

PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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Office of Zoning Administration BESt Program Conditions Compliance Unit Sheila Gershon; via email: <u>sheila.gershon@lacity.org</u> 201 N. Figueroa St., Rm. #525 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: 106 N. West Channel Rd., Sam's by the Beach; Case No. ZA-2017-1903-CUB

Dear Ms. Gershon;

The Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC), the most broad-based community organization and voice of the Palisades since 1973, has reviewed the proposed CUB for Sam's by the Beach, in Pacific Palisades on West Channel Road, and has resolved not to object to their application for expanded operating hours, and the addition of a small full bar which seats no more than 6 people. At our regularly scheduled public board meeting on July 27, 2017, following presentations and discussion, the PPCC board unanimously passed a motion in support of the above-referenced CUB application, stating that we recognize Sam has been a responsible operator and has not offended the neighbors over the course of many years operating a business in the neighborhood; "therefore we have no objection to the Sam's Restaurant CUB requests."

Our board members emphasized they supported the CUB application because the restaurant is established in the community with a record of operating responsibly in the neighborhood. Sam's has been operating without incident for many years in Pacific Palisades and has been responsive to neighbors, leaving them with no complaints with respect to its restaurant operation. Questions regarding the bar were raised and we were assured that alcohol would only be served while food was also being served, and that there would be no more than 6 bar stools, with an additional 2 wheelchair accessible seats, made available to patrons at any given time. Our support was based on these elements in aggregate.

Sincerely,

Maryam Zar Chair, Pacific Palisades Community Council

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