

# Appendix A: Comment Letters

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October 19, 2019

PLUM Councilmembers  
John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340 City Hall  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Regarding the Southern California Flower Market, ENV-2016-3991-EIR

Dear Honorable Councilmembers,

As a young person who commutes to work in Downtown LA, I am currently looking to move downtown in order to avoid long commute times. Like many others in my age range, however, I am priced out of the expensive Arts District and the South Park area. The Flower Market project appears to provide a new opportunity to live Downtown.

I am resubmitting this letter to the Planning and Land Use Committee to reiterate my strong support for the Southern California Flower Market project and to encourage you to approve the project as proposed. Unfortunately, many young urban residents are limited in the selection of good housing opportunities close to work, especially when it comes to affordability. This project helps to alleviate such pressures by introducing new affordable housing options into the Flower District neighborhood.

In addition to better housing options in the area, this project will help to improve the livability and walkability of the Flower District. The proposed pedestrian level amenities and open space improve the aesthetic of the streetscape. The project will contribute to the overall improvement of Downtown.

Please support new housing opportunities to benefit the younger residents that are tirelessly searching for affordable options. Please support this project.

Regards,

Alexandra Hack



October 28, 2021

Los Angeles City Council  
John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340 City Hall  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Re: Southern California Flower Market, ENV-2016-3991-EIR

Dear Honorable City Councilmembers,

On behalf of the LA Fashion District Business Improvement District, we are writing to once again express support for Planning Case # ENV-2016-3991-EIR, Southern California Flower Market located at 709-765 S. Wall Street, 306-326 E. 7th Street and 750-752 S. Maple Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90014. The LA Fashion District BID is a non-profit organization that represents 4000+ businesses and 700+ property owners. It provides cleaning and security services for the 100 block district, including the Flower District.

The Southern California Flower Market project is a transformative project for our district. The project is located adjacent to a "residential hub". The redevelopment is innovative in scope by adding much-needed housing to downtown Los Angeles while maintaining its roots in the flower markets. This project will also add more of a 24/7 vibe to a vibrant, mostly daytime neighborhood.

Since the previous approval two years ago, our neighborhood has seen an increase in homeless impacts, civil unrest, and pandemic that has decimated business. Our District is in need of a project as presented here. This previously approved investment the Flower Market is making is exactly what our neighborhood needs. Vote yes again and allow this project to break ground.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Anthony Rodriguez", is written over a white background. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Anthony Rodriguez  
Executive Director

cc: Fashion District Board of Directors

Fashion District Business Improvement District  
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**Willie Sanchez Wholesale Flowers**  
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October 25, 2021

City Council- Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340 City Hall  
Los Angeles, California 90012

RE: Case File - ENV-2016-3991-EIR

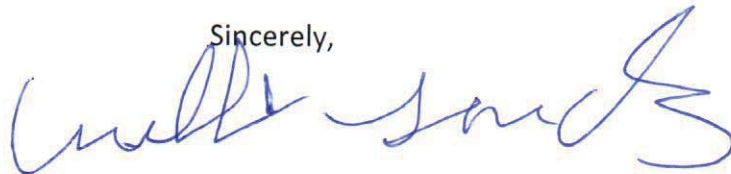
Dear PLUM Commissioners,

My name is Willie Sanchez and I have been a tenant in the Flower Market for over 50 years. As a matter of fact, I was the first Latino tenant permitted to open a wholesale flower business in the Flower Market during the 1970's. Back then, the only tenants in the market were actual flower growers. But because of the relationships I made with a lot of the Japanese American flower growers back then, they advocated for me to have my own space. I am also proud to say my family and me are shareholders in the Flower Market as well.

Since I am a first-generation Mexican immigrant, my experience is very similar to the Japanese immigrants who came before me in the early 1900's. That is why I believe they gave me a chance to open a business in the market. Today, almost half of our tenant base is of Latino descent. Therefore, it is vital to the entire community that you approve this project.

