacant building belonging to the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) are within the study area. Senior citizen facilities are on the west side of South Central Avenue, just north of Lanzit Avenue. An alley, which is a western extension of 109th Street, accesses the school building and services the small manufacturers on the south side of 108th Street. The perimeter of the LAUSD building is fenced with barb wire and the structure has been heavily vandalized.

A flood control channel arcs to the southeast from 108th Street just south of Clovis to the intersection of Lanzit and Central. This channel establishes the southern and western boundary of the site. The site is currently zoned M1 and M2-1 for light and heavy manufacturing respectively. See Figure 3 for the Zoning Map, Figure 4 for the Parcel Map, and Figures 5 through 7 for site photographs.

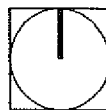
North of the site on 108th Street are several commercial businesses, further north is a residential area. South and west of the site are a series of warehouses, and a CalTrans maintenance and storage facility. Several blocks of residential units are located south and west of Lanzit Avenue. Pacific Railroad tracks border the south side of Lanzit Avenue. To the east are light manufacturing and public buildings, including the Ben F. Perry Building belonging to the Department of Public Services.

Environmental Impacts

The proposed project is to be implemented in two phases. The two phase of development will result in the displacement of 11 small businesses/light manufacturing facilities and one vacant residential unit (Table 1 for present site occupancy). These establishments are located along the south side of 108th Street and the west side of Central Avenue.



WATTS SKILLS CENTER
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



THE PLANNING CENTER
1000 DOWE STREET, SUITE 100
NEWPORT BEACH, CA 92660 (714) 851-5644

FIGURE 4

TABLE 1
PRESENT SITE OCCUPANCY

Parcel Number	Title or Use	Current Address
1-19	Not a part	Not a part
20-22	Parkers Auto Wrecking	10843 S. Central
23-26	Vacant	
27	Vacant Residence	10819 S. Central
28-30	Steak and Take	10812 S. Central
31-33	Alonso's Iron Works	10809 S. Central
34-35	Fairview Cleaners	10802 S. Central
36-43	Griffiths Liquor Store	Corner 108th Street/S. Central
44	Little Peoples Bible Bookstore	1150 108th Street
45-46	Aluminum Mag Rim Shining	1142 108th Street
47-48	Classy Riders Elegance Shop	1140 108th Street
49-51	Lopez Manufacturing	1130 108th Street
52-55	El Shadai Christian Center	1124 108th Street
56-59	Skinner Wood Turning	1112 108th Street

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ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

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WATTS SKILLS CENTER

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1. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

This Environmental Impact Report has been prepared at the direction of the Los Angeles Unified School District and submitted to the City of Los Angeles in order to evaluate the environmental consequences resulting from the construction and operation of a skills training facility on the proposed site. The project sponsor, the Los Angeles Unified School District, is requesting approval of their proposal to construct a skills center on a site which is currently in light industrial and commercial use. The school will provide capacity for approximately 2,000 students and is intended to train persons in skills necessary for employment in a variety of fields.

This EIR has been prepared in response to the proposed project and in accordance with the most recently adopted guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as well as those of the Los Angeles Unified School District.

The following summary provides a brief discussion of the potential impacts of the project as well as proposed mitigation measures.

IMPACT SUMMARY

Environmental Concern

LAND USE

Potential Impacts

Implementation of the project will require the acquisition of 2 acres of land and the relocation of 11 small business establishments.

Mitigation Measures

Relocation procedures will be in accordance with The California Relocation Assistance and Property Acquisition Act of 1970.

TRAFFIC AND CIRCULATION

With the implementation of the project, all of the intersections studied for this report are expected to continue to operate at acceptable levels.

Though the project itself does not impose significant impacts, to alleviate regional circulation problems ride sharing and carpooling should be encouraged.

EARTH RESOURCES

Development of the proposed skills center may subject future occupants to groundshaking from seismic activity occurring along active faults in the region.

A soils/foundation study of the site will be completed by the school district to determine if liquefaction potential of the site.

All new and existing structures will be structurally strengthened to withstand ground shaking and all structures will conform to State Code Title 24 regarding seismic safety.

Minor grading operations will be required for site development.

Grading shall conform to all applicable City Ordinances.

Environmental
Concern

Potential Impacts

Mitigation Measures

AIR QUALITY

During project construction short-term impacts will include, particulate emissions from excavation, exhaust emissions from motor vehicles of construction crew and exhaust emissions of construction equipment.

SCAQMD Rule 403 will be adhered to insuring the clean-up of project related dirt.

Adequate watering techniques will be employed to partially mitigate construction-generated dust.

Long-term impacts associated with the permanent usage of the proposed development will result in increased auto emissions and on-site power consumption will create pollutant emissions from power plants.

Ride sharing and carpooling will be encouraged among employees and students.

NOISE

Short-term acoustical impacts associated with construction will occur during development of the site.

Noise reducing devices will be used on all construction equipment.

Long-term acoustical impacts associated with project generated traffic and school activities may impact local residences. building codes.

Construction activities will be concentrated during daylight hours.

Noise generated by school activities will be limited to day light hours.

All buildings will be designed to conform with State interior noise. levels standards.

Environmental
Concern

Potential Impacts

Mitigation Measures

PUBLIC UTILITIES
AND SERVICES

Utilities

No significant
environmental
impacts.

No mitigation
measures required.

Police

The proposed
project will not
affect the police
department's
ability to service
the project and
surrounding area.
The project will
create a more
positive setting
than the existing
vacant structures.

The police have
recommended a
series of site
design features to
ensure the safety
and welfare of
persons on the
project site.

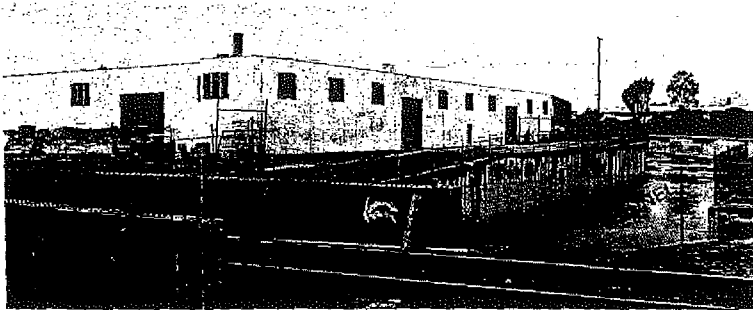
Fire

No significant
impact on fire
protection services
is expected.

Access for Fire
Department
apparatus and
personnel to and
into all structures
shall be required
pursuant to code
requirements.

The project shall
comply with all
applicable State
and local codes,
ordinances and fire
protection
guidelines of the
City of Los
Angeles.

