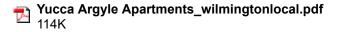


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## **Letter in support of Yucca-Arglye Tenants**

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Please accept this letter in support of tenants of the Yucca Argyle Apartments at 6210-6224 Yucca St, Los Angeles, CA 90028, who are also part of the Hollywood Local of the LA Tenants Union.

We insist that the Department of City Planning immediately withdraw the Draft EIR project review until 30 days after the City's Stay at Home order is lifted.

The Yucca Argyle Apartment tenants and the Hollywood Local of the Los Angeles Tenant Union received the Draft EIR notification for 6220 West Yucca Street Project (ENV-2014-4706-EIR) on April 23, 2020. According to the notification, tenants and community members have from April 23, 2020 to June 8, 2020 to submit public comment on the Draft EIR.

It is entirely <u>unacceptable</u> that the Department of City Planning post the public notice for the Draft EIR when we are still under a Stay at Home order due to the COVID-19 health emergency. The notification to the tenants announcing public comment invites community members to make an appointment with the Planning Dept to review the DEIR. The same letter also suggests going to the library to review the DEIR. However, according to the Planning Dept website (<a href="https://planning.lacity.org/contact/public-counters">https://planning.lacity.org/contact/public-counters</a>), <u>no appointments</u> are being taken at this time. All Los Angeles libraries are also <u>closed</u> at this time. The lack of public access to the DEIR violates the process of public comment as required under CEQA.

It is outrageous that the Department of City Planning expects the community to contribute public comment during the present crisis. Our tenant members demand that with limited public resources, this notice and the review period be withdrawn until 30 days after the governor and mayor lift the Stay at Home order.

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