

## Letter:

**The Studio City Neighborhood Council (SCNC) recognizes and supports expanding housing opportunities, reducing housing costs, increasing mobility, and making our neighborhood more walkable; however, we are deeply concerned with the following directives presented through the motion:**

- The directive to the Los Angeles City Planning Department to consider by-right or administrative development and zoning standards. SCNC encourages a discretionary review process as opposed to by-right or administrative to protect the unique nature of Studio City and other neighborhoods by allowing community input on projects in their community, especially in existing specific plan areas.**
- The existing specific plans need to be complied with, protected, and not overlaid by a Livable Communities Initiative (LCI). Under the current motion, there is no mention of protecting current plans, such as the Ventura-Cahuenga Corridor Specific Plan relating to Studio City.**
- Having “mitigations” included for lots located within a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (VHFHSZ) is a significant concern for our community as well as the other categories noted, such as identified historic districts or areas designated as open space. We ask that subject lots be excluded from the LCI. The current motion reads, “Exclude and/or mitigate.” In short, we believe the LCI concept should only apply to commercially zoned properties and that environmental triggers should not be ignored.**

Sincerely,

**Scott Mandell, President  
Studio City Neighborhood Council**