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Re: CF 14-0656, Extending ICOs

Honorable Councilmembers:

The Federation of Hillside and Canyon Associations, Inc., established in 1952 and representing 43 resident and homeowner associations spanning the Santa Monica Mountains is deeply concerned about the current loopholes in both the Baseline Hillside Ordinance (BHO) and the Baseline Mansionization Ordinance (BMO). Both ordinances are intended to assure that any development that occurs in the area is appropriate for the size and slope of the lot. Amendments have been proposed to both the BHO and the BMO. The process of completing those amendments needs to be expedited to protect *all* communities from inappropriate development.

Until such time as the BHO and BMO are amended, the Interim Control Ordinances should be extended to provide protection to those neighborhoods. However, ultimately the protection needs to be extended to *all* communities by amending the BHO and BMO.

Sincerely,

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