Since my son and daughter have taken over the business, it is important the Flower Market survives so their children will have the same opportunities given to me and my family. Please approve this project so our traditions and cultural values will live on for the next 100 years.

Sincerely,



Willie Sanchez



October 20, 2021

City Council- Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340 City Hall  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Honorable Los Angeles PLUM Committee members,

I hope this letter finds you well as we all endured and prepare for the end of an almost 2-year global pandemic that has impacted us all immensely. I am once again writing to you today, during the second Comment Period for this project and almost two years since my last letter to reiterate my unequivocal support for the previously approved Southern California Flower Market project (ENV-2016-3991-EIR) and to again encourage you approve the project as unanimously approved by Council on 11/26/2019.

I have owned and operated several family businesses in downtown since 1986 and my family has been in business in the area since 1948. Currently, I'm a board member of the LA Fashion District (BID) and the owner of the California Flower Mall located within two blocks of the Project Site. As a neighboring property owner, we welcome and clamor for the improvements this project will bring to the neighborhood as they will have numerous positive effects on my business as well as the overall area.

For many years, we have worked very hard with our fellow business owners along with the Fashion District (BID) to provide a clean and safe environment for business to survive and supporting our local economy, despite the day-to-day issues we all face. These issues have only continued to explode since this project's previous approval due to the impacts of Covid and rising housing costs. The day-to-day issues we face cannot be addressed by one project, but the investment the Flower Market brings will help to move our local businesses and residents in the right direction. We understand no one is an island, and this positive investment improves the quality of life for all local stakeholders.

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By once again supporting this previously approved development, you support the much-needed attention and investment in and around our neighborhood. This project, like many others close by, will increase business vitality and local amenities in our area, provide much needed housing in the downtown core, and most importantly provide a clean and safe environment for the area and stakeholders.

We look to you to approve this project again and let the positivity of investment finally take shape in a neighborhood that for far too long has been neglected.

Vote yes and support our neighborhood.

Regards,



Mark Chatoff  
President, California Flower Mall  
Founding Board Member LA Fashion District (BID)

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October 26, 2021

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Re: Southern California Flower Market, ENV-2016-3991-EIR

On behalf of the Central City East Association and the Downtown Industrial Business Improvement District (BID), we are writing to once again express support for the previously approved Southern California Flower Market mixed use investment project, Planning Case # ENV-2016-3991-EIR.

The L.A. Downtown Industrial District Business Improvement District (BID) was formed in 1998 by the Central City East Association (CCEA). CCEA is a 501(c)(6) not-for-profit business corporation – the principal advocate for property owners, businesses, employees and residents on 50 blocks of Downtown Los Angeles. CCEA administers the BID, spanning the area from San Pedro Street to Alameda; 3rd to 8th and a portion of Olympic Blvd. The BID is widely recognized as the leading advocate for improving the public safety and maintenance of the industrial area. Our coalition of 600 area property owners invest more than \$3 million annually to supplement City services in an effort to maintain the safety and cleanliness of a business district.

The Southern California Flower Market investment is a game-changing project that shows how far the Flower District has come and the promise of the Flower District to serve future generations of Angelenos. Recognizing that, our BID Board voted its unanimous support of this project on August 29, 2017, and we restate our support now.

The BID urges the City Council to take this opportunity to strongly support housing, investment, and stakeholder amenities that will help the Flower District thrive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Estela Lopez".

Estela Lopez  
Executive Director



**POPPY + ROSE**  
LOS ANGELES

October 24, 2021

City Council- Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340 City Hall  
Los Angeles, California 90012

RE: ENV-2016-3991-EIR

Dear City Council PLUM Members,

I write to you today to once again voice my support for the proposed Southern California Flower Market project. I encourage you and the full City Council to approve this project.

