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Oster; John A. Rosenfeld, Trustee of the Rosenfeld Family Trust; Diana M. Wheatley ("Petitioners") bring this action on behalf of themselves and the public to ensure that the hereinafter named Defendants and Respondents comply with the City of Los Angeles Municipal Code ("LAMC"), the City of Los Angeles Planning and Zoning Code (the "Zoning Code") and the City of Los Angeles Building Code.

I.

INTRODUCTION

- 1. This case involves deliberate violations of important building and zoning regulations in the major remodel of, including an addition (the "Project") to an existing single-family dwelling (the "Building") at 909 N. Greentree Road, a.k.a. 864 Brooktree Road, located at the corner of Greentree Road and Brooktree Road in the City of Los Angeles (the "Property") in the Petitioners' residential neighborhood. The remodeling and additions are presently under construction and are in violation of several specific provisions of the LAMC.
- 2. The City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety ("LADBS") issued a building permit and a grading permit allowing the Defendants and Real Parties in Interest (the "Beglaris" or "Beglari") to construct a two story addition and a basement to the existing Building. The building permit approves construction of an additional 7,150 square feet to the Building consisting of 1,500 square foot basement, a 550 square foot basement garage, a 2,550 square foot first floor and a 2,550 square foot second floor. This new construction is in addition to the 2,100 square foot existing dwelling.
- 3. This building permit approves violations of specific zoning requirements and limitations including (1) a front yard setback that is at least 12 feet more shallow than required, (2) a building height more than five feet higher than allowed, (3) an encroachment of the entire side of the building of nearly one-half of a foot into the required side yard and (4) approval of the newly configured building in violation of the specific conditions and findings of a previously granted yard variance which yard variance still applies to the Property.
- 4. LADBS issued the building permit approving construction in violation of several relevant provisions of the LAMC. LADBS has jurisdiction to issue building permits

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only "[w]hen the department determines that the information on the application and plans is in conformance with [the Los Angeles City Building Code, a part of the LAMC] and other relevant codes and ordinances." LAMC § 91.106.4.1.

5. As part of its duties in issuing building permits LADBS "is granted the authority to enforce the zoning ordinances of the City." LAMC § 12.26A. However,

"[n]o permit pertaining to the use of land or buildings shall be issued . . . unless the application for the permit has been approved by the Department of Building and Safety as to conformance of said use with the provisions of this chapter [LAMC Chapter 1, Article 2]. Any permit or certificate of occupancy, issued in conflict with the provisions of this chapter, shall be null and void." LAMC § 12.26A 2.

Here the building permit authorizes construction in conflict with the Zoning Code (LAMC Chapter 1, Article 2). It is, thus, null and void.

- 6. Upon its discovery of numerous Zoning Code violations approved by the initial building permit, based in large part by inaccurate and false information provided by Beglari, LADBS issued several subsequent building permits (collectively the "Building Permits") attempting to correct the code conflicts and zoning violations.
- 7. These subsequently issued Building Permits were also issued in error and failed to correct the Zoning Code violations on the Property. Many of the errors associated with the subsequently issued Building Permits were a direct result of misinformation given to LADBS. Many other errors were frankly the result of improper calculations made by LADBS.
- 8. Based on these numerous zoning violations on the Property, Petitioners filed an appeal to the Board of Building and Safety Commissioners (the "BBSC") setting forth the errors made by LADBS in its determinations involving several Zoning Code provisions.
- 9. Petitioners have learned that the BBSC will not hear their appeal until at least May 2002. Despite repeated requests to LADBS to issue a Stop Work Order pending the resolution of the appeal, LADBS refuses to stop the work.
- 10. Petitioners have also asked Beglari to voluntarily discontinue the illegal construction but Beglari has failed to do so.

