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Milena Zasadzien Los Angeles Department of City Planning 200 North Spring Street, Room 750 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Fig+Pico Conference Center Hotels Project - ENV-2016-2594-EIR - Draft EIR

Dear Ms. Zasadzien,

On behalf of the Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council, I am writing to express our strong support for the Fig + Pico Conference Center Hotels Project in Downtown Los Angeles.

We at the Building and Construction Trades Council are proud to have worked in partnership with Lightstone when considering the development of this much-needed project and I am enthusiastically voicing my support of Fig + Pico, which will help to provide hundreds of good paying construction jobs.

This is exactly the type of project our region needs. Fig + Pico directly supports workers, while also recognizing the needs of the community and helping deliver on the Downtown LA neighborhood's long-term goals. We urge the city to move this project forward and help add to the existing precedent for local projects that support our workers and our region's economic needs.

The project will also help to foster the long-term growth that the community needs to support the proposed Convention Center expansion, LA's 2028 Olympics and other large-scale projects and events that will bring good-paying jobs to our workers while delivering on our local leaders' vision for a modern Los Angeles.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report reflects the needs of the Building and Construction Trade Council and we ask that the city stand with us by moving this project forward.

Sincerely,

Ron Miller

Executive Secretary