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Crossroads Hollywood Project - Case No: ENV - 2015-2026 - EIR - State Clearinghouse No. 2015101073

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Re: Crossroads Hollywood Project

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Draft Environmental Impact Report Comments

Dear. Mr. Huerta,

For the sake of saving Hollywood and to keep visitors wanting to come here, please do not allow developers for the Crossroads of the World project to demolish the existing historic buildings that would destroy an important historic neighborhood. The altering impact on the historic Crossroads of the World will be huge as well to the surrounding area. As a longtime resident of Hollywood, I am proud to live in this historic core area that still retains a sense of history and is only unique to Hollywood. Rather than being demolished, the unique residential and commercial buildings should be adapted for reuse. The historic buildings, houses, apartment buildings, that make up Hollywood are what visitors want to see. No history, no visitors. Tourists want to see where the film industry started and continues to this day. As well, filming is done in LA's historic areas because it so unique and if that is gone so could the film industry go to locations throughout the US and the world that preserves the original historic beauty of a city, village or town.

As well, infrastructure should first and foremost, before anything is built anywhere in Los Angeles. Then there's the CEQA guidelines, plus so many factors such as the displacement of people from their homes, apartment homes, especially, when there is no affordable rentals to be had, even for the middle class. This would add to the Homelessness in LA, which is at epidemic levels and rising daily. And there would be the loss of established businesses, that would go out of business

because they probably won't be able to find anything affordable. In addition, it has been proven when those who can afford to own or rent luxury units will not take public transportation, which in LA ridership is down, easier to drive and even more so if an employer pays for parking so no reason to use public transit?

Thank you for your consideration to keep Historic Hollywood intact.

Sincerely,

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