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RE: Ginkgo Stonehouse Residential Project
(TTM No. 65348)
SCH # 2023100084
Vic. LA-210/PM R31.91
GTS # LA-2023-04854-DEIR

Dear Clare Lin:

Thank you for including the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the environmental review process for the above-referenced environmental document. The Project proposes to demolish the 4 existing single-family detached units and to develop nine 9 single-family residential detached lots on approximately nine 9 acres of land.

The mission of Caltrans is to provide a safe and reliable transportation network that serves all people and respects the environment. Senate Bill 743 (2013) has codified into CEQA law and mandated that CEQA review of transportation impacts of proposed development be modified by using Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) as the primary metric in identifying transportation impacts for all future development projects. As a reminder, all environmental document should include Vehicle Miles Traveled. You may reference the Governor's Office of Planning and Research (OPR) for more information:

<https://opr.ca.gov/ceqa/#guidelines-updates>

Based on Caltrans' review of the trip generation estimates, a transportation impact analysis is only required when a project is expected to generate more than 110 daily vehicle trips. The proposed project is estimated to generate approximately 47 net daily trips, which is well below this threshold. Therefore,

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Caltrans concurs that a transportation impact analysis is not warranted. Given the low trip generation, the project is not anticipated to create any significant adverse effects on the operations of the surrounding roadway network or intersections, and no further vehicle miles traveled (VMT) analysis is necessary.

Any transportation of heavy construction equipment and/or materials that require the use of oversized transport vehicles on State highways will need a Caltrans transportation permit. Any large-size truck trips be limited to off-peak commute periods for the construction phase and operation phase. Construction truck loads should be covered with a tarpaulin cover. Storm water run-off is a sensitive issue for Los Angeles County. Please be mindful that projects should be designed to discharge clean run-off water.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Alan Lin, the project coordinator, at (213) 269-1124 and refer to GTS # LA-2023-04854-DEIR.

Sincerely,



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