



Objection to 8150 Sunset Blvd. from Jon Bassinger-Flores reference City Case No. ENV-2013-2552-EIR

1 message

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1 message

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HHWNC PLUM committee comments on 8150 Sunset Blvd. DEIR

1 message

Cyd Zeigler <cydzeiglerjr@gmail.com>
To: planning.envreview@lacity.org

Mon, Jan 19, 2015 at 2:20 PM

To the LA City Planning Dept:

Attached please find the comments of the Hollywood Hills West Neighborhood Council PLUM Committee on the DEIR for 8150 Sunset Blvd. We look forward to seeing the final EIR with these issues fleshed out.

Thank you,

Cyd Zeigler
Chairman, PLUM Committee
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January 14, 2015

Department of City Planning
City of Los Angeles City Hall
200 North Spring Street, Room 750
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: 8150 Sunset Blvd. DEIR
Case numbers: CPC-2013-2551-CUB-ZV-DB-SPR & ENV-2013-2552-EIR

To the Department of City Planning:

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Cyd Zeigler
PLUM Committee Chair
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8150 Sunset DEIR

1 message

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January 19, 2015

Srimal Hewawitharana,
Department of City Planning
City Hall, Room 750
200 N. Spring Street
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Sincerely,

Camden Lambertson

Sent from my iPhone



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1 message

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