Definitive plans
and specifications
shall be submitted
to the City of Los
angeles Department
of Fire, and
requirements for
necessary permits
satisfied prior to
commencement of any
portion of this
project.

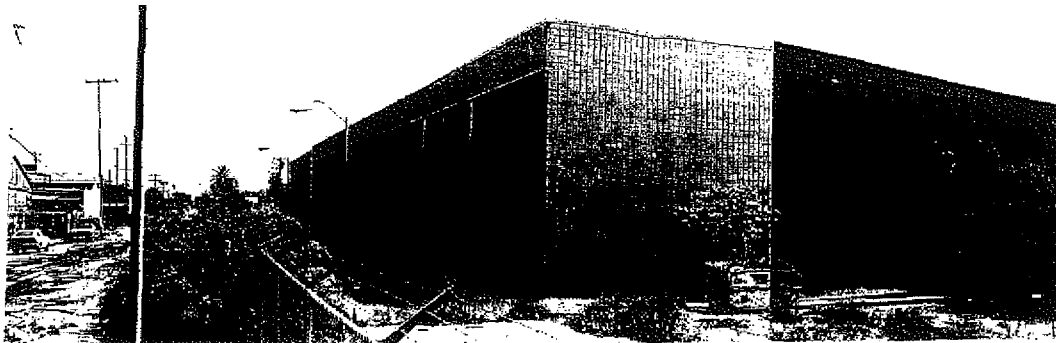


VIEW OF FLOOD CONTROL CHANNEL FROM LANZIT AVE LOOKING ONTO SITE

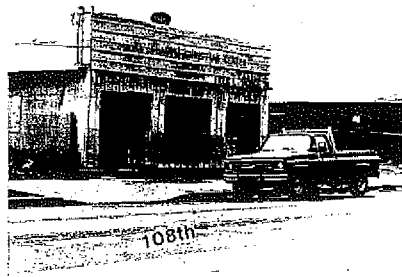
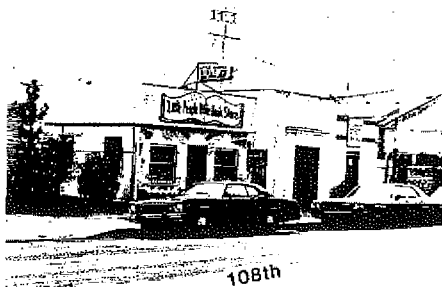


EXISTING LAUSD BUILDING FROM WEST

FIGURE 5
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



EXISTING LAUSD BUILDING FROM 109th STREET

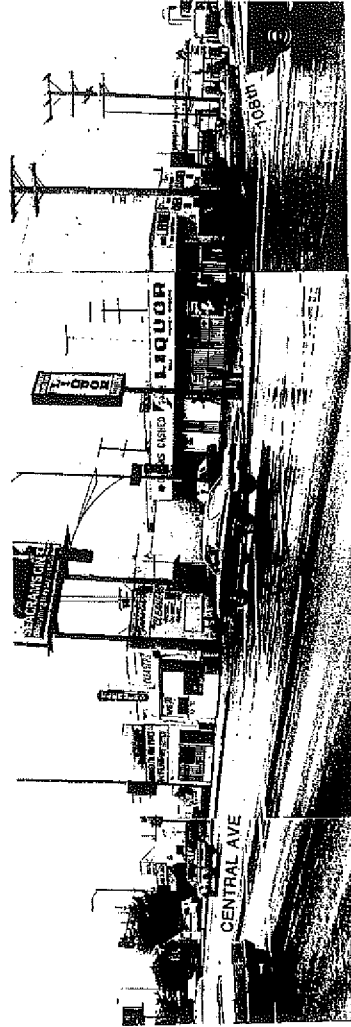


EXISTING SMALL COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES ON SOUTH SIDE OF 108th STREET

FIGURE 6
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT



FRONTAGE BUILDINGS ON WEST SIDE OF CENTRAL AVE WITH EXISTING LAUSD STRUCTURE IN BACKGROUND



INTERSECTION OF 108th STREET AND CENTRAL

FIGURE 7
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Implementation of the proposed project will change the current land uses to institutional uses, including technical training centers, office space, and a day care center. The current zoning is M1 and M2-1. The proposed uses are compatible with this zoning according to City of Los Angeles Zoning Ordinances.

Mitigation Measures

Relocation procedures for property owners displaced by the implementation of this project will be in accordance with the California Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970. The Los Angeles Unified School District's Relocation Assistance Program will notify all persons displaced by this project 90 days before they can be required to move and will distribute a pamphlet, in English and in Spanish, explaining the laws and procedures of land acquisition and relocation compensations.

Property owners will receive adequate compensation for their property as determined by the School District's land and improvements appraisal.

3.2 TRAFFIC AND CIRCULATION

Existing Conditions

Figure 8 illustrates the project site, the street system within the vicinity of the site and the average daily traffic volumes at studied intersections. Adjacent land uses are primarily strip commercial along the major boulevards and low-density, single-family residences along other streets. Regional access to the project site is provided by the Harbor Freeway (I-110) which runs generally north-south approximately one and one-half miles west of the project site. Local access is provided by Century Boulevard, 103rd Street, 108th Street, Imperial Highway, Avalon Boulevard, Central Avenue, and Compton Avenue. These streets are primarily four to six lane arterials and collector streets. Major intersections are signalized and most provide separate left-turn lanes at the intersections.

The study intersections located in the area are the following:

- o Central Avenue and Century Boulevard
- o Central Avenue and 103rd Street
- o Central Avenue and 108th Street
- o Central Avenue and Imperial Highway
- o Avalon Boulevard and 108th Street
- o Compton Avenue and 108th Street

All of these intersections are controlled by two-phase traffic signals.

