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Subject: Public Comments On the Draft EIR for the Hollywood Center Project

Dear Ms. Nguyen,

I am a property owner in the Hollywood Dell where I have resided for 23 years and I am a member of the Hollywood Dell Civic Association (HDCA).

I am writing about project Case Number: ENV-2018-2116-EIR and State Clearinghouse Number: 2018051002.

I am joining in the letter written to you on behalf of our entire neighborhood regarding the draft environmental impact report (DEIR) on the proposed Hollywood Center Project. I have been shocked by the timing of your actions, issuing a major report when the Covid-19 emergency has prevented residents from appearing in person to lodge objections and pose questions regarding a project that is likely to negatively affect our quality of life for decades to come.

Please answer these questions:

- Why was it necessary for you to issue a 13,000 page report at the time that an unprecedented health emergency requires the full attention of all residents? It was released on April 16, a full month after the Stay At Home order had been put in place for all residents.
- Why did you reject requests to extend the comment period given the situation?
- Did you consider the fact that residents, many of whom were suddenly out of work, would be too involved in their very survival to take time to read your voluminous report and comment on it?
- Did you consider that some residents fell ill with Covid-19 and others, who were considered essential workers, were called on to save lives during this time?
- Your report was not going to draw their attention during this period. Was it your intention to prevent them from commenting?
- Do you realize now that life in Hollywood will be so drastically altered in the aftermath of this crisis that the conclusions of your Draft EIR may be irrelevant?

I am requesting that you table your report until after the Covid-19 emergency has passed and allow residents the time to study it and comment on it in person. This is a huge project that will have a major impact on the entire city and should be carefully considered.

Sincerely,

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