My wife Kwini and I have owned and operated the Poppy & Rose restaurant in the SoCal Flower Market for over 7 years. We have been touted (numerous times) as one of the best Brunch restaurants in the greater Los Angeles area and pride ourselves as a black owned business. While running my high-end catering company eight years ago, I sought to look for a kitchen to continue growing my business. In 2014, the Flower Market took a chance and leased space to us, and Poppy + Rose was birthed. We have not looked back since and we are in the process of opening our third location in the new San Pedro waterfront development.

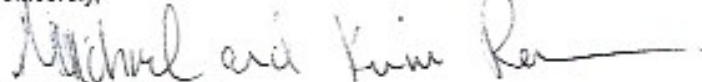
Any improvements to the neighborhood that will have a positive impact on our business (which this investment certainly will have) is always welcomed.

For years, we have worked with our fellow business owners to support our local economy while addressing the day to day issues we all face in the area.

By supporting this development, you support the natural growth occurring in and all around our downtown Los Angeles area. This project will not only increase business and local amenities in our area but will provide much needed housing that meets the income level our area desperately needs. Most importantly, this project will provide an increase in security and safety for all neighboring stakeholders by revitalizing the neighborhood.

Please support this project as it encourages the organic and continued growth of our local neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

 10/28/21

Michael & Kwini Reed,

Owner, Poppy + Rose



# Keep the Southern California Flower Market in Los Angeles

ENV-2016-3991-EIR



 **Keith Saito** started this petition to Los Angeles City Council

As members of the local Asian American community, we submit this petition and urge the City Council to approve the Flower Market project. In the 1940's, the Japanese families who owned the market nearly lost the property when they were imprisoned in internment camps. They are at risk of losing the property again as they can no longer afford to maintain the upkeep of their old buildings.

**PLEASE DO NOT** hold the Asian American owners of the Flower Market to a higher standard than applied to other projects. Approve this project today and help the flower market continue on with its storied legacy!


408 have signed. Let's get to 500!




At 500 signatures, this petition is more likely to be **featured in recommendations!**



Los Angeles City Council: Keep the Southern California Flower ...

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Andrew Luna	Riverside	CA	92506	US	10/11/2021
Makiko Iwasaki	Manhattan Beach	CA	90266	US	10/11/2021
Christine Kelly	Brea	CA	92821	US	10/12/2021
Connor Kelly	Aliso Viejo	CA	92656	US	10/12/2021
Sally Wen	Woodland Hills	CA	91364	US	10/12/2021
Brenda Choi	Las Vegas	NV		US	10/12/2021
Michelle K	Los Angeles	CA	90015	US	10/12/2021
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Irene Nakagawa	Sierra Madre	CA	91024	US	10/13/2021
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Richard Watanabe	Arcadia	CA	91006	US	10/13/2021
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Mia Natsume	El Segundo	CA	90245	US	10/13/2021
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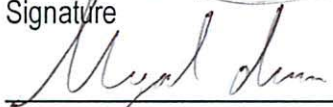
# PRESERVE OUR JOBS!!

If you do not approve the Flower Market project, they will consider a land sale to the highest bidder. If such is the case, our jobs will be lost forever. **BY APPROVING THIS PROJECT**, it will not only retain our jobs, but create hundreds of **NEW JOBS** based on the project's description and scope.

**HELP US KEEP OUR JOBS BY APPROVING THE PROJECT!**


  
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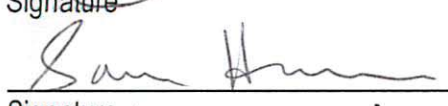
  
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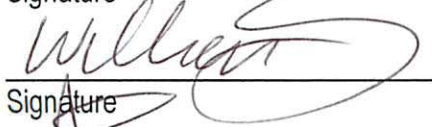
  
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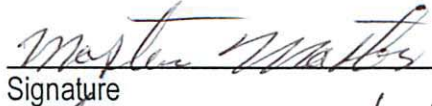
  
