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March 13, 2020

RE: **Postponement of the March 19, 2020 Scoping Meeting for the Albany Project**
(1330 W. Pico Boulevard, 1308-1348 S. Albany Street, Los Angeles, CA 90015)
Case No. ENV-2018-3456-EIR

Dear Stakeholder,

This letter is to inform you that due to the current global health crisis from the 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), the Department of City Planning has decided to cancel or postpone all Department-sponsored public community events, such as outreach events, community plan update workshops, or other group meetings until further notice. Additionally, all public hearings will be cancelled or continued until further notice.

The Department of City Planning previously planned to hold a Scoping Meeting for the Albany Project on March 19, 2020, from 5 pm to 7 pm, located at the Pico Union Project (1153 Valencia Street, Los Angeles CA 90015). As a result of the COVID-19 health crisis, **the March 19, 2020, Scoping Meeting for the Albany Project has been postponed until further notice.** The Department of City Planning will provide an updated time, date, and location for the Scoping Meeting for the Project when the City has deemed conditions to be safe.

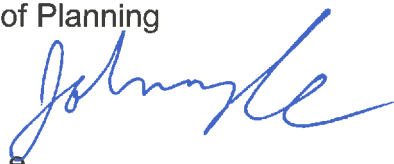
Project Description

The Project involves the demolition of an approximately 150,257-square-foot, three-story office building (which has been vacant since 2016) with rooftop and surface parking located on an 114,132-gross-square-foot (2.62-acre) rectangular-shaped site and the construction of a 37-story (480-foot-tall building), 722,005-square-foot (6.45:1 FAR), mixed-use development with a five-level podium and a tower located on the north side of the Project Site. The development would include a 730-guest room hotel, 63,356 square feet of conference space, 5,405 square feet of office (hotel administration) space, 19,665 square feet of restaurant and bar use, and 9,325 square feet of spa/fitness space. Parking would be provided within four subterranean parking levels (approximately 43 feet in depth). The Project would provide short-term and long-term bicycle parking spaces located adjacent to the public right-of-way on Pico Boulevard and Albany Street and within the proposed parking levels. The Project would include the excavation and export of 168,400 cubic yards of soil from the Project Site. A City-initiated sign district would also

be implemented on the Project Site and the adjacent single-family home (1350 Albany Street) and church (1356 Albany Street and 1315 14th Street) sites that make up the full city block. No other change would be made to the residential use or church. The Project also would include a comprehensive signage program. The Project includes a boundary change to the Pico - Union Historic Preservation Overlay Zone to remove a portion of the site from the district.

Sincerely,

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