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THE PARTIES AND THE PROPERTY

- 11. Petitioners are each individuals and homeowners and residents owning property and residing within the immediate vicinity of the Property. Petitioner, John A. Rosenfeld is a Trustee of the Rosenfeld Family Trust which owns a home near the Property. Rosenfeld lives in the home owned by the Trust. Petitioners are and will continue to be directly and adversely impacted by the illegal construction of the Building and the Zoning Code violations. Petitioners' properties (where they reside) are located as close as directly across the street from the Property and no further away than 250 feet from the Property.
- 12. Defendants and Real Parties in Interest Mehr Z. Beglari and Vickey M. Beglari are the owners of the Property. Petitioners are informed and believe and thereon allege that Mr. Beglari is a general building contractor whose construction company is licensed in the State of California, but whose personal contractor's license has expired. Beglari is the owner/builder of the Project.
- 13. The Property has two street addresses, 909 N. Greentree Road and 864 Brooktree Road. The Property is located in the Rustic Canyon area within the City of Los Angeles.
- 14. The Property is located in an area covered by the City's Hillside
 Ordinance. The City's Hillside Ordinance provides for more stringent property development
 and construction standards than the general provisions of the Zoning Code.
- 15. Respondent and Defendant City of Los Angeles is a municipal corporation, and charter city, organized and existing under the laws of the State of California, with the capacity to sue and be sued. As used herein, the term "City" includes, but is not limited to, City employees, agents, officers, boards, commissions, departments, and their members, all equally charged with complying with duties under the City Charter, and with the laws of the State.
- 16. Respondent and Defendant City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety (LADBS) is the Department with the authority to issue building permits and enforce

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the Los Angeles Municipal Code with respect to the City of Los Angeles Planning and Zoning Code and Building Code.

- 17. Petitioners do not know the true names or capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise, of Respondents and Defendants Does 1 through 50, inclusive, and therefore sues said Respondents and Defendants under fictitious names. Petitioners will amend this Petition and Complaint to show their true names and capacities when and if the same have been ascertained.
- 18. Petitioners do not know the true names or capacities, whether individual, corporate, associate or otherwise, of Defendants and Real Parties in Interest 51 through 100, inclusive, and therefore sues said Defendants and Real Parties under fictitious names.

 Petitioners will amend this Petition and Complaint to show their true names and capacities when and if the same have been ascertained.

III.

HISTORY OF THE BUILDING PERMITS

- 19. On or about January 2001, the Beglaris commenced construction of a major addition to and remodel of the existing structure at the property. Before the remodel, there was a single story, single family structure of approximately 2,100 square feet with an attached garage.
- 20. According to city records, the original single-family dwelling with attached garage was approved for construction in 1950 with the address of 864 Brooktree Road. Alterations and additions were approved in 1955 pursuant to a yard variance approval from the Department of City Planning, referred to by the City as Yard Variance YD 7913(YV). This yard variance allowed a smaller rear yard than would otherwise be permitted subject to the specific condition that the building be in substantial conformance with a specific exhibit illustrating the approved configuration of the Building. Other relatively minor alterations were approved through 1995 all with the address of 864 Brooktree Road.
 - 21. Between January, 2001 and March, 2002, LADBS issued a series of

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building permits (the "Building Permits") for the subject Property, all identifying the Property by the address of 909 N. Greentree Road.

Yard Variance YD 7913(YV):

greatly reduced from that required in the zone. The conditions of the grant require the building conform substantially to the plan attached as an exhibit to the variance documents. The exhibit illustrates the Building with a reduced rear yard and <u>large yards on the other three sides of the Building</u>. This means that the reduced rear yard is permissible only with three other large yards. The configuration of the Building currently under construction violates this condition by obliterating nearly all the remaining yard area on two of the three sides required to be maintained by the conditions of Yard Variance YD 7913(YV).

The January 2001 Permits:

- LADBS issued Building permit No. 00014-30000-04934 on January 5, 2001, approving a two-story and basement addition to the existing Building (Permit 1). Permit 1 properly notes that the Property is located in the City's Hillside Ordinance area. Permit 1 further properly notes that the Yard Variance YD 7913(YV) applies to the Property.
- 24. The plans Beglari submitted to the City for Permit 1 include a sketch of the existing front yard setbacks along Greentree Road used to determine the allowable front yard setback for the proposed addition. The required front yard setback is based on the "prevailing setback" existing on the block. The sketch submitted by Beglari shows the wrong dimensions for determining the prevailing setback.
- 25. Based on Beglari's information, the required front yard setback for the addition was erroneously calculated by LADBS and is shown on the approved plan as 21'6" from the curb line. The correct measurement is from the front property line which is located substantially behind the curb line. The actual required front yard setback is 25.93 feet from the front property line. The result of this is that LADBS erroneously approved a front yard of 13.91 feet deep which is at least 12 feet less than required by the Zoning Code.
 - 26. Grading permit No. 01030-10000-00015 (Permit 2), also issued on

January 5, 2001, approved grading for removal of approximately 290 cubic yards of earth to facilitate the new basement construction.