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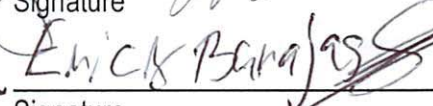
  
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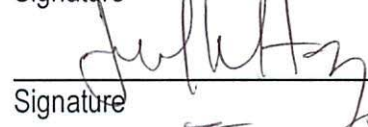
  
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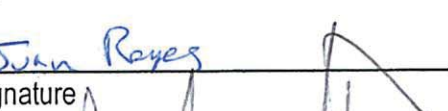
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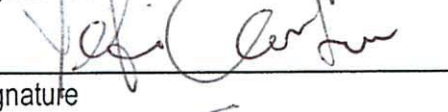
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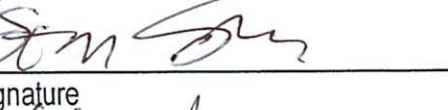
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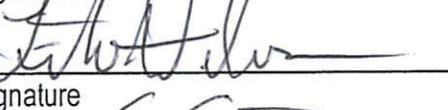
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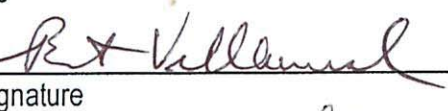
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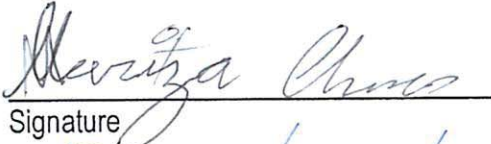
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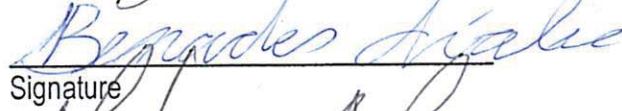
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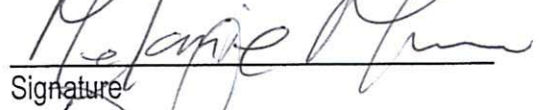
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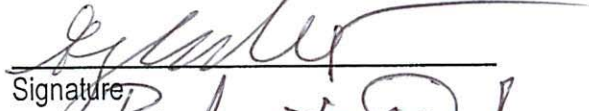
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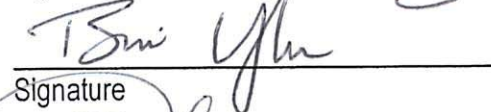
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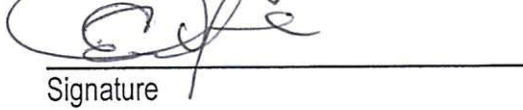
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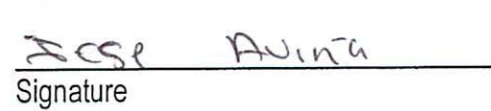
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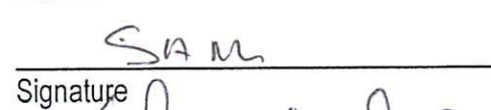
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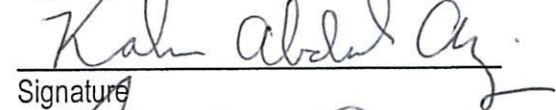
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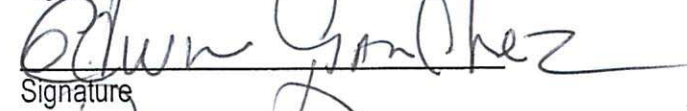
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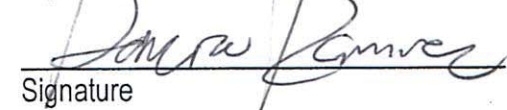
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**APPROVE THE PROJECT AND KEEP THE FLOWER MARKET IN DTLA!**

Dear Los Angeles City Council,

We urge you to approve the Flower Market project and keep it in DTLA. We use the market almost daily and it is imperative to our business that the flower market remain in a central location. If it were to move (i.e., to Orange County), this would be devastating to us since any place else would be too far to travel.

