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LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

INITIAL STUDY AND CHECKLIST

(Article IV - City CEQA Guidelines)

		COUNCIL DISTR	ICT	DATE
Department of City Planning				DATE
		5		November 14, 2001
RESPONSIBLE AGENCIES		·		14, 2001
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				1-4020-DFK
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DETERMINATION (To be completed by Lead Agency)

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

- ☐ I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- ☑ I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions on the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.
- □ I find the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required.
- D I find the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.
- I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.

City Planning Associate

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EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

SIGNATURE

- A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less that significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.
- "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of a mitigation measure has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from Section XVII, "Earlier Analysis," cross referenced).
- Earlier analysis must be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR, or negative declaration. Section 15063 (c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.

- Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
- Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less Than Significant With Mitigation Measures c) Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential 6) impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated
- Supporting Information Sources: A sources list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals 7) contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should 8) normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whichever format is selected.
- 9) The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - The significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and b)
 - The mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance.

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

	Hazards & Hazardous Materials	■ Public Services
☐ Agricultural Resources	☑ Hydrology/Water Quality	□ Recreation
Air Quality	□ Land Use/Planning	
☑ Biological Resources	☐ Mineral Resources	☑ Transportation/Traffic ☑ Utilities/Service Systems
□ Cultural Resources	™ Noise	Mandatory Findings of Significance
☑ Geology/Soils	☐ Population/Housing	Trindings of Significance
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BACKGROUND PROPONENT NAME Dan Niemann/Kevin Lindquist PROPONENT ADDRESS 2049 Century Park East, Suite 2650, I		PHONE NUMBER (310) 407–1604
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	Potentially Significant impact	Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
c. Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the air basin is non-attainment (ozone, carbon monoxide, & PM 10) under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?			Ø	
d. Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?		⊠	۵	
e. Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?				⊠
IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES. Would the project:				
a. Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modification, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife				⊠
Service ?				
b. Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in the City or regional plans, policies, regulations by the California				×
Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?		e	d*	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
c. Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh vernal pool, coastal, etc.) Through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?	٥			eloc Muesia
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d. Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?				. ⊠ 4.0 %.12
e. Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting	pro e e		ing the state of t	
biological resources, such as tree preservation policy or ordinance (e.g., oak trees or California walnut woodlands)?		×		
f. Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?		<u> </u>		図
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V. CULTURAL RESOURCES: Would the project:	•			
2 Cause a substantial advance l			u.	
a. Cause a substantial adverse change in significance of a historical resource as defined in State CEQA §15064.5?			0 !	3

	Potentially Significant Impact	Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
b. Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?		×		
c. Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?			ū	⊠
d. Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?			0	×
e. For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				Ø .
f. For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for the people residing or working in the area?	۵			×
g. Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?				⊠
h. Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires, including where wildlands are adjacent to urbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?	<u> </u>			
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VIII. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY. Would the proposal result in:				Perfection of the second of th
a. Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?		D	. 🔯	
b. Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned land uses for which permits have been granted)?				
c. Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?			Ø	

XI. NOISE. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Polentially Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impaci
a. Exposure of persons to or generation of noise in level in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?		⊠ .		
b. Exposure of people to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?			M	
c. A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?	. 🗖		⊠	
d. A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?		Ø		
e. For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				Ø
f. For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?	٥			Ø
XII. POPULATION AND HOUSING. Would the project: a. Induce substantial population growth in an area either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?		D		
b. Displace substantial numbers of existing housing necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?				
c. Displace substantial numbers of people necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?			- -	
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XIII. PUBLIC SERVICES. Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for any of the public services:				
a. Fire protection?		×		
b. Police protection?		2		· ·

XVI. UTILITIES. Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Powwally Significant Unless Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
a. Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?				
b. Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?				⊠
c. Require or result in the construction of new stormwater drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?		፟⊠		
d. Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resource, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?	Ö	. 0	0	×
e. Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?		<u> </u>	-0	×
f. Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?		Ø	. ·	
g. Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?		0	Ø	
XVII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE.		·		
a. Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of		⊠		
a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?			**************************************	
b. Does the project have impacts which are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of an individual project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects).		Z		
c. Does the project have environmental effects which cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?				M

FISH AND GAME FEE (AB 3158)

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Based on the Initial Study prepared by the Environmental Staff, it is recommended that the project be:

- (X) Exempt from the Fish and Game Fee*
- () Not Exempt from the Fish and Game Fee

Items checked on the Initial Study Checklist (circle when appropriate):

AIR QUALITY: III a III b III c (III d

BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES: IV a IV b IV c IV d IV e (IV f)

GEOLOGY AND SOILS: VI ai-aiv VI b VI c IV d VI e

HAZARDS & HAZARDOUS MATERIALS: VII a VII b VII c VII d VII e VII f VII g VII h

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MANDATORY FINDINGS: (XVII a) (XVII b) XVII C

^{*} A Certificate of Fee Exemption will be prepared by the environmental staff

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME CERTIFICATE OF FEE EXEMPTION De Minimis Impact Finding

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PROJECT TITLE (INCLUDING ITS COMMON NAME, IF ANY)	MND NO.
TRACT/PARCEL MAP NO.	
ZA NO.	ENV-2001-4027-MND
PROJECT DESCRIPTION	
Site Plan Review to allow the demolition of 678,822 square-fe story buildings; to be replaced with the construction of 768, cultural space located within a 15-story building, other approvabut not limited to a vesting tentative tract map or other su renovation of the existing plaza. The project will provide 5,843 of 6,294 spaces. The proposal is to redevelop 9.2 acres of the and within the Century City North Specific Plan.	1947 square-feet of office, restaurant, retail, and als, or permits necessary for the project, including behavior permits. The project also includes the
PROJECT ADDRESS	
2000 Avenue of the Stars located between Constellation Boule COUNTY OF LOS ANG	evard and Olympic Boulevard; West Los Angeles
APPLICANT NAME AND ADDRESS	
Trammell Crow 2049 Century Park East, Suite 2650 Los Angeles, CA 90067	
FINDINGS OF EXEMPTIONS Based on the Initial Study prepared by the City Planning Dep 14, 2001 it is determined that the subject project, which is adverse impact in wildlife resources or their habitat as define and Game Code, Because: [] The Initial Study prepared for the project identifies no as far as earth, air, water, plant life, animal life, or ri	ed by Fish and Game Code Section 711.2 of the Fish
[X] Measures are required as part of this approval which of insignificance.	will mitigate the above mentioned impacts, to a level
[] The project site, as well as the surrounding area (is p and does not provide a natural habitat for either fish	resently) (was) developed with residential structures or wildlife.
CERTIFICATION	
I hereby certify that the Los Angeles Planning Department has upon the initial study and hearing record the project will not in wildlife resources, as defined in Section 711.2 of the Fish an	MINMUSE OF ALIMANDER COLLEGE C
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DATE OF PREPARATION	PRINT NAME
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