Discovery of Errors in the January 2001 Permits:

- 27. In September 2001, licensed land surveyors, Becker and Miyamoto, Inc. ("B & M"), conducted a land survey of the Property. The survey revealed that the side yard adjoining Brooktree Road was nearly one-half of a foot narrower than the seven foot side yard setback required by the City's Hillside Ordinance.
- 28. Also in September 2001, B & M surveyed the existing front yard setbacks along the Greentree Road street frontage in order to calculate the prevailing front yard setback. The survey also showed the then existing front yard setback was at least 12 feet less than the "prevailing setback." This means that the Building was (and still is) substantially encroaching into the required front yard setback area.
- 29. On October 17, 2001, faced with these errors, among others, LADBS issued building permit No. 00014-10002-04934 (Permit 3) purportedly to correct errors associated with its prior approvals. The approved "work description" on Permit 3 is "[t]o obtain full compliance with Hillside Ordinance . . . per LAMC 12.21A17. To update the plot plan." Further, Permit 3 notes that "[t]he prevailing setback is determined to be 13.82 [feet]" based on information included in a survey map submitted by Beglari.
- LADBS considered only three of the four lots comprising the Greentree frontage and averaged the two front yards with the smallest setbacks. In this case, the correct calculation is to consider all four existing front yard setbacks along the frontage and average three of the four. If properly calculated the prevailing front yard setback is 25.93 feet from the front property line instead of the 13.82 feet calculated by LADBS.
- 31. The approved single-page plan on file with LADBS corresponding to Permit 3 is mostly illegible. Interestingly, although the grade elevations and dimensions are not decipherable (except for a handwritten 13.91 foot front yard setback dimension), LADBS approved this plan as the plan to show full compliance with Hillside Ordinance and to update

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The Withdrawn Yard Modification Request:

After LADBS found the exterior wall of the Building facing Brooktree 32. Road to be closer to the side property line than approved, Beglari presented a request for a slight yard modification to the BBSC at its November 6, 2001 public hearing. Had that request been granted, the illegal side yard would have been legalized. However, the matter was continued to the BBSC hearing of November 27, 2001, at which time Beglari withdrew the request. Indeed, Beglari represented to the BBSC that he would move the Building so it would comply with the law. Therefore, no relief was granted from the side yard requirements.

- Instead, LADBS issued another building permit No. 00014-10003-04934 33. on November 28, 2001 (Permit 4), purportedly to correct Beglari's violation of side yard setback requirement. The approved work description includes "[m]ove back side wall along brooktree [sic] to meet code required setback of 7'0" "
- The approved plans corresponding to Permit 4 include structural details 34. for moving the exterior wall framing adjoining Brooktree Road. These details show the wall cannot physically be moved the distance necessary to comply with the side yard requirements, and yet LADBS still approved the details.
- On January 4, 2002, B & M conducted another survey showing the 35. location of the Building under construction after physical changes were made to the wall encroaching into the side yard area. Not surprisingly, the survey reveals that the side yard violations are still not corrected even after the physical alterations approved by LADBS were done.

The Over-Height Building:

B & M's updated surveys reveal that the Building is over 41 feet high 36. which is five feet above the maximum building height allowed by the City's Hillside Ordinance. The City's Hillside Ordinance specifically requires that the grade elevation from which the building height is measured is determined from the natural or finished grade,

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37. Purportedly to correct this height violation, LADBS issued another building permit, No. 00014-10004-01934 (Permit 5) on March 5, 2002. The work description reads "[e]xisting garage to convert un-used under floor area and backfill driveway to bring back grade to meet required building height of 36'-0" as required by this department to comply with ZA-91-0845." The City is permitting Beglari to falsely replace "natural" grade with fill dirt supported by retaining walls instead of requiring Beglari to lower the building.

38. Of course, once the dirt was removed for the driveway, the natural grade elevation was forever lost. Further, the City's Hillside Ordinance expressly prohibits the use of retaining walls to raise the effective grade elevation for the purpose of measuring building height. Simply put, the Building is too high and the LAMC does not permit that it be fixed by filling in dirt to raise the grade. The only fix possible is to lower the Building.