Please add me to the list of supporters and count on my support with future efforts that will keep the Flower Market in DTLA.

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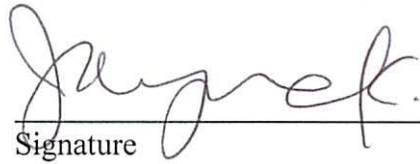
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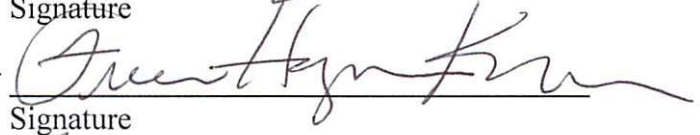
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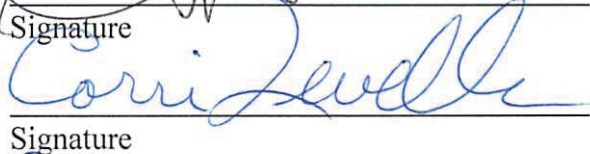
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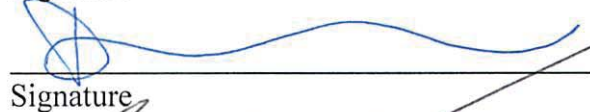
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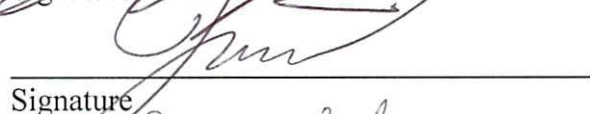
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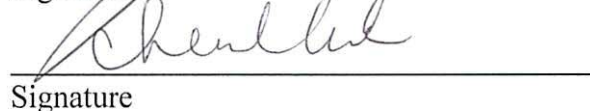
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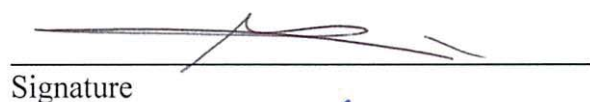
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ENV-2016-3991-EIR

October, 2021

Los Angeles City Council  
200 N. Spring Ave.  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

As members of the local Asian American community, we submit this petition and urge the City Council to approve the Flower Market project. In the 1940's, the Japanese families who owned the market nearly lost the property when they were imprisoned in internment camps. They are at risk of losing the property again as they can no longer afford to maintain the upkeep of their old buildings.

**PLEASE DO NOT** hold the Asian American owners of the Flower Market to a higher standard than applied to other projects. Approve this project today and help the flower market continue on with its storied legacy!

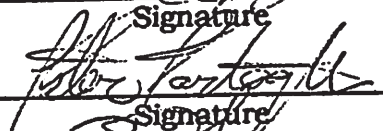
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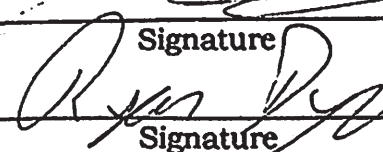
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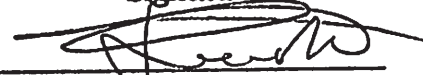
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# Support and Keep the So Cal Flower Market in DTLA!



 **Southern California Flower Market** started this petition to City of Los Angeles Planning Department

The Southern California Flower Market has been a mainstay of the Fashion and Flower District of Los Angeles for 100 years. In 2016, the Market faced a life changing decision- move out of the City to address rising costs or look to the future and redevelop the property to ensure our health and longevity. We chose to stay and build upon our legacy and future.

Two years ago our families, which make up the ownership of the Market, were granted permission by the LA City Council to redevelop the property while maintaining our wholesale flower operations. This unique process helps us modernize, expand, and keep the hundreds of jobs that surround our operations on a daily basis. This approval for the addition of 323 new and much needed housing units 64,363 square feet of office, 13,420 square feet of neighborhood service restaurant space, and approximately 25,000 square feet of multipurpose commercial space while maintaining Market operations in the City for another 100 years.

