

## Department of Development Services Building Division

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## HARMON BUILDING

I am in receipt of the July 11, 2011 letter from Weidlinger Associates Inc. addressed to you referencing the Harmon building. This letter was in response to my April 13, 2011 letter requiring further analysis to minimize risk to life safety, Las Vegas Blvd, and adjacent habitable structures.

The letter signed by Dr. Chukwuma G. Ekwueme, Associate Principal, indicates that in the event of a code level earthquake the structure has a high likelihood of catastrophic failure. As a result of these conclusions, Clark County requires City Center to provide a plan of action that will abate the potential for structural collapse and protect impacted uses and occupancies. This would include without limitations, Harmon Blvd., Las Vegas Blvd., Pucci, Prada, Crystal Shopping Center and the adjoining pedestrian bridge.

Clark County requires a submittal of the substantiating tests, documents, calculations, and other supporting information Dr. Ekwueme used to draw his conclusions, in particular an elaboration on what Dr. Ekwueme defines as a code level earthquake. This information must be provided as soon as possible.

The required plan indicated in Paragraph 2 above needs to include time frames and schedules. Prior to remediation work or demolition all required permits and inspections must be obtained. The seriousness of this issue necessitates the required plan be submitted to the County no later than 5:00 p.m. on August 15, 2011.

Further review by Clark County may result in the revocation of existing Temporary Certificates of Occupancy or Certificates of Occupancy.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (702) 455-2794.

Sincerely,

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Director/Building Official

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