## TO THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES

FILE NO. 05-0872-S184

## Your PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT

Committee

## reports as follows:

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT relative to an application for a hardship exemption from provisions of the Medical Marijuana Dispensaries Interim Control Ordinance (ICO) for property at 6105 Melrose Avenue.

Recommendation for Council action:

DENY the application for a hardship exemption from provisions of the Medical Marijuana Dispensaries ICO (No. 179027) for Cahuenga Caregivers Inc., dba Bulldog Café Collective located at 6105 Melrose Avenue.

<u>Fiscal Impact Statement</u>: Neither the City Administrative Officer nor the Chief Legislative Analyst has completed a financial analysis of this report.

Community Impact Statement: None submitted.

## Summary:

At its hearing held on June 9, 2009, the Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee considered testimony provided by the applicant, representative, patients, and those in support of the application for a hardship exemption (exemption request) for property at 6105 Melrose Avenue. It was reported that the dispensary pre-dated the ICO, but was forced to move. One speaker reported on his opposition to the exemption request.

A representative of Council District Four (speaking on behalf of Councilmember Tom LaBonge) recommended that the application be denied and reported that the dispensary is located two blocks away from a library. A letter from Councilmember Tom LaBonge dated June 9, 2009, and submitted at the hearing for the record, recommended that the exemption request be denied. The City Attorney was present at the hearing and responded to questions posed by the Committee.

After careful consideration of the documents on the file and of the testimony provided at the hearing, the PLUM Committee recommended that Council deny the application for a hardship exemption from provisions of the Medical Marijuana Dispensaries ICO (No. 179027) for Cahuenga Caregivers Inc., dba Bulldog Café Collective located at 6105 Melrose Avenue.

Respectfully submitted,

PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

 MEMBER
 VOTE

 REYES:
 YES

 HUIZAR:
 YES

 WEISS:
 ABSENT

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