EXISTING TRAFFIC VOLUMES

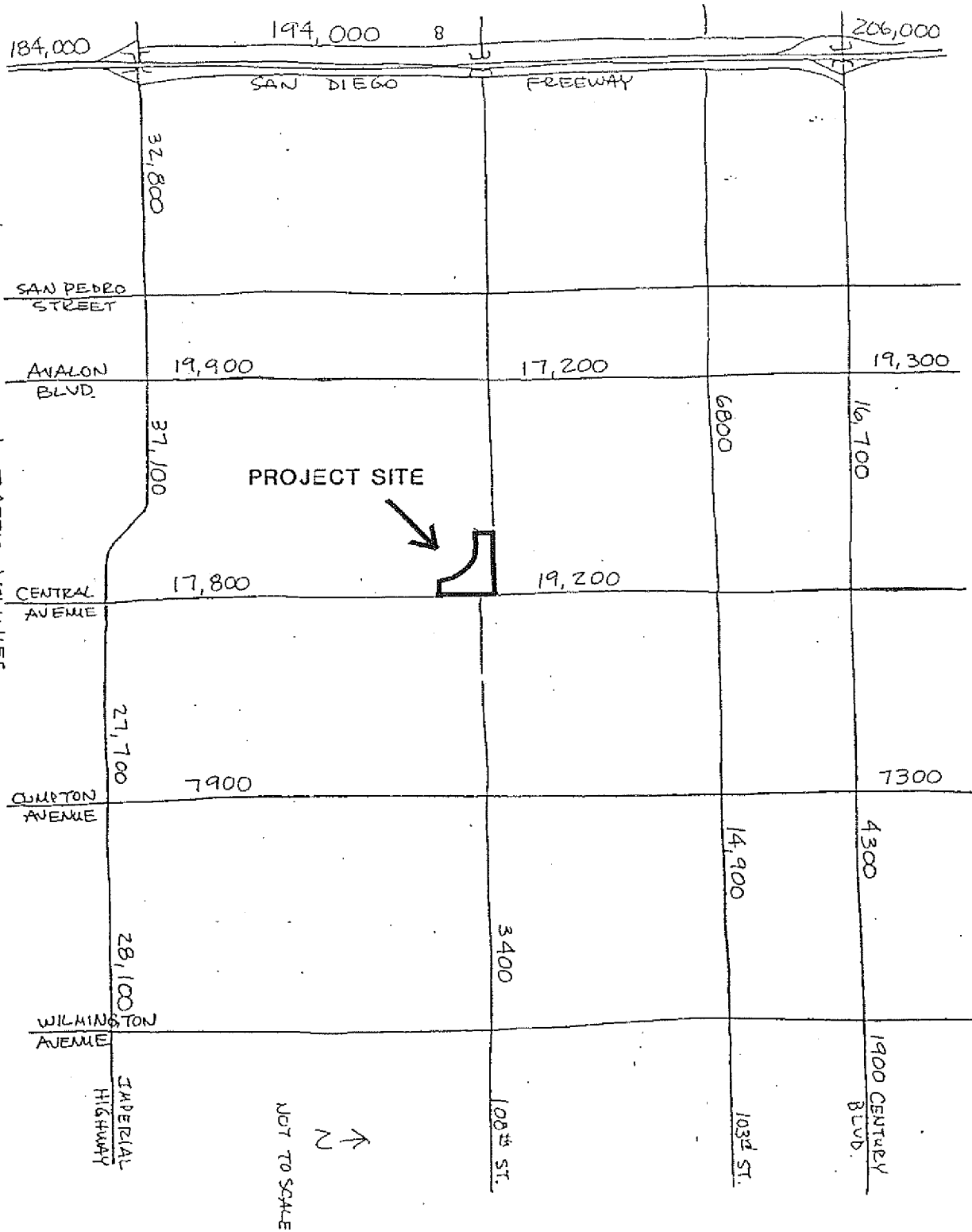
Existing daily traffic volumes on the area street network were obtained from the City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation and Caltrans.

Morning and evening intersection peak hour turning movement traffic counts were conducted by Kaku Associates in November 1987 at the six study intersections.

The peak hour intersection traffic volumes for each of the study intersections were analyzed to determine the current operating conditions at each intersection. The Critical Movement Analysis (CMA) methodology was used to analyze the six study intersections. This technique provides an indication of the volume/capacity ratio and the corresponding levels of service at these intersections.

FIG. 4

AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC VOLUMES



TRAFFIC VOLUMES
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
 LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

FIGURE 8

Table 2 summarizes the results of the intersection capacity analyses at the six study intersections. As shown, the results of the analyses indicate that all of the study intersections are currently operating at acceptable levels of service in both the morning and evening peak hours.

TABLE 2
LEVEL OF SERVICE ANALYSES
EXISTING CONDITIONS

Intersection	AM Peak Hour V/C	LOS	PM Peak Hour V/C	LOS
Central Ave/Century Blvd	0.39	A	0.64	B
Central Ave/103rd Street	0.61	B	0.69	B
Central Ave/108th Street	0.26	A	0.38	A
Central Ave/Imperial Hwy	0.77	C	0.76	C
Avalon Blvd/108th Street	0.48	A	0.45	A
Compton Ave/108th Street	0.28	A	0.45	A

Environmental Impacts

The analysis of the impact generated by the implementation upon local traffic conditions includes an assessment of future traffic expected to be generated by the project itself and any additional traffic growth expected as a result of regional changes.

Estimates of project traffic were developed using a three step approach which first estimates the total magnitude of traffic generated by the proposed project, secondly predicts its geographic distribution, and finally assigns the traffic to the local street system.

The amount of traffic generated by the proposed project was estimated as follows for each of three segments of the total project traffic: administrative personnel; students who arrive and leave by bus; and, students who drive, as shown in Table 3.

TABLE 3

TRAFFIC GENERATION BY PROJECT
(In Number of Vehicles)

Traffic Segment	AM Peak Hour In	AM Peak Hour Out	AM Peak Hour Total	PM Peak Hour In	PM Peak Hour Out	PM Peak Hour Total
Administrative Personnel	77	8	85	8	77	85
Students Arriving by Bus	12	12	24	12	12	24
Students Driving to the Site	126	14	140	7	68	75
TOTAL	215	34	249	27	157	184

The City of Los Angeles Department of Transportation provided information on regional traffic growth for the determination of base future traffic conditions in the study area. Existing traffic volumes were expanded by one percent per year to estimate conditions at the study intersections at project completion.

The future traffic volumes developed and described above were analyzed to evaluate the potential impact of the proposed project on the local street and highway system. To properly assess the relative impact of the proposed project as compared to that of other traffic due to regional growth, the analysis considered them separately.

As shown in Table 4, all of the study intersections are expected to continue to operate at acceptable levels of service (LOS D or better) in both peak hours with the addition of traffic due to regional growth and the implementation of the project.

TABLE 4
LEVEL OF SERVICE ANALYSES
FUTURE CONDITIONS WITH PROJECT

Intersection	AM Peak Hour		PM Peak Hour	
	V/C	LOS	V/C	LOS
Central Ave/Century Blvd	0.42	A	0.67	B
Central Ave/103rd Street	0.64	B	0.74	C
Central Ave/108th Street	0.32	A	0.42	A
Central Ave/Imperial Hwy	0.81	D	0.80	C/D
Avalon Blvd/108th Street	0.52	A	0.47	A
Compton Ave/108th Street	0.31	A	0.49	A

Mitigation Measures

The proposed project would not impose significant impacts upon the circulation of traffic in the vicinity of the project area. However, to ease regional traffic problems ride sharing should be encouraged.