Our approval has been in jeopardy through a frivolous lawsuit and now it's our chance to share our voices publicly!

After years of litigation, the Judge has ruled we can move forward finally with minor technical tweaks to our Environmental Impact Report (EIR). Now, our previously approved project, returns to the City Council for two more hearings.


You have three opportunities to voice your support:

- 1- the EIR Comment Period (now- November 1st)
- 2- the Planning and Land Use Committee (Hearing anticipated mid-November)
- 3- the Full City Council (Hearing TBD)

Your signature helps at each Hearing and is vital to keeping the Market in Los Angeles for generations to enjoy!

25 have signed. Let's get to 100!



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October 29, 2021

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Via U.S. Mail and email to [Erin.Strelich@lacity.org](mailto:Erin.Strelich@lacity.org)

Re: Comments on PR-DEIR for ENV-2016-3991-EIR

Dear Dept. of City Planning:

On June 4, 2021, the Court, in *AIDS Healthcare Foundation v. City of Los Angeles*, Los Angeles Superior Court Case # 19STCP05445, entered judgment in favor of Petitioner AHF in a CEQA lawsuit challenging the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Flower Market Project (**Project**). The Project is a mixed-use project to develop 323 residential units and 167,248 square feet of commercial space on a site near Skid Row in Los Angeles.

The Court's judgment ordered the City to set aside its approvals of the Project, based on the Court's finding defects in the EIR's GHG and Noise sections. Respondent Southern California Flower Growers, Inc. has appealed the judgment.

On September 16, 2021, the City issued a Notice of Completion and Availability of a Partially Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report (**PR-DEIR**) for the Project. The PR-DEIR contains revisions to the EIR chapters on GHG Emissions and Noise. The purpose is to fix the defects the Court found in the original EIR.

The purpose of this letter is to comment on the PR-DEIR on behalf of our client, AIDS Healthcare Foundation.

### ***Failure to Comply with Writ***

The Writ of Mandate in the Case ordered the City to: "Decertify the environmental impact report for the Project, including the Draft EIR, No. ENV-2016-3991-EIR (SCH No. 2017051068), dated September 20, 2018, and the Final EIR, dated April 12, 2019, and set aside your approval of the Mitigation Monitoring Program and Mitigation Measures for the Flower Market Mixed Use Project."

In recirculating just the GHG and Noise chapters, the City is ignoring the Court's order to decertify the entire EIR. If the entire EIR was decertified, the City should be recirculating the whole EIR for comments and re-approval.

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***Improper Use of Appendix G as Threshold of Significance***

The PR-DEIR states, at page 4.F-33, that the “City has adopted the thresholds set forth in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines as its project specific thresholds of significance.” The City Planning Department, in early 2019, decided, without City Council approval, to adopt Guidelines Appendix G as the City’s CEQA thresholds. This decision violated the law. CEQA Guidelines § 15064.7 sets forth the requirements for a City’s adoption of thresholds of significance “that the agency uses in the determination of the significance of environmental effects.” Such thresholds must be adopted by ordinance, resolution, rule or regulation. No such formal adoption occurred in this case. Since the City did not follow the requirements of Guidelines § 15064.7 in adopting Appendix G as the City’s CEQA thresholds, the previous thresholds—those adopted in 2006—remain in effect. There are no thresholds for GHG emissions in the 2006 City of Los Angeles CEQA thresholds.

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***No Substantial Evidence Supporting Choice of Significance Thresholds***

Given that Appendix G has not actually been adopted as a standard threshold by the City, the City needs to support its adoption of the Appendix G standards in this case with substantial evidence, which they haven’t done. The PR-DEIR contains no substantial evidence justifying its choice of GHG thresholds, a CEQA violation.

