

1 RESOLUTION NO. RES-07-0052

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3 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE
4 CITY OF LONG BEACH IN OPPOSITION TO THE
5 PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE SOUTH REGION
6 HIGH SCHOOL NO. 4 BY THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED
7 SCHOOL DISTRICT (LAUSD), WHICH HIGH SCHOOL IS
8 PROPOSED TO BE LOCATED NEAR THE NORTHEAST
9 CORNER OF SANTA FE AVENUE AND CARSON STREET,
10 IN THE CITY OF LONG BEACH
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12 WHEREAS, the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) is proposing
13 to construct a new high school to be located on a 13.7 acre parcel in the City of Long
14 Beach near the northeast corner of Santa Fe Avenue and Carson Street; and

15 WHEREAS, the proposed high school is intended to serve only those
16 students residing in the City of Carson; and

17 WHEREAS, the proposed high school would provide 182,000 square feet of
18 facilities with approximately 67 classrooms to serve 1,809 students in grades 9 through
19 12, with 182 parking spaces for faculty and staff only; and

20 WHEREAS, the subject property is located in the City's industrial zone, and
21 is currently improved with industrial buildings that are used for industrial purposes; and

22 WHEREAS, the City of Long Beach has continuously objected to the siting
23 of this school at this particular location due to the fact that the site is located adjacent to a
24 railway serving the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles, and is also adjacent to several
25 fuel pipelines, high voltage transmission lines, and two major freeways; and

26 WHEREAS, the City believes that, if built at the proposed location,
27 students, teachers and staff will be exposed to significant health and safety risks; and

28 WHEREAS, the proposed facility has been designed to accommodate

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1 parking for teachers and staff only, which will necessarily force student owned vehicles
2 to be parked in the adjacent industrial areas, which will pose a safety issue and will
3 exacerbate parking conditions in the area; and

4 WHEREAS, locating the school at the proposed site is, and would be,
5 inconsistent with the provisions of City's General Plan, would create an incompatible land
6 use by mixing school uses with the adjacent and surrounding industrial uses, and will
7 impact the City's ability to provide necessary police and fire services by diverting said
8 services to the proposed school site; and

9 WHEREAS, the City has provided written comments to LAUSD's Draft and
10 Re-Circulated Draft Environmental Impact Report expressing its concern regarding this
11 proposed project; and

12 WHEREAS, LAUSD has failed and refused to provide public records to the
13 City in response to a request made pursuant to the state's Public Records Act, which
14 refusal has deprived the City of all the available public information necessary to provide
15 full and complete comments to the Draft and Re-Circulated Draft Environmental Impact
16 Reports;

17 NOW, THEREFORE, the City Council of the City of Long Beach resolves as
18 follows:

19 Section 1. The City Council of the City of Long Beach opposes LAUSD's
20 approval and construction of a high school in the City of Long Beach near the northeast
21 corner of Santa Fe Avenue and Carson Street .

22 Section 2. The City Clerk is directed to transmit a copy of this resolution
23 to the Superintendent of Schools and LAUSD Board Members, and other officials,
24 agencies, entities, and individuals as may be deemed appropriate.

25 Section 3. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption
26 by the City Council, and the City Clerk shall certify to the vote adopting this resolution.

27 I hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the City
28 Council of the City of Long Beach at its meeting of April 17, 2007, by the

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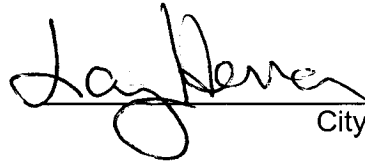
1 following vote:

2 Ayes: Councilmembers: B. Lowenthal, S. Lowenthal,
3 DeLong, O'Donnell, Schipske,
4 Reyes Uranga, Gabelich, Lerch.

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6 Noes: Councilmembers: None.

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8 Absent: Councilmembers: None.

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