3.3 EARTH RESOURCES

Environmental Setting

The project site is located on a relatively level area at approximately 105 feet altitude. See Figure ___ for the topographic characteristics of the site. The site is located in Flood Zone C, which describes areas of minimal flooding. Therefore, minimal flood hazard is associated with the site.

Surficial deposits in the site area are alluvial of recent Quaternary age, up to two million years. The entire site is or was developed. Therefore, natural topsoils have been disturbed by prior grading.

The City of Los Angeles is located within a seismically active area. No active or potentially active faults are directly on the site, nor is it located in an Alquist-Priolo Fault Rupture Study Zone. This zone has been established one-eighth mile on either side of a known or assumed trace of the nearest potentially active fault. The City of Los Angeles' Seismic Safety Plan designates schools as "Structures of Importance" with an Importance Factor of 3. Detailed liquefaction studies may be required for Structures of Importance. The Seismic Safety Plan also specifies that the safest areas should be reserved for school, after dams and reservoirs, hospitals and emergency facilities.

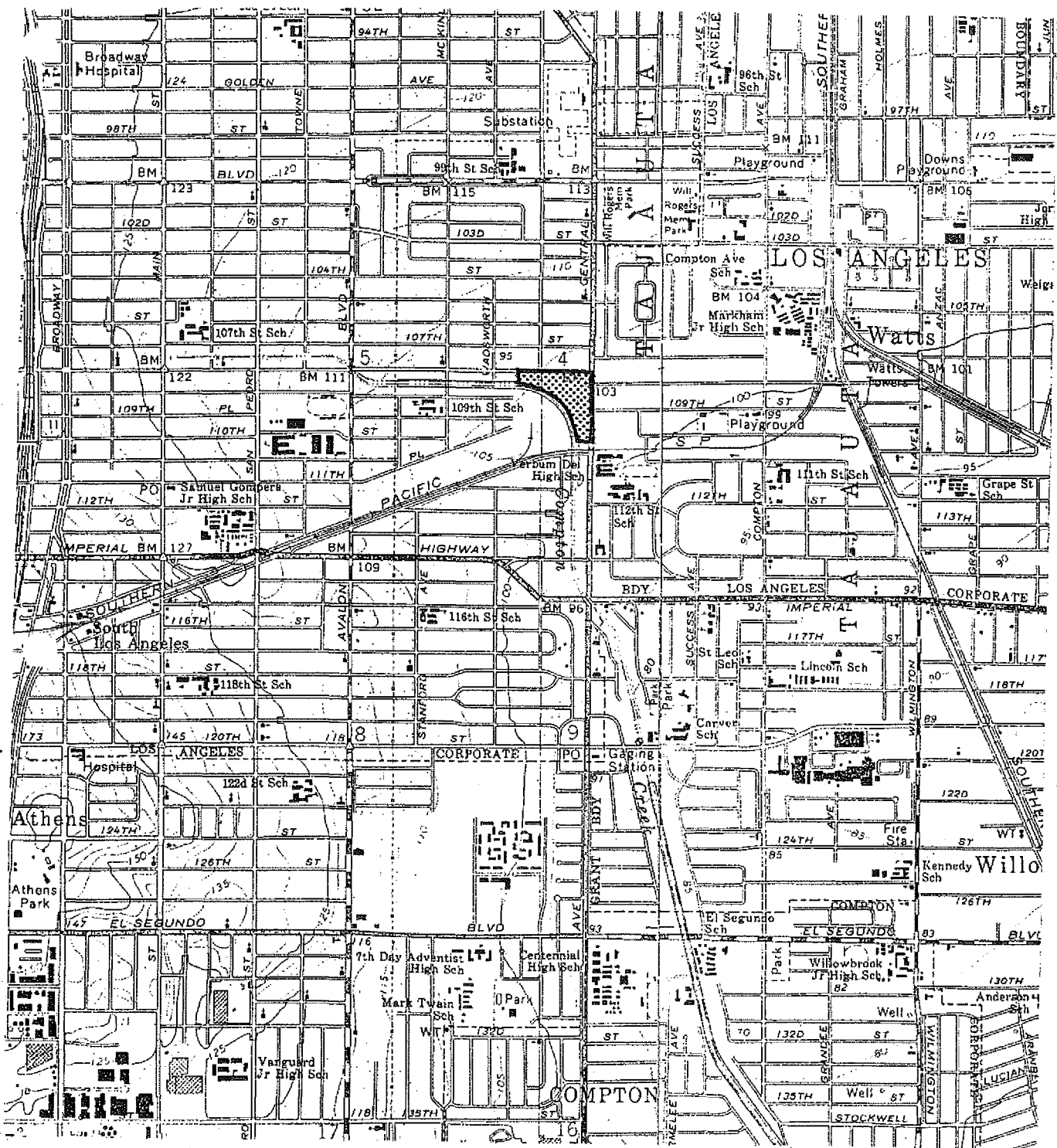
Environmental Impacts

Development of a skills center and administrative office on the site could subject future students and administrators to potential groundshaking from seismic activity occurring along active faults in the region. The impacts, however, will not be greater than on other sites in the seismically active Southern California.

Development of the relatively flat site will require some excavations for building foundations and the reconstruction of existing buildings. Implementation of the proposed project is not expected to result in extensive grading.

Mitigation Measures

Grading shall conform to all applicable City ordinances and building codes.



SOURCE: USGS

TOPOGRAPHY MAP
WATTS SKILLS CENTER
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

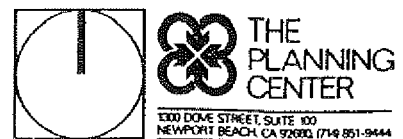


FIGURE 9

Prior to development, the Los Angeles Unified School District shall undertake a soils/foundation investigation to determine the nature and characteristics of the underlying soils and to assess the liquefaction potential of the site. Specific building and construction parameters shall be determined during the soils/foundation investigation. The parameters shall be incorporated into the project design to insure adequate foundations for the structures.

All existing buildings and structures will be structurally strengthened to withstand groundshaking resulting from the "design" earthquake as stipulated by state construction standards for schools.

All building and structure design shall comply with State Code Title 24 regarding seismic safety.

3.4 AIR QUALITY

Environmental Setting

The study area has a mediterranean climate with warm summers and mild winters. The average temperature in Los Angeles is approximately 65oF, low temperatures are in the 20s or 30s and highs reach over 100oF. Most of the annual rainfall occurs between November and April, averaging approximately 14.8 inches per year in the Los Angeles area. The average number of rainy days (greater than or equal to 0.10 inch rainfall) is twenty days per year.