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***GHG Analysis Time Frame is Too Short***

The PR-EIR’s GHG Chapter spends a lot of space analyzing the Project’s consistency with AB 32, a GHG-control measure whose time has come and gone. It mandates reductions of the state’s GHG emissions levels to 1990 levels by 2020. The goal has been achieved. It would be difficult for the Project to be inconsistent.

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Most other analysis in the GHG Chapter looks only ten years into the future. But buildings like the ones proposed for the Project, tend to last at least fifty years. The Project’s GHG analysis should extend at least thirty years from Project approval, i.e. to 2050.

***Project Suffers from the Same Defect as the Newhall Project***

The primary defect the California Supreme Court found in Newhall’s EIR was that the EIR showed the Newhall project’s mitigation measures would reduce the project’s emissions 31% below a NAT scenario, and AB32’s goal was a 29% reduction, so the EIR concluded the project’s emissions were below the AB32 threshold and thus not significant. (62 Cal.4th 204, 225.) The Court held that the EIR failed to show that a project-level reduction of 31% corresponds to a state-level reduction of 29% or greater.

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Here the EIR claims a 64% reduction from the NAT scenario, compared to SB32's target of reducing statewide GHG emissions by 40%. But there is, just as there was for Newhall, no attempt to show that a 64% reduction is an appropriate component for this project of the state-level 40% reduction. There are many reasons that housing projects like this one might be expected to reduce their GHG emissions by more than the average. There may be other sectors that can't reduce this much, so housing might need to reduce more. And, as the Newhall Court pointed out, retrofitting older construction to reduce its GHG emissions is much more costly than obtaining the same amount of GHG reduction in new construction, so new construction must reduce more than average to do its part.

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***The Project is Not Consistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan***

The EIR uses consistency with several plans as the significance threshold. In order for the Project's GHG impacts to be insignificant, the Project must comply with Executive Order B-30-15, SB 32, and CARB's 2017 Scoping plan, among others. But it's not consistent in several ways, including the following:

The CARB 2017 Scoping Plan contains a target of reducing the state's GHG emissions 80% below 1990 levels by 2050. The PR-DEIR contains no mention of this fact, and no discussion of how the Project would meet this standard

The CARB 2017 Scoping Plan contains a statewide annual GHG emissions target of 6 MTCO<sub>2e</sub>/capita in 2030, and 2 MTCO<sub>2e</sub>/capita in 2050. The Project is nowhere near meeting these targets. The project will have 323 dwelling units. If they are occupied by an average of 2.99 persons/dwelling unit,<sup>1</sup> 966 persons will occupy the Project. Even using the EIR's lowest estimate of the Project's GHG emissions, and ignoring emissions from the commercial space, the project will have 6,512 MTCO<sub>2e</sub>/year ÷ 966 persons = 6.74 MTCO<sub>2e</sub>/capita/year. In order to be consistent with the 2017 CARB Scoping Plan, the Project would need to have per-capita emissions well below the scoping plan targets, because the plan's targets include all sectors. The per-capita target must include each person's shares of emissions from transportation, electricity generation, and cement manufacture, for example, reducing the portion of each per-capita share that can be allocated towards their housing. The Project's per-capita share greatly exceeds both the 2030 and 2050 target, making the Project inconsistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan.

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<sup>1</sup> The U.S. Census bureau estimates that the average household in Los Angeles County between 2015 and 2019 contained 2.99 persons. <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/losangelescountycalifornia>

***The Project is Inconsistent with Executive Order B-55-18***

The PR-DEIR correctly states that Executive Order B-55-18 requires the state to achieve carbon neutrality by 2045. But it doesn't include that order on the list of plans, policies, and regulations the Project must be consistent with in order for its GHG emissions not to be significant. This is an important emission. The adopted threshold is whether the Project would conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purposes of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases. EO B-55-18 is such a policy.

