Save Hollywood.Org is opposed to the new over-developed Hollywood Center Project, which is brought to us by the same creators of the denied Millennium Project. This same development team gave San Francisco the Millennium Tower that is sinking, and then blamed the City of San Francisco for not doing due diligence and has left investors and the city with huge debt and mitigation.

The project is still to be built over the active Hollywood fault line in a city destined to suffer a major quake, and this project has a high likelihood to cause an unaccountable cost of lives and destruction for a city whose services and infrastructure are overtaxed as it is. The City shouldn’t be willing to trust these bad actors to guarantee an acceptable and safe development. The state seismologists deem this site dangerous. We should listen to the scientists and not those who want to make a large profit at the cost of the safety of our city.

Traffic. This development is surrounded by F- rated failing intersections now. Adding more unneeded hotels and market-rate deluxe housing cannot be justified just because there is a Metro stop nearby. Luxury living people do not take public transportation and the City needs to accept that in order to have smart planning. We should be pushing Senior and low-cost housing, but the developers want to make money, not make a better planned city. This project as proposed is thereby creating traffic hell for all of Hollywood and the hills above. Developing such a huge project below the Hollywood Hills will make a difficult situation for delivering aid and services in case of emergencies and natural disasters. The streets cannot and do not support the traffic or provide the parking now and this project and all the others do not provide enough parking for the population they will bring. Caltrans says that the project will exacerbate the traffic conditions and the infrastructure will ultimately fail.

Housing – This project does not comply with the CRA Hollywood Community Plan. The DEIR and Plan fail to acknowledge the affordable housing requirements demanded by CA HSC 33413 (2) (A) (i) which shall be implemented under CA AB 1505. The total base number of affordable units must be increased prior to any density bonus being applied. This must be re-analyzed in all projects asking for entitlements under any specific or community plan in place prior to Palmer v. City of Los Angeles.

Infrastructure- Resources. This State and City have a water deficiency and the sewage system. The overall systems are antiquated and failing to transport sewage to treatment facilities which are thereby polluting the ocean. We just don’t have enough water or the infrastructure to provide it to the residents and businesses of this City. Even if the development installs new underground plumbing systems, it will still be an increase of usage on the older pipes throughout Hollywood. How is this being addressed?

Power. Our Power grid is failing, old and with inadequate capacity to service the demand now, let alone all the new demands from this project.

Emergency Services – Having vehicles equipped with sirens isn’t enough when the traffic is so congested that vehicles can’t move out of the way. The location of this project will be a huge bottleneck for delivering police and the fire department services in emergencies and fires which threaten the hillsides of Los Angeles especially now with the climate changes.

City Councilman O’Farrell said he had reservations about the old plan but he fully supported it, he never said so at that time and we are supposed to believe him now?

Please deny this project especially due to the delinquent behavior of the developers in this and the