The prevailing daytime wind direction in Los Angeles are sea breezes from the southwest with relatively low velocities, i.e., 8 to 12 miles per hour (mph). Nighttime winds drain the basin and flow from the northeast and east offshore at slightly lower speeds. A study of the climate and air quality for the basin prepared by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) found that on 80 percent of the days during the summer season, the average morning wind speed in downtown Los Angeles is less than 5 mph (SCAQMD, 1980). This factor contributes to the daily stagnation of pollutants.

The dispersion of air pollutants is often hampered by the presence of a persistent temperature inversion in the layers of the atmosphere near the earth's surface. The combination of low wind speeds and low inversions produces the greatest concentration of pollutants. In the winter, the greatest pollution problems are from carbon monoxide and oxides of nitrogen during the night and early morning hours. In the summer the longer daylight hours and brighter sunshine combine to cause a reaction between hydrocarbons and oxides of nitrogen to form photochemical smog.

Table 5 below lists the number of days major air pollution constituents exceeded the state pollutant standards for that constituent at the Lynwood Monitoring Station. The Lynwood station is the closest air quality monitoring facility to the project site.

TABLE 5

NUMBER OF DAYS STATE POLLUTION STANDARD EXCEEDED
(Data from 1986)

Pollution Constituent	O ₃	CO	NO _x	SO _x	Part.	Lead
Days exceeding State Standards	46	44	3	0	5	0

Source: South Coast Air Quality Management Air Quality
Data Sheet, April 1987.

Of all the major air pollution constituents, ozone and carbon monoxide surpassed the pollutant standards most often. In 1986, the California Ambient Air Quality Standard for ozone (hourly concentrations greater than or equal to 0.10 ppm) was exceeded 46 days or 12.6 percent of the year. The State standard for carbon monoxide (hourly concentrations greater than or equal to 20 ppm) was exceeded 44 days. The other air pollution constituents monitored at the Lynwood station exceeded State standards on 5 or less days.

The Air Quality Management Plan (AQMP) was adopted by the California Air Resources Board on May 10, 1979. It was designed to meet and maintain federal and state ambient air standards by 1987. Required by the Clean Air Act (Amendments of 1977), the AQMP was included in the State Implementation Plan and submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in July 1979. In January 1981, the EPA approved portions of the AQMP with conditions, but disapproved the ozone and carbon monoxide portions because of the failure of the California Legislature to adopt a Vehicle Inspection-Maintenance (I & M) Program. In April 1982, the EPA approved submittals to remove the conditions but continued the ozone and carbon monoxide disapprovals until an AQMP revision can demonstrate attainment by December 31, 1987 or show that all possible reasonable and available control measures have been implemented by 1987.

The Draft AQMP 1982 Revision, adopted in October 1982, includes measures available for implementation by 1987 as well as long range strategies to bring the basin into later compliance. These measures will meet the federal standard for nitrogen dioxide by 1987 and the state standard by 2000. There will be continuous attainment of federal sulfur dioxide standards; however, violations will continue for particulates,

hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide and ozone after the 1987 attainment deadline. A 1987 Implementation Plan Alternative with four control strategies could bring about the attainment of all national standards except particulates by 1987.

The existing residential and commercial uses on the site are currently generating pollutant emissions from both stationary and mobile sources.

Environmental Impacts

Two types of air pollutant sources must be considered with respect to the proposed project: stationary sources and mobile sources. Stationary source considerations include emissions on-site from construction activities and natural gas combustion, as well as emissions at the power plant associated with the electrical requirements of the project. Mobile source considerations include exhaust emissions resulting from short term construction activities and long-term traffic generation.

Short-term impacts on air quality will occur during the construction activities required on-site. These impacts will include:

1. Particulate (fugitive dust) emissions from excavation activities;
2. Exhaust emissions from the motor vehicles of the construction crew;
3. Exhaust emissions from the construction equipment used on-site as well as the vehicles used to transport the equipment to and from the project site.

On a short-term basis, large dust particles that settle to earth near the construction area could create a temporary localized nuisance problem. Additionally, fine-grained particles may be emitted and dispersed over greater distances, settling on parked cars and occasionally annoying receptors.

Exhaust emission during the construction activities will be minimal and dispersed without significant impact on sensitive receptors. The construction crew will be relatively small and generate an insignificant amount of air pollutants along the various site access routes.

Long-term impacts are those associated with the permanent usage of the proposed development.

Emissions projections have been made for both stationary and mobile source emissions.

The mobile source emissions will occur as a result of project generated traffic. The consumption of power on-site will create pollutant emissions from the power plants generating the energy.

It should be noted that while the operation of a skills center as opposed to existing uses on-site will have the aforementioned effects on local air quality, the business and residents displaced will in all likelihood relocate within the South Coast Air Basin; thus, sources of air pollution will likewise be relocated, not eliminated.

Mitigation Measures

SCAQMD Rule 403 will be adhered to, insuring the clean up of construction-related dirt on approach routes on the site.

Adequate watering techniques will be employed to partially mitigate the impact of construction-generated dust particulates. Building construction will comply with the energy use guidelines in Title 24 of California Administrative Code.

Ride sharing and carpooling will be encouraged amongst employees and students.

3.5. NOISE

Environmental Setting

Sound emanating from motor vehicles is the primary source of ambient noise in the project vicinity. Central Avenue is a major north-south arterial, which borders the eastern edge of the project site. Additional sources of noise include the light industrial manufacturers on 108th Street and Lanzit Avenue, the Cal Trans maintenance yard and noise from the railway tracks on the south side of Lanzit.

The project site does not lie within any present or future 65 dBA noise contours as specified in the City's Noise Element. Since classes will be conducted at the skills training center and a day care center will be on-site, the project is classified in the City's Noise Element as a noise sensitive land use. Noise sensitivity factors include interference with speech communication and need for freedom from noise intrusion.

Environmental Impacts

Acoustical impacts will generally be of two types: short term (i.e., construction related) and long-term (i.e., traffic and school related).

Two types of noise impacts should be considered during the construction phase. First, the transport of workers and equipment to the site will incrementally increase noise levels along the roadways leading to and from the site. The increase should not exceed 1.0 dBA when averaged over a 24-hour period, and should therefore be inaudible to noise receptors located along the roadways utilized for this purpose. Secondly, the noise generated by the actual on-site construction activities could create noise impacts on the surrounding residences. Noise generated by construction equipment, including trucks, graders, bulldozers, concrete mixers and portable generators can reach high levels.

A potential noise problem exists at the residential areas adjacent to the site. It can be expected that construction related noise levels will range from approximately 70 dBA from pumping equipment to about 95 dBA from bulldozers and other earthmoving equipment (at 50 feet distance). Construction equipment noise is subject to the control of the Environmental Protection Agency's Noise Control Program (Part 204 of Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations). Some equipment noise will impact the adjacent residential

areas during the construction phase which will last approximately 18 months to 2 years.

