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## GEOLOGY REPORT APPROVAL LETTER

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LOCATION:

1756 and 1760 Argyle Avenue

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Dept. Correction Letter	85579	09/17/2014	LADBS
Geology Report	LA-1183A	09/07/2014	Group Delta

The Grading Division of the Department of Building and Safety has reviewed the referenced reports that present a fault rupture investigation at 1756 and 1760 Argyle Avenue for the future devolvement of the property. The site is currently occupied by 2-story apartment buildings.

The property is located within an Official Earthquake Fault Zone that was established (November 6, 2014) by the California Geological Survey for the Hollywood fault (on the USGS 7.5 minute Hollywood Quadrangle). The investigation included a transect of CPT soundings and continuous core borings in the west portion of the site and an exploration trench along the western edge. Additional exploration was conducted to address the Department correction letter dated 09/17/2014, which included three continuous core borings, three bucket auger borings and a trench just east of the site. Dr. Roy Shlemon (a well-known expert in soil stratigraphy, age-dating of soils and assessment of geologic hazards) provided a detailed soil stratigraphic/pedological analysis by to estimate the age of the soil horizons encountered in the recent trench. Data from offsite projects investigated by Group Delta were also used for the geologic analysis of the site.

The investigation documents folding and faulting of Pleistocene "older" alluvium (designated Qoal in the report). The age of the folding and faulting is estimated to be greater than 135,000 to 150,000

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years. No active (Holocene) faults were observed on the site or nearby the site. Therefore, no building restrictions were recommended by Group Delta.

The referenced reports are acceptable, provided the following conditions are complied with during site development:

(Note: Numbers in parenthesis () refer to applicable sections of the 2014 City of LA Building Code. P/BC numbers refer the applicable Information Bulletin. Information Bulletins can be accessed on the internet at LADBS.ORG.)

- 1. Prior to issuance of any permit, a soil engineering report shall be submitted to the Grading Division to provide design recommendations for the proposed grading/construction.
- 2. During construction, the project engineering geologist shall observe all excavations that expose the natural alluvial soils to verify the conclusions of the fault investigation and that no Holocene faults are exposed. The project engineering geologist shall post a notice on the job site for the City Grading Inspector and the Contractor stating that the excavation (or portion thereof) has been observed and documented and meets the conditions of the report. No fill or lagging shall be placed until the LADBS Grading Inspector has verified the documentation.
- 3. A supplemental report that summarizes the geologist's observations (including photographs and simple logs of excavations) shall be submitted to the Grading Division of the Department upon completion of the excavations. If evidence of active faulting is observed, the Grading Division shall be notified immediately. (7009)

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