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TO: Lateef Sholebo, Project Coordinator  
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221 N. Figueroa St., Room 1500  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

FROM: Fire Department

SUBJECT: **LOS ANGELES SPORT AND ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT**  
**REFERENCE NO. SCH #2000091045 – EIR CASE NO. 2000-3577**

PROJECT LOCATION

Six (6) City blocks, located east and west of Figueroa Street b/w Olympic Boulevard on the north and Pico Boulevard on the south.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) examines the potential environmental impacts of constructing and operating the proposed Los Angeles Sports and Entertainment District (also referred to in this document as the "project"), a multi-use development, the conceptual plan of which includes: a major convention hotel with a capacity of 1,200 rooms; a second 600-room hotel; up to 1,115,000 gross square feet (GSF) of retail/entertainment/restaurant uses, including a 7,000 seat live theater; up to 870,000 GSF of residential uses (800 dwelling units); up to 300,000 GSF of office space, including medical offices and a sports medicine center; a health/sports club of up to 125,000 GSF; and open-air plaza to feature year-round venues; and, combined support parking of up to 5,305 spaces located throughout the Project site.

The following comments are furnished in response to your request for this Department to review the proposed development:

A. Fire Flow

The adequacy of fire protection for a given area is based on required fire-flow, response distance from existing fire stations, and this Department's judgment for needs in the area. In general, the required fire-flow is closely related to land use. The quantity of water necessary for fire protection varies with the type of development, life hazard, occupancy, and the degree of fire hazard.

Fire-flow requirements vary from 2,000 gallons per minute (G.P.M.) in Low Density Residential areas to 12,000 G.P.M. in high-density commercial or industrial areas. A minimum residual water pressure of 20 pounds per square inch (P.S.I.) is to remain in the water system, with the required gallons per minute flowing. The required fire-flow for this project has been set at 4,000 G.P.M. from 4 fire hydrants flowing simultaneously.

B. Response Distance

The Fire Department has existing fire stations at the following locations for initial response into the area of the proposed development:

Fire Station No. 10  
1335 S. Olive Street  
Los Angeles, CA  
Task Force Truck and Engine Company  
Paramedic Rescue Ambulance  
EMT Rescue Ambulance  
Staff – 14  
Miles – 0.7

Fire Station No. 9  
430 E. 7th Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90014  
Task Force Truck and Engine Company  
Paramedic Rescue Ambulance  
Battalion 1 Headquarters  
Staff – 13  
Miles – 1.1

Fire Station No. 3  
108 N. Fremont Avenue  
Los Angeles  
Task Force Truck and Engine Company  
Paramedic Rescue Ambulance  
EMT Rescue Ambulance - Division Headquarters  
Staff – 15  
Miles – 1.1

The above distances were computed to Figueroa and Olympic Boulevard.

C. Firefighting Access, Apparatus, and Personnel.

At least two different ingress/egress roads for each area, which will accommodate major fire apparatus and provide for major evacuation during emergency situations, shall be required.

Adequate off-site public and on-site private fire hydrants may be required. Their number and location to be determined after the Fire Department's review of the plot plan.

Submit plot plans indicating access road and turning area for Fire Department approval.

Fire lanes, where required and dead ending streets shall terminate in a cul-de-sac or other approved turning area. No dead ending street or fire lane shall be greater than 700 feet in length or secondary access shall be required.

CONCLUSION

The proposed project shall comply with all applicable State and local codes and ordinances, and the guidelines found in the Fire Protection and Fire Prevention Plan, as well as the Safety Plan, both of which are elements of the General Plan of the City of Los Angeles C.P.C. 19708).

For additional information, please contact Inspector Kevin Hamilton of the Construction Services Unit at (213) 485-5964.

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