Long-term noise impacts resulting from traffic generation will not be significantly increased by the implementation of the project. Noise generated by vehicle use will occur primarily in the morning and afternoon hours along Central Avenue as students and administrators arrive at and leave the project area. Although noise levels could increase during these hours, they will not reach levels that will effect classroom conditions.

Noise generated by school activities could impact the surrounding residential areas. Any potential impacts will occur at intermittent times throughout the day, when students are using the machine shop and auto maintenance facilities. Those impacted by the noise would be people who are at home during the day (i.e., elderly people and homemakers with pre-school aged children).

Mitigation Measures

The short-term impact resulting from construction noise will be mitigated by the implementation of noise reducing devices of construction equipment and by concentrating activities during the daytime hours.

Noise levels along Central Avenue can be attenuated through the utilization of site planning, school construction techniques or construction of a noise wall.

All buildings on the site will be designed to ensure that interior noise levels are consistent with the requirements of the Board of Education and the State standards.

Noise generated by the school, primarily from the use of large machinery will be primarily limited to daytime hours.

3.6 PUBLIC SERVICES/FACILITIES

3.6.1 UTILITIES

Environmental Setting

The Southern California Gas Company is providing natural gas services. Telephone services in the project vicinity are provided by Pacific Bell. The Los Angeles Water and Power Company provides electrical and water services to the project site. Wastewater and sewer water services are provided by the City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works.

Environmental Impacts

Compared to the existing uses on the site, the project will require additional electrical, natural gas, telephone, water and wastewater services, although the demand for these services is not significant. No significant change in the need for storm water facilities is expected.

Mitigation Measures

Because no significant environmental impacts are anticipated, no mitigation measures are requested for this project.

3.6.2 POLICE PROTECTION¹

Environmental Setting

The City of Los Angeles' Police Department currently provides law enforcement services to the area surrounding the project site. The nearest station to the project site is the Southeast Area Station, which is located at 145 West 108th Street, Los Angeles. The Southeast Area Station currently staffs 262 employees with 234 sworn officers and 28 civilian employees.

The average response time to "calls for service" in the immediate vicinity of the proposed skills center is nine minutes.

¹Correspondence from Commander Mark Kroeker, Los Angeles Police Department, November 6, 1987.

Environmental Impacts

The Police Department has indicated that the project will not affect the Police Department's ability to provide an adequate level of service to the project site and the surrounding area. While the project will result in more people being in the area, the project will also be improving the existing site, and thus creating a more positive setting.

Mitigation Measures

The Police Department recommends the following measures to ensure the safety and welfare of persons on the project site:

1. Adequate lighting for parking;
2. Security, either in the form of a gate or a patrol person, should be provided for the parking areas;
3. Doors should have deadlocks;
4. Windows should not be located close to entrances;
5. If there are any elevators in the buildings, they should not be situated in an area that provides the opportunity for concealment;
6. To provide a high level of security, LAUSD could install a close circuit television and monitor system to watch the parking areas and any high security areas in the buildings.

3.6.3 FIRE PROTECTION

Environmental Setting

The City of Los Angeles Department of Fire provides fire protection and fire prevention services in the project area. The proposed project will receive a "Class B" assignment like all schools in the City of Los Angeles. The initial response fire stations for the proposed school would be;

² Correspondence from James W. Young, Assistant Bureau Commander, Bureau of Fire Prevention.²

STATION

Fire Station No. 65
Single Engine Company
1525 East 103rd Street

DISTANCE FROM PROJECT

.75 miles

Fire Station No. 64
Task Force Station
118 West 108th Street.

1.1 miles

Environmental Impacts

The Fire department has indicated that project implementation will increase the need for fire protection and emergency medical services. Based upon the preliminary description of the proposed project, a fire-flow rate of 6,000 gallons per minute from four adjacent fire hydrants flowing simultaneously will probably be required.

Mitigation Measures

The Fire Department has recommended the following mitigation measures to insure the safety of employees and students of the proposed skills center.

- 1) Access shall be provided for Fire Department apparatus and personnel to and into all structures.
- 2) Site plans shall be submitted to Fire Department for approval of access roads and turning areas.
- 3) Adequate off-site private fire hydrants may be required. Their number and location to be determined after the Fire Departments review of the site plan.
- 4) No building or portion of a building will be constructed more than 150 feet from the edge of a roadway of an improved street, access road or designated fire lane.
- 5) Definitive plans and specifications shall be submitted to the Fire Department, and requirements for necessary permits satisfied prior to the commencement of any portion of the project.
- 6) The proposed project shall comply with all applicable State and local codes, ordinances and guidelines of the City Of Los Angeles Fire Prevention Plan.

4. UNAVOIDABLE ADVERSE IMPACTS

Certain unavoidable adverse impacts will occur as a result of the proposed project described in this document. Below is a summary of these impacts as they relate to the surrounding area. However, none of these impacts were judged to be significant.

Traffic and Circulation

The proposed school will lead to an increase in traffic in the project area.

Air Quality

The implementation of the proposed project will generate an incremental increase in air pollutants associated with construction and motor vehicles.

Noise

Noise generated from construction and increased traffic will increase with the implementation of the project.

Land Use

Implementation of the project will change the land use from the existing light industrial to educational facilities and office space.

Population and Housing

Implementation of the proposed project will result in the removal of eleven small businesses and light manufacturers.

5. ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED PROJECT

No Project Alternative

Under the "no project" alternative, the site would remain in its present state. The existing LAUSD building would remain and vandalized. The Watts area would not benefit from the addition of a skills training center. The existing small commercial businesses would require relocation and surrounding residents would not be impacted by construction noise, dust and traffic generation.

Alternative Site Location

If the proposed skills center was located on another site in the Watts area, the optimal site would impose the least amount of impacts to the surrounding area. The present site not only utilizes existing on-site resources but generates no significant environmental impacts beyond the construction phase. Due to the heavy urbanization of the Watts area any alternative site would be likely to displace more residences and/or homes than the proposed site and increase the impacts associated with this project.

6. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN LOCAL SHORT-TERM USES OF
MAN'S ENVIRONMENT AND THE MAINTENANCE AND
ENHANCEMENT OF LONG-TERM PRODUCTIVITY

Economic and social pressures for growth in southern California are such that complete protection of the environment at the expense of community growth and well being is not practical. A balance, therefore, must be sought which accommodates the growing population of the southern California region while maintaining the integrity of the environment.

The project site is currently developed with light industrial and commercial uses. Implementation of the project will result in the removal of these units and businesses, yet no undeveloped land will be encroached upon. The natural character of the land has been altered by the initial development and therefore will not be impacted by the proposed Skills Center.

