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City Planning Commission cpc@lacity.org

February 11, 2021

Re: #6 CPC-2016-1450-CPU Hollywood Community Plan

Dear Commissioners:

The Hillside Federation, founded in 1952, represents 46 resident and homeowner associations spanning the Santa Monica Mountains. The Mission of the Federation is to encourage and promote those policies and programs which will best preserve the natural topography and wildlife of the mountains and hillsides for the benefit of all the people of Los Angeles.

One of the most important issues in the Hollywood Community Plan is a technical matter. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy (SMMC) and the Mountains Recreation and Conservation Authority (MRCA) frequently purchase parcels of land as they become available to preserve as Open Space. First, please make sure that the Plan clearly states that the SMMC has first right of refusal when vacant parcels become available. Second, once a parcel is purchased by the SMMC or MRCA, the Plan needs to state that the zoning of the parcel, regardless of its zoning prior to the purchase, be changed on all official records to Open Space.

These are procedures that are supposed to be happening now; however the Federation wants to see them codified in the Hollywood Community Plan for clarity.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sincerely,

Charley Mims