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The PR-DEIR violates CEQA by failing to analyze the Project's consistency with EO B-55.18. Ahe Project is not consistent with it because it requires the state to achieve carbon neutrality by 2045. The Project can never achieve carbon neutrality because it would burn natural gas.

***The Project is Inconsistent with the L.A. Green New Deal Sustainability Plan 2019***

The PR-DEIR claims the project is consistent with the City of Los Angeles Green New Deal Sustainability Plan 2019.<sup>2</sup> That plan sets a goal of reducing building energy use per square foot for all building types 22% by 2025; 34% by 2035; and 44% by 2050 from a baseline of 68 mBTU/sqft in 2015. In other words, its goal is for buildings to use no more than 53 mBTU/sqft/year in 2025, 45 mBTU/sqft/year in 2035, and 38 mBTU/sqft/year in 2050.

Project will have 656,350 square feet (DEIR p. 2-2), and use 1,780,734 cubic feet of natural gas per month (Appendix I-1 p. 9). A cubic foot of natural gas produces 1.037 mBTU of energy,<sup>3</sup> so the Project will consume 22,159,454 mBTU/year of energy in the form of natural gas. The Project's estimated electricity demand is 4,257,332 kw-h/year (DEIR 4.N.4-12.) which amounts to 14,526,620 mBTU per year.<sup>4</sup> Adding these up and dividing by the square footage shows the Project's energy intensity is 55.9 mBTU/sqft/year. This figure will stay the same during the Project's lifetime. The Project will not achieve the 53 mBTU/sqft target for 2025, let alone the later targets. The Project is therefore inconsistent with the L.A. Green New Deal, so its GHG impacts are significant.

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Because the Project is inconsistent with the 2017 Scoping Plan, Executive Order B-55-18, and the L.A. Green New Deal, its emissions are significant and all feasible mitigation of the Project's GHG impacts is required. The City would violate CEQA if it certified the PR-EIR without fixing the defects discussed above.

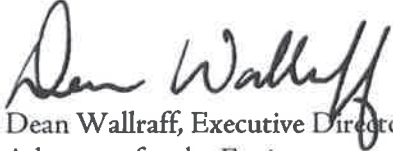
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*AHF Comments on Flower Market PR-DEIR*

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dean Wallraff". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Dean Wallraff, Executive Director  
Advocates for the Environment

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October 8, 2021

City Council – PLUM

John Ferraro Council Chamber, Room 340 City Hall

Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Honorable Councilmembers of the Planning and Land Use Committee,

My name is Lance Williams and I represent Certified Florist Supplies Inc, a business directly across the street from the Flower Market on Wall Street. I am again writing to you to support the SoCal Flower Market and the minor tweaks to Case File #ENV-2016-3991-EIR in response to the judge's requests for greater clarity.

I am astounded that we are revisiting this after the project was overwhelmingly supported and approved two years ago. This project will enhance and improve our neighborhood which, over the last decade, has deteriorated resulting in a steady erosion of business and sales. I constantly hear comments from our patrons relating to the safety, or lack thereof, of our Flower District. Many of our long-standing customers have stopped shopping in our district because they have been harassed or threatened.

This is a game changing project that raises all businesses and stakeholders in the area. It was approved two years ago but then forced to revisit Council Hearings once again. This is why our neighborhood has lost all its hope and motivation since it is impossible to invest and improve when the uphill battle is never ending.

We are hopeful that this project will re-energize the area and activate a neighborhood in desperate need of improvement. The alternative if this previously approved project is modified in any way – loss of this storied Flower Market and the vision this project brings to our neighborhood. If the Flower Market is forced to leave the area, it will create a void which will result in the slow death of a district over 100 years old.

We cannot afford to lose one of the crown jewels of Los Angeles, not to mention one of the oldest businesses in California. It would be irresponsible of the City if it lost this major economic engine and its uplifting vision. Allow this previously approved project to build and build now!

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,



Lance Williams