The long-term productivity of the site is limited since the natural state of the land has been lost for a significant amount of time. Returning the site to a natural setting, in order to regain productivity, would be costly and impractical. Development of a Skills Center will offer long-term benefits to the City as a whole by providing job training facilities for residents in the area.

7. IRREVERSIBLE AND IRRETRIEVABLE COMMITMENT OF
ENERGY SUPPLIES AND OTHER RESOURCES SHOULD THE
PROJECT BE IMPLEMENTED

The construction of the proposed project will entail the commitment of natural resources, energy resources and human resources. This commitment of energy, personnel and building materials will be commensurate with that of other projects of similar magnitude. Ongoing maintenance of the project site by occupants will entail further commitment of energy resources in the form of natural gas and electricity generated by coal, hydro-electric power or nuclear energy. This commitment will continue to be a long-term obligation in view of the fact that, practically speaking, it is impossible to return the land to its original condition once it has been developed.

8. GROWTH INDUCING IMPACTS

The project proposes the development of a Skills Center to train teens and adults in vocational skills, as well as provide administrative offices for the Los Angeles Unified School District. As such, the project is not growth inducing, but is a response to growth and unemployment in the area. The existing public services and facilities will not require significant additional construction or upgrading to serve the project site.

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BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF LOS ANGELES

ORDER OF BUSINESS, REGULAR MEETING

3:20 P.M. - MONDAY, APRIL 4, 1988
ROOM H-160

- I. ROLL CALL
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
- III. PRESENTATIONS
- Recognition of "KIDQUIZ" Champions - Broad Avenue School
 - Recognition of School Police Officer Angela Pryor
 - Presentation by Getty Art Institute Representative
 - Presentation by Ms. Mollyann Schroeder, "Educator of the Month"
- IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF LOS ANGELES **APPROVED**
- Special 12:00 noon Meeting, Closed Session, March 3, 1988
 - Special 2:00 p.m. Meeting, Closed Session, March 10, 1988
 - Special 9:00 a.m. Meeting, Closed Session, March 14, 1988
 - Regular 3:20 p.m. Meeting, March 14, 1988
 - Special 9:00 a.m. Meeting, Closed Session, March 21, 1988
 - Regular 3:20 p.m. Meeting, March 21, 1988
- V. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION
- A. Mr. Gershman **ADOPTED**
 - B. Ms. Goldberg **ADOPTED**
 - C. Ms. Goldberg, Ms. Weintraub, Mr. Furutani **ADOPTED**
- VI. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS (Initial Announcement)
- A. Mr. Gershman
- VII. PUBLIC NOTICE OF REVISED DISTRICT'S 1988-89 INITIAL NEGOTIATING PROPOSALS
- Revised Initial Proposals to United Teachers-Los Angeles Regarding School Calendars for 1988-89 and 1989-90 School Years
 - (The proposals will be available for public comment at the next Board meeting.)
- VIII. REPORT POSTPONED FROM PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING **ADOPTED**
- Business Operations Committee Report No. 2, dated March 14, 1988 - Expansion of Lunch Shelters

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Order of Business
Regular Board Meeting

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4-4-1988
3:20 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS DATED APRIL 4, 1988

IX. CONSENT CALENDAR COMMITTEE REPORTS TO THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (Board Rule 61)

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2. <u>Business Operations Committee Report No. 3</u> ADOPTED		
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Budget Services and Financial Planning Division No. 4	3-21-1988	21
3. <u>Career and Continuing Education Committee Report No. 1</u> ADOPTED		
Division of Adult and Occupational Education No. 2	3-21-1988	24
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Budget Services and Financial Planning Division Revised No. 1	3-21-1988	27
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5. <u>Personnel and Schools Committee Report No. 1</u> ADOPTED		
6. <u>Personnel and Schools Committee Report No. 2</u> ADOPTED		
7. <u>Personnel and Schools Committee Report No. 3</u> ADOPTED		
Office of the Superintendent No. 1	3-21-1988	33
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X. REGULAR CALENDAR COMMITTEE REPORTS TO THE GOVERNING BOARD

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2. <u>Business Operations Committee Report No. 4</u> ADOPTED AS AMENDED		
Business Services Division No. 1	SEE MINUTES	3-21-1988 22
3. <u>Committee of the Whole Report No. 2</u> ADOPTED		
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4. <u>Committee of the Whole Report No. 3</u> ADOPTED		
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5. Committee of the Whole Report No. 4 **ADOPTED**
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6. Committee of the Whole Report No. 5 **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**
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XI. NEW COMMITTEE REPORTS TO THE GOVERNING BOARD

1. Business Operations Committee Report No. 1 **ADOPTED**
2. Business Operations Committee Report No. 2 **ADOPTED**
3. Personnel and Schools Committee Report No. 4 **ADOPTED**
4. Committee of the Whole Report No. 6 **ADOPTED** 4-4-1988 4
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5. Committee of the Whole Report No. 7 **ADOPTED** 4-4-1988 5
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6. Committee of the Whole Report No. 8 **ADOPTED** 4-4-1988 10
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XII. CORRESPONDENCE AND PETITIONS **APPROVED**

XIII. SPECIAL REPORT

XIV. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

1. Motions Requested by the Superintendent
2. Motions and Announcements Concerning Meetings, Conferences, and Conventions
3. Notice of Personnel Actions Taken in Closed Session
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XV. ADJOURNMENT

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V. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS FOR ADOPTION

- A. Mr. Gershan will request a waiver of Board Rule 72 in order to present the following motion noticed on March 21, 1988:

Whereas, The schools of this District have from time to time been the recipient of gifts donated by various benefactors;

ADOPTED

Whereas, These gifts have often been in the form of objects of art, and other items of monetary, historical, or cultural value; and

Whereas, There is a need for the identification of these items and a uniform Districtwide policy regarding their treatment; therefore, I move,

That the Superintendent be directed to have each Principal conduct a complete inventory of such items at his or her school location, which shall include the specific location of the items and their estimated value, reporting back to the Superintendent's designee in a form and manner approved by the Superintendent, no later than May 20, 1988, and further

That the Superintendent be directed to review for sufficiency the District's existing policies and procedures which may be related to such items and their protection and use, to report back to this Board by June 30, 1988, as to whether or not such policies and procedures are in need of modification in order to adequately protect and preserve these items.

- B. Ms. Goldberg will present the following precatory resolution:

That, Because the proposed Rapid Transit District (RTD) fare increase would have a significant negative effect upon this School District and the ability of our students to obtain safe and effective transportation services, and further, because said increase would also have a similar adverse effect upon the elderly and disabled of our community, this Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles oppose any rate increase by RTD for students, the elderly, and the disabled, and urge those involved in developing and proposing such an increase to exempt students, the elderly, and the disabled from any such increase.

