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Agenda Date: Item Number:

Summary: Motion: The Sherman Oaks Neighborhood Council (SONC) requests that the Mulholland Scenic Parkway Specific Plan Implementation Guidance Memorandum issued by Vincent Bertoni, dated March 20, 2021, be rescinded or amended. The memorandum, issued unilaterally by Director Bertoni with no prior notice or opportunity for public comment, purports to limit the oversight of the Specific Plan's Design Review Board (DRB) by declaring that projects that are not visible from the Mulholland Drive right of way are exempt from review by the DRB. The Director's action is in direct conflict with the express language of the Specific Plan, exceeds his authority under the City Charter, and usurps the legislative function of the City Council which signed the Specific Plan into law in1992. The Director's decision removes the code-mandated expert and professional advice of the Mulholland DRB from decision-making for most of the Specific Plan area. This decision also reduces public oversight of many projects with potentially significant adverse environmental impacts to parkland, scenic overlooks, scenic corridors, wildlife corridors, riparian areas, and the urban forest, dramatically altering a legislative action of the City Council.