IV.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL CAUSES OF ACTION

- 39. To this date, violations remain involving the front yard setback area requirements, the building height limitations, the side yard width requirements and violations to the past yard variance.
- 40. To the extent there are administrative remedies available to Petitioners at this point in time, those remedies have been exhausted. Because LADBS will not advance the date of the BBSC hearing or issue a Stop Work Order, and because the violations set forth herein will only become more entrenched and become more difficult to fix and cause more harm, and because there are no particular administrative remedies or procedures available to address either LADBS' refusal to issue a Stop Work Order or LADBS allowing violations to a past yard variance, Petitioners have exhausted or are excused from exhausting any of their other administrative remedies before filing this lawsuit.
- 41. Further, Petitioners have no plain, speedy or adequate remedy at law.

 Petitioners will be irreparably injured if the Building is allowed to be completed because upon

completion of the Building, Real Parties will demand that LADBS issue a certificate of occupancy or final inspection allowing the Building to be occupied and lived in and possibly sold to another party, complete with the violations complained of here.

42. Petitioners are entitled to all costs of this suit including all reasonable attorneys fees, pursuant to Code Civ. Proc. § 1021.5 and Gov. Code § 800.

V.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

(Petition for Alternative and Peremptory Writ of Mandate Against the City Requiring it to Stay the Building Permits and Issue a Stop Work Order Pending Resolution of the Appeal Against Respondents and Real Parties in Interest)

- 43. Petitioners reallege and incorporate herein by reference each and every allegation set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 42 as though set forth fully herein.
 - 44. On March 25, 2002, Petitioners filed an appeal with the BBSC.
- 45. The filing of this appeal setting forth errors in LADBS determinations involving zoning ordinances stays all further activity approved by the Building Permits.
- 46. The City's administrative process involves three levels of appeal. First, the City's procedures require that all appeals pertaining to LADBS determinations involving any ordinance within LADBS' jurisdiction (including zoning ordinances) must first be heard by the BBSC under the authority provided by LAMC § 98.0403.1(b) 2. Second, since the specific ordinances at issue involve zoning ordinances, the Director of Planning has "the power and duty to investigate and make a decision" in the matter of the appeal. LAMC § 12.26K 1. Third, the City Planning Commission has jurisdiction over an appeal of the Director under LAMC § 12.26K 5.
- 47. A stay of all actions in furtherance of the action appealed, i.e., specific Zoning Code violations and the approval of Permits based thereon, is clearly provided by LAMC §§ 12.26K 1 and 12.26K 5.
 - 48. The procedural scheme clearly requires the work authorized under the

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Permits be stayed pending the final resolution of the appeal with the City Planning Commission. This stay must include the period from when the appeal is filed until the time the issues raised in the appeal are finally resolved. Otherwise, as here, substantial work will continue on a void permit in the two months it takes to get a BBSC hearing. Therefore, LADBS has a mandatory duty to stay all Building Permits and issue a Stop Work Order until the appeal is resolved.

- LADBS' refusal to stay the Building Permits and issue a Stop Work 49. Order is arbitrary and capricious.
 - LADBS' has not proceeded in the manner required by law. 50.
- Petitioners have a direct and beneficial interest in the granting of a writ 51. of mandate by the Court inasmuch as they are directly and adversely affected by Respondents' refusal to stay the Building Permits and Respondents' refusal to issue a Stop Work Order.
- Petitioners do not have a plain, speedy and adequate remedy in the 52. ordinary course of law.
- Petitioners will be irreparably injured if all Building Permits are not 53. stayed and LADBS does not issue a Stop Work Order.
- Petitioners have exhausted all available administrative remedies required 54. to be pursued by them or are excused from exhausting such remedies.
- For these reasons Petitioners request an alternative and peremptory writ 55. directing the City to immediately stay the Permits and issue a Stop Work Order to discontinue all work, including but not limited to foundation work, framing, plumbing, electrical, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, insulation, drywall, interior and/or exterior plaster, stucco, roofing, interior or exterior painting or painting preparation and any and all interior or exterior finish work.

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VI.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

(Petition for Alternative and Peremptory Writ of Mandate Against the City Requiring it to Set Aside the Building Permits Because They Were Issued in Error.)