ADOPTED

- C. Ms. Goldberg, Ms. Weintraub, and Mr. Furutani will present the following precatory resolution:

ADOPTED

Whereas, The California Education Code designates the last two weeks in the months of April and September as "High School Voter Weeks," with the stated purpose being to encourage eligible students to register and vote;

Whereas, The California Department of Education has requested that schools observe a nonpartisan Voter Registration Week from April 18-22, 1988, with the theme of "You've Got the Power: Register and Vote!";

Whereas, It is estimated that as many as 25,000 to 30,000 young people presently enrolled as students in the Los Angeles Unified School District could be eligible to vote for the first time either in the primary election on June 7, 1988, or in the general election on November 8, 1988, with the respective registration deadline dates of May 9, 1988, and October 10, 1988; and

Whereas, It is of the utmost importance to continue the School District's long tradition of educating students of all ages as to the reasons behind the right and the privilege of voting as a citizen in a democratic system of government; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles designate the period of April 18-29, 1988, and a similar appropriate period in the Fall of 1988 as Voter Education and Registration Weeks in the Los Angeles Unified School District; and

Further Resolved, That this Board urge all schools, particularly schools with students of voting age, to conduct classroom and other activities which have as their goal the development of an electorate of young people who are both knowledgeable about the value of providing opportunities for a democratic vote and familiar with the procedures for registering and voting in this year's elections.

VI. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS (Initial Announcement)

- A. Mr. Gershman will announce his intention to present the following resolution:

Whereas, Youth Suicide Prevention Awareness Week will be observed from May 1-7, 1988, to help call public attention to the increasing incidence of suicide and suicidal behavior among the nation's children and adolescents;

Whereas, The Board of Education of the City of Los Angeles, recognizing the importance of suicide prevention efforts, approved the establishment of a Suicide Prevention Unit for the Los Angeles Unified School District in 1986 and a Districtwide youth suicide prevention program in Spring, 1987;

Whereas, District efforts have been comprehensive, focusing not only on suicide prevention, but also on intervention, to identify potentially suicidal youth; on "postvention" counseling; and on an ongoing education campaign for students, parents, teachers and staff;

Whereas, Four major projects have been conducted during this year's awareness campaign, including a poster contest for students, with the theme "Be a Winner -- Reach Out and Show You Care;" distribution of brochures titled "How to Reach Out and Help a Friend" to all junior and senior high school students; a two-day, salary-point-credit class, "Coping with Crisis," for certificated personnel who might become involved in student counseling; and a free conference for parents on May 14, "Coping with Crisis: Challenges to Families in Today's World;" and

Whereas, A key component of the District's suicide awareness and prevention efforts has been "Crossroads: Coping with Crisis -- Preventing Teen Suicide," a District-produced television program broadcast ten times on KICS-TV (Channel 58) during the past year, and to be shown during Youth Suicide Prevention Week on May 2, 3 and 6; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Los Angeles City Board of Education strongly support Districtwide observance of Youth Suicide Prevention Week, May 1-7, and both endorse and encourage the use of activities, programs and materials designed to help the education community -- students, teachers, administrators, staff and parents -- deal appropriately and effectively with suicide-related issues.

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT NO. 12

Los Angeles, California
April 4, 1988

TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, GOVERNING BOARD OF THE
LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT:

The Committee of the Whole recommends that the item submitted by the Superintendent in the following communication, dated April 4, 1988, attached hereto and made a part hereof as if fully set forth herein, be adopted as shown below:

EXPEDITED COMMUNICATION NO. 5 (TAB 14)
Prepared by Building Services Division

- (1)-5 Certifying that final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been completed in compliance with California Environmental Quality Act, that final EIR was presented to Board, and that Board reviewed and considered information contained in said report prior to approving Watts Skills Center project; adopting Findings contained in Report of Findings, and Statement of Overriding Considerations; authorizing California Environmental Quality Act Officer to execute and file Notice of Determination for said project; approving said project.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

(The signature of the Chairperson in referring this report to the Board of Education does not necessarily signify the concurrence of the Chairperson with the recommendation.)

Alan Brothman
Chairperson

TO: LOS ANGELES CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
FROM: SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
VIA: COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

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Expedited Communication No. 5
Prepared by Building Services Division (REAL ESTATE BRANCH) for
presentation to the Committee of the Whole
on April 4, 1988

**CERTIFICATION OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, ADOPTION OF STATEMENT OF
OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF PROJECT -- WATTS SKILLS CENTER**

We report that a final Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared for the Watts Skills Center project which identifies certain significant environmental effects of the project. The final EIR consists of (1) the draft EIR, and (2) all attachments, incorporations, and references delineated in item (1). No comments were received on the draft EIR. Copies of the EIR, a Report of Findings, and a statement of Overriding Considerations have been provided to Board Members for review and consideration, and are on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Real Estate Branch.

The project involves one unoccupied dwelling unit.

Pursuant to Sections 15090 through 15093 of the State CEQA Guidelines, the Board must take the following actions before this project is approved or carried out:

1. Certify (1) that the final EIR has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), (2) that the final EIR was presented to the Board, and (3) that the Board reviewed and considered the information contained in the final EIR prior to approving this project.
2. Make one or more written findings for each significant effect identified in the EIR.
3. Make a Statement of Overriding Considerations if there are unavoidable adverse environmental effects of the project.

We further report that the District's California Environmental Quality Act Officer has reviewed the final EIR, the Report of Findings, and the Statement of Overriding Considerations, and concurs with the recommendations and findings contained therein.

IT IS RECOMMENDED:

1. That the Board certify (1) that the final EIR has been completed in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act, (2) that the final EIR was presented to the Board, and (3) that the Board reviewed and considered the information contained in the final EIR prior to approving this project.
2. That the Board adopt the findings contained in the Report of Findings prepared for this project, which is on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Real Estate Branch.

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CERTIFICATION OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, ADOPTION OF STATEMENT OF
OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS AND APPROVAL OF PROJECT -- WATTS SKILLS CENTER (cont.)

3. That the Board adopt the Statement of Overriding Considerations prepared for this project, which is on file and available for inspection in the Office of the Real Estate Branch.
4. That the California Environmental Quality Act Officer be authorized to execute and file a Notice of Determination for this project summarizing the above actions taken by the Board.
5. That the project, as described in the Environmental Impact Report, be approved.

This report has been reviewed and does not require a Desegregation Impact Report.

Respectfully submitted,

LEONARD H. BRITTON
Superintendent

All transactions covered by this report are in accordance with established Board policies and all expenditures recommended herein are within approved budgeted appropriations, and/or subject to provisions in budget for fiscal year concerned.

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