



Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council

"Your Community Voice"

June 21, 2010

Councilmember Paul Koretz
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Councilmember,

The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council would like to thank you for the leadership you are showing with regard to SB 1818. Our Council has long been concerned about the legislation itself and also the way in which it has been implemented within the City of Los Angeles. We appreciate and support both CF 10-0002-S28 and 09-0966-S1.

We do, however have some recommended amendments to both motions. Attached are copies of the two motions we unanimously adopted at our last Board meeting containing those recommended additions. With regard to CF [10-0002-S28](#) we would like to point out that there is precedent for State Legislation that only applies to the City of Los Angeles.

Please feel free to contact me at 310-831-1975 if you would like more information about our thinking. We appreciate your taking these suggestions into consideration and look forward to hearing what actions are taken by the City Council.

Sincerely,

Diana Nave
Secretary & Chair of Planning & Land Use Committee

Dan Dixon
President

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Vice President

Craig Goldfarb
Treasurer

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Secretary

MOTION Related to CF 10-0002-S28:

The Northwest San Pedro Neighborhood Council supports CF [10-0002-S28](#) and requests that the City of Los Angeles include SUPPORT for the repeal of the State Density Bonus Law (SB 1818) in its State Legislative Program for 2009-10 and 2010-11. NWSPNC further requests that the motion be amended to add the following language: “In the event that there is insufficient support statewide to repeal the law, the City should propose an amendment that would create a method for exemptions. Possible bases for exemptions could include: 1) municipalities over a certain size, 2) determination by a municipality that they wanted to opt out, or 3) charter cities.”

MOTION with regard to CF 09-0966-S1:

The NWSPNC supports [09-0966-S1](#) and consistent with prior actions (August 10, 2010) requests that it be amended to include the following:

1. All projects requiring a discretionary approval should be required to include the impacts that will be generated by using the maximum density bonus applicable to the project;
2. Any changes to a project such as [but not limited to] increasing floor to area ratio, decreasing side yard setbacks, or increasing floors, be subject to review and input by Neighborhood Councils and others, as required by environmental laws.
3. All Local Community Plans and Specific Plans include the density bonuses in the zoning calculations and designations.

MOTION Regarding Zoning Code Simplification:

The NWSPNC recommends that the proposed City Planning Commission June 10, 2010 study session on the Code Simplification Work Program and corresponding ordinances and the proposed schedule of July, August and September be delayed 90 days to perform Charter mandated outreach and exchange of feedback with all Neighborhood Councils and include consideration of the impact of SB 1818.