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RE: MARTIN CADILLAC PROJECT DEIR SCOPING COMMENTS ENV 2012-3063-EIR

At the regularly scheduled Board meeting held April 9, 2013, the Mar Vista Community Council adopted the following policy motion and scoping comments unanimously:

The Project is out-of-scale and out-of-character with the current Community Plan and will cause excessive cumulative negative impact on the health, safety, traffic and infrastructure of West Los Angeles and the neighboring communities like Mar Vista. We request that prior to the City Planning Commission, Planning Department or their Advisory Agencies issuing any approvals or recommendation of approvals regarding the Martin Project (and its proposed Tract Map adjustments and zoning variances) that the Planning Department reconsider the proposed Project's impacts to the surrounding West Los Angeles and Mar Vista area and adjacent communities in relation to CEQA; Community Redevelopment Agency guidelines; and the Community Plan for the area.

The Mar Vista Community Council is outraged that the traffic consultant's proposed intersections study, presented at the scoping meeting held April 3, 2013 for the Martin Cadillac project, essentially stopped at the 10 freeway.

The traffic study completed by an independent consultant on the now defunct Bundy Village project demonstrated unmistakably that traffic impacts of major development projects on the Olympic corridor in West Los Angeles do extend south beyond the 10 to include Mar Vista neighborhoods.

The Mar Vista Community Council therefor stresses any proposed project traffic study prepared for Case Number ENV 2012-3063-EIR, the Martin Cadillac project located at 12101 W. Olympic Blvd., West Los Angeles cannot be deemed adequate or complete under CEQA unless it includes the following intersections:

- Bundy/Centinela** @ Gateway/OP Bl; Pearl; National; Venice; Washington Pl; Palms
- McLaughlin/Barrington** @ National; Palms; Venice
- National** @ Sawtelle; Sepulveda
- Pico** @ Sawtelle; Sepulveda
- Palms** @ Sepulveda
- Sepulveda** @ Venice

MVCC notes the study should additionally include the impacts of Expo trains on delays to the traffic flow at the Barrington grade level Expo crossing.

MVCC further maintains the DEIR cannot be adequate or complete under CEQA unless the cumulative regional impacts upon traffic and infrastructure [electricity, water, sewerage, parks, schools, police, fire and other public services] of existing and proposed projects along the Pico and Olympic corridors—including existing and proposed development projects in Western Santa Monica and Beverly Hills—are studied and evaluated.

Kind regards,

Sharon Commins, Chair
Mar Vista Community Council