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Subject: Stocker Street Creative Environmental Impact; SCH# 2025110100

Dear Kyle Winston,

After thorough review of the draft Environmental Impact Report for the Stocker Street Creative, I would like to share the following concerns on behalf of the California Highway Patrol (CHP) West Los Angeles Area. For background purposes, my responsibilities include oversight of all State and County roadways within Los Angeles County, as it relates to traffic safety, congestion relief and enforcement of the California Penal Code and Vehicle Code. Our mission as an agency is to prevent and minimize the loss of life, injuries and property damage. As such, I have identified significant potential impact to public safety based on proposed projects:

Proximity and size of the "Stocker Street Creative" to Interstate 405, State Route 90, and the unincorporated area of Baldwin Hills within the jurisdiction of the CHP – West Los Angeles Area.

With the proposal listed above, the location of this project is in the immediate vicinity to Interstate 405 freeway and State Route 90, with multiple major thorough ways being directly affected. The Stocker Street Creative boundaries are Stocker Street on the south border, Don Felipe Drive along the west border, and Santa Rosalia Drive along the east border, with major throughways for Crenshaw Boulevard and Slauson Avenue, as well as Interstate 405, and State Route 90 freeways. Such project would be expected to last several years, from start to finish, and will without a doubt pose a tremendous visual hazard, reduce traffic lanes/traffic flow capabilities and impose numerous changes to the known traffic pattern in the area. Once the 5-acre lot is developed, which will include six buildings, 114,405 feet of parking, and multiple stories for each building, heavy traffic conditions would continue, especially during commute hours, on all roadways leading to Interstate 405 and State Route 90 freeways, as well as the freeways themselves. These heavy traffic conditions would directly impact an already congested traffic flow on the local unincorporated surface streets and these freeways. Interstate 405 freeway already experiences some of the heaviest traffic flow, which is contributed to by Los

Angeles International (LAX) Airport, and the high volume of tourist destination spots within the West Los Angeles Area, as well as other congestion related traffic incidents in L.A. County. Such a significant project would intensify commute times, contribute to higher collision counts and more importantly, impact the motoring public's safety.

Additionally, the proposal would cause roadways to potentially be reduced while construction is ongoing, which would directly affect emergency services, including the California Highway Patrol while traveling on surface streets. The West Los Angeles Area is responsible for traffic related incidents in the Unincorporated Area of Los Angeles County of Baldwin Hills. The Stocker Street Creative Project is situated in the Unincorporated County "beat" which would potentially cause slower response times, contribute to higher traffic crash counts, higher crime and impact the motoring public's safety. This project would also potentially impact other law enforcement agency responses to their respective calls for service as Stocker Street is a major throughway for law enforcement and civilians alike.

Please note this feedback is only a simple overview of the CHP's concerns, based solely on the condensed project summaries. My staff and I can provide more detailed established data if you require additional information.

Thank you for allowing us the opportunity to share public safety concerns. Feel free to contact my Administrative Sergeant, Steve Esquivel, for any further information.

Sincerely,

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