Petitioners reallege and incorporate herein by reference each and every 56. allegation set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 55 as though set forth fully herein. Front Yard Setback:

The Building fails to comply with the required front yard setback. The 57. Zoning Code provides that the minimum depth of the required front yard area be consistent with the prevailing setback condition established on the street frontage. LADBS erred in its front yard prevailing setback determination because it erroneously relied on information provided by Beglari which, among other things, did not properly identify the front yard depth of the properties along the Greentree Road frontage. For example, the front yard depth for the lot adjoining the Property to the northeast was identified by the dimension between the front property line and a detached accessory garage building located within the front yard area. The lots fronting Greentree Road northeast of the Property also front Sunset Boulevard at their opposite ends and hence are defined "through lots." The Zoning Code expressly permits detached accessory garage buildings to be located within the front yard area of through lots. Since the detached accessory garage building is located within the front yard, it cannot define the front yard. Instead, the front yard is that area between the front of the main building (the house) and the front property line. Had the front yard setback for the Building been properly determined, the Building would be required to be set back more than 12 feet further from the front property line than it currently is located.

The Zoning Code requires that all developed lots along the street 58. frontage under consideration be considered in the calculation of prevailing front yard setback including the lot for which a building permit is sought. LADBS erred in its prevailing front yard setback determination and did not calculate the front yard setback requirement according to the law because it did not consider the existing development on the Property. Had the City

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correctly applied these requirements, a prevailing front yard setback of 25.93 feet would be required. Instead, LADBS approved a front yard setback for the Property of only 13.91 feet.

- 59. LADBS had a mandatory duty to calculate the prevailing front yard setback in accordance with the Zoning Code requirements. LADBS has instead approved a front yard setback on the Property that conflicts with what the Zoning Code requires.

 Over-Height Building:
- from a specifically defined grade datum. LADBS erroneously determined a grade datum resulting in its approval of a building in excess of 41 feet high. LADBS erroneously issued permits purportedly to correct the condition. However, none of the work approved by the subsequent permits has corrected the condition.
- 61. LADBS did not proceed in the manner required by law. LADBS erroneously approved building permits considering a grade elevation the Zoning Code expressly prohibits.
- 62. LADBS had a mandatory duty to define the grade datum and measure the Building height as required by the Zoning Code and the Hillside Ordinance.

 Side Yard Encroachment:
- the entire side of the building of nearly one-half of a foot into the required side yard. LADBS subsequently issued a building permit to correct the condition arbitrarily approving a construction detail it knew or should have known could not possibly correct the violation. In order to correct a side yard encroachment of nearly one-half foot, LADBS approved a construction detail to move the framing of the wall without moving the footing supporting the wall framing. The maximum distance the wall could possibly be moved according to the approved detail is three and one-half inches instead of the nearly six inches needed to correct the side yard violation. Not surprisingly, the work done pursuant to this permit results in a continuing encroachment into the side yard.
 - 64. LADBS did not proceed in the manner required by law. LADBS may

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only issue building permits when the plans demonstrate compliance with all applicable ordinances and laws. LADBS issued building permits and approved plans that clearly do not demonstrate compliance with the side yard requirements.

65. LADBS has a mandatory duty to check plans and issue building permits approving plans only after determining the plans demonstrate compliance with all applicable ordinances and laws.

Violations of Yard Variance:

- 66. LADBS violated its mandatory duties by approving a new building configuration in blatant disregard for the conditions of a still effective yard variance. The Building Permits issued by LADBS approve violations to Yard Variance YD 7913(YV) granted in 1955 by the City Planning Department for a reduced rear yard for the Property. The variance approval is subject to the condition, among others, that the Building conform to an attached exhibit showing the Building with substantial yards on all sides.
- weight on the then approved orientation of the building with respect to the property lines.

 LADBS, having no jurisdiction with respect to yard variances, did not proceed in the manner required by law. LADBS approved an entirely new building configuration without causing Beglari to complete a new variance procedure with the department having jurisdiction over yard variances, the Department of City Planning. Therefore, all the Permits issued allowing the configuration of the Building contrary to that allowed by the yard variance are issued in error and should be set aside.
- 68. LADBS had a mandatory duty to disapprove the Building Permits and issue a Stop Work Order until all issues are resolved.
- 69. These duties are all ministerial duties of LADBS and in each case LADBS violated its ministerial duties. Any determinations made by LADBS that the Building complied with the LAMC was arbitrary, capricious and without substantial evidence.
- 70. Petitioners have a direct and beneficial interest in the granting of a writ of mandate by the Court inasmuch as they are directly and adversely affected by the Building

constructed in violation of the LAMC.

- Petitioners do not have a plain, speedy and adequate remedy in the 71. ordinary course of law.
- Petitioners will be irreparably injured if all Building Permits are not 72. stayed and LADBS does not issue a Stop Work Order.
- Petitioners have exhausted all available administrative remedies required 73. to be pursued by them or are excused from exhausting the administrative remedies.
- For these reasons Petitioners request an alternative and peremptory writ 74. directing the City to set aside all the Building Permits.

VII.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory and Injunctive Relief Against the City)

- Petitioners reallege and incorporate herein by reference each and every 75. allegation set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 74 as though set forth fully herein.
- An actual controversy exists between Petitioners and Respondents. 76. Petitioners contend that numerous zoning violations exist at the Property. Respondents contend there are no zoning violations at the Property and that it properly issued the Building Permits for the Property.
- Petitioners, as neighbors greatly affected by this Building, request a declaration about the proper enforcement of the Zoning Code and Building Code and for 77. correcting the violations at the Property approved by LADBS.
- It is necessary that an injunction issue directing LADBS to issue a Stop Work Order halting all work on the Property, including but not limited to foundation work, framing, plumbing, electrical, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, insulation, drywall, interior and/or exterior plaster, stucco, roofing and interior and/or exterior painting pending the final adjudication of all issues in dispute. Petitioners will be irreparably injured without such an order.

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79. It is necessary that an injunction issue ordering LADBS to set aside all Building Permits issued between January 5, 2001 and the present because they are issued in error for Zoning Code violations, including but not limited to deficient yard area setbacks, excessive building height and violations to an existing yard variance grant. Petitioners will be irreparably injured without such an order.

VIII.

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Public Nuisance Against Defendants and Real Parties in Interest and For Damages)

- 80. Petitioners reallege and incorporate herein by reference each and every allegation set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 79 as though set forth fully herein.
- Defendants and Real Parties in Interest are in violation of numerous 81. Zoning Code provisions. The law permits Petitioners, private individuals, to enjoin a zoning violation as a public nuisance because the Petitioners have suffered special injuries to themselves and their property of a character different in kind and greater than that suffered by the general public.
- Petitioners are property owners of residential properties and reside in the 82. immediate vicinity of the Property, as close as immediately across the street facing the corner of the Property encroached upon by the Building and no further than 250 feet from the Property.
- The Zoning Code provisions were adopted with the specific intent of 83. protecting the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City. The over-height Building, which also does not observe the required yard areas, violates numerous Zoning Code provisions and is in conflict with the intent of the Zoning Code provisions resulting in a Building grossly out of character with its surroundings and negatively impacting the property values in its immediate vicinity.
- The over-height condition and the encroachments of the Building into the 84. front and side yards at the intersection of Brooktree Road and Greentree Road create a

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hazardous condition to Petitioners residing in the immediate vicinity. The yard encroachments of the over-height Building block vehicular traffic from the view of other motorists approaching the intersection from different directions and block from the view of approaching motorists pedestrians, bicyclists and others attempting to enjoy the preexisting rural setting of the neighborhood.

- 85. It is necessary that an injunction issue ordering Defendants to discontinue any work on the Property, including but not limited to foundation work, framing, plumbing, electrical, insulation, drywall, interior and/or exterior plaster, stucco, roofing and painting pending the final adjudication of all issues in dispute.
- 86. It is necessary that an injunction issue ordering Defendants to abate the nuisance by removing and/or physically altering all portions of the Building in violation of any City of Los Angeles Zoning and/or Building ordinance. Petitioners will be irreparably injured unless an injunction issues.
- 87. Petitioners are entitled to monetary damages for diminution of their property values in close proximity to the Property causing the public nuisance and for loss of use and enjoyment of their own properties and the diminished quality and character of their neighborhood. The amount of monetary damages will be proven at trial but will exceed the jurisdictional limit of the Court (i.e., \$25,000).
- 88. Petitioners are also entitled to all costs of this suit and all reasonable attorneys' fees.

IX.

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION

(Declaratory and Injunctive Relief Against Defendants and Real Parties in Interest)

- 89. Petitioners reallege and incorporate herein by reference each and every allegation set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 88 as though set forth fully herein.
- 90. An actual controversy exists between Petitioners and Defendants and Real Parties in Interest. Petitioners contend that numerous zoning violations exist at the

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Property that were approved by the City. Defendants and Real Parties in Interest contend that the work approved by the City complies with the City's zoning provisions.

- 91. Petitioners request a declaration of their rights with respect to the Zoning Code and Building Code violations at the Property approved by LADBS.
- 92. Petitioners request a declaration of their rights with respect to the continuing public nuisance caused by numerous Zoning Code violations.
- 93. It is necessary that an injunction issue enjoining Defendants and Real Parties in Interest from performing any further work on the Property, including but not limited to foundation work, framing, plumbing, electrical, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, insulation, drywall, interior and/or exterior plaster, stucco, roofing and interior and/or exterior painting pending the final adjudication of all issues in dispute.

X.

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Petitioners respectfully pray that:

ON THE FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION:

1. There be issued against Respondents an alternative and peremptory Writ of Mandate ordering Respondents to stay the Building Permits issued between January 5, 2001 and the present, for work on the Property, and, in addition, to issue a Stop Work Order prohibiting any further activity on the Property authorized by the Building Permits.

ON THE SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION:

2. There be issued against Respondents an alternative and peremptory Writ of Mandate ordering Respondents to set aside all Permits issued for the Property between January 5, 2001 and the present.

ON THE THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION:

- 3. There be a judicial determination of the Zoning Code violations approved by LADBS for the Property.
 - 4. There be issued against Respondents a preliminary and permanent

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injunction ordering the City to stay all Permits issued for the Property between January 5, 2001 and the present.

5. There be issued against Respondents a preliminary and permanent injunction ordering the City to issue a Stop Work Order against all work at the Property.

ON THE FOURTH CAUSE OF ACTION:

- 6. There be issued against Defendants and Real Parties in Interest a preliminary and permanent injunction enjoining Defendants and Real Parties in Interest from performing any work on the Property in furtherance of the continuing public nuisance.
- 7. There be issued a preliminary and permanent injunction ordering Defendants and Real Parties in Interest to abate the nuisance by removing and/or physically altering those parts of the Building in violation of the City of Los Angeles Zoning and Building ordinances.
- 8. To monetary damages, the amount of which will be proven at trial but will exceed the jurisdictional limit of the Court (i.e., \$25,000).

ON THE FIFTH CAUSE OF ACTION:

9. There be a judicial determination of the Zoning Code violations approved by LADBS and based on inaccurate and false information provided by Defendants.

ON ALL CAUSES OF ACTION:

- 10. There be awarded Petitioners the costs of this suit and all reasonable attorneys' fees.
 - 11. Other appropriate relief as determined by the Court.

Dated: April 8, 2002

JEFFER, MANGELS, BUTLER & MARMARO LLP BENJAMIN M. REZNIK PAMELA S. SCHMIDT KEVIN K. MCDONNELL

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VERIFICATION

STAT	E OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
	I have read the foregoing VERIFIED PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDATE AND COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF and know its contents. CHECK APPLICABLE PARAGRAPH
[X]	I am a party to this action. The matters stated in it are true of my own knowledge except as to those matters which are stated on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true.
[]	I am [] an Officer [] a partner, [] a of, a party to this action, and am authorized to make this verification for and on its behalf, and I make this verification for that reason. I have read the foregoing document and know its contents. I am informed and believe that the matters stated herein are true.
[]	I am one of the attorneys for, a party to this action. Such party is absent from the county of aforesaid where such attorneys have their offices, and I make this verification for and on behalf of that party for that reason. I have read the foregoing document and know its contents. I am informed and believe and on that ground allege that the matters stated in it are true
Califo	I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America and the State of ornia that the foregoing is true and correct.
	Executed on April 5, 2002, at Los Angeles, California.

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA, CITY AND COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

I am employed in the city and county of Los Angeles, State of California. I am over the age of 18 and not a party to the within action; my business address is: 2121 Avenue of the Stars, 10th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90067.

On April 8, 2002 I served the document(s) described as **VERIFIED PETITION FOR WRIT OF MANDATE AND COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY AND INJUNCTIVE RELIEF** in this action by placing the true copies thereof enclosed in sealed envelopes addressed as follows:

THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES CITY CLERK'S OFFICE ROOM 395 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012 CITY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND SAFETY ROOM 395 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

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- [] (FEDERAL) I declare that I am employed in the office of a member of the bar of this court at whose direction the service was made.

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	Business Tort (07)	A6029 Other Commercial/Business Tort (not fraud/breach of contract)	1., 2., 3.					
.	Civil Rights (08)	A6005 Civil Rights	1., 2., 3.					
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Employment	Other Employment (15)	A6024 Other Employment Complaint Case A6109 Labor Commissioner Appeals	1., 2., 3. 10.
	Breach of Contract/ Warranty (06) (not insurance)	A6004 Breach of Rental/Lease Contract (not UD or wrongful eviction) A6008 Contract/Warranty Breach-Seller Plaintiff (no fraud/negligence) A6019 Negligent Breach of Contract/Warranty (no fraud) A6028 Other Breach of Contract/Warranty (not fraud or negligence)	2., 5. 2., 5. 1., 2., 5. 1., 2., 5.
Contract	Collections (09)	A6002 Collections Case-Seller Plaintiff A6012 Other Promissory Note/Collections Case	2., 5., 6. 2., 5.
J	Insurance Coverage (18)	A6015 Insurance Coverage (not complex)	1., 2., 5., 8.
	Other Contract (37)	A6009 Contractural Fraud A6031 Tortious Interference A6027 Other Contract Dispute (not breach/insurance/fraud/negligence)	1., 2., 3., 5. 1., 2., 3., 5. 1., 2., 3., 8.
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Real Property	Wrongful Eviction (33)	A6023 Wrongful Eviction Case	2., 6.
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Review	Asset Forfeiture (05)	A6108 Asset Forfeiture Case	2., 6.
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Enforcement of Judgment	Enforcement of Judgment (20)	A6141 Sister State Judgment A6160 Abstract of Judgment A6107 Confession of Judgment (non-domestic relations) A6140 Administrative Agency Award (not unpaid taxes) A6114 Petition/Certificate for Entry of Judgment on Unpaid Tax A6112 Other Enforcement of Judgment Case	2., 9. 2., 6. 2., 9. 2., 8. 2., 8. 2., 8.
	RICO (27)	A6033 Racketeering Case	1., 2., 8.
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New Civil Case Filing Instructions

This addendum form is required so that the court can assign your case to the correct courthouse location in the proper district for filing and hearing. It satisfies the requirement for a certificate as to reasons for authorizing filing in the courthouse location, as set forth in Los Angeles Superior Court Local Rule 2.0. It must be completed and submitted to the court along with the Civil Case Cover Sheet and the original Complaint or Petition in **ALL** civil cases filed in any district (including the Central District) of the Los Angeles County Superior Court. Copies of the cover sheet and this addendum must be served along with the summons and complaint, or other initiating pleading in the case.

PLEASE HAVE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS COMPLETED AND READY TO BE FILED IN ORDER TO PROPERLY COMMENCE YOUR NEW COURT CASE:

1. Original Complaint or Petition.

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- 2. If filing a Complaint, a completed Summons form for issuance by the Clerk (Summons forms available at the Forms Counter).
- 3. Civil Case Cover Sheet form required by California Rule of Court 982.2(b)(1), completely filled out (Cover Sheet forms available at the Forms Counter).
- 4. This "Addendum to Civil Case Cover Sheet" form (Superior Court Form Number 982.2(b)(1)A, revised 7/99), completely filled out and submitted with the Civil Case Cover Sheet. *
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- 6. In case of a plaintiff or petitioner who is a minor under 18 years of age, an Order of the Court appointing an adult as a guardian ad litem to act on behalf of the minor (Guardian ad Litem Application and Order forms available at the Forms Counter).
- 7. Additional copies of documents presented for endorsement by the Clerk and return to you.
- * With the exception of limited civil cases and any civil cases concerning personal injury (including wrongful death) and property damage occurring in this County, Labor Commissioner Appeals, and those types of actions required to be filed in the Gentral District by Local Court Rule 2(b), all civil actions may be optionally filed either in the Central District or in whichever other court location the rule would allow them to be filed. When a party elects to file a general or unlimited jurisdiction civil action in Central District which would also be eligible for filing in one or more of the other court locations, this form must still be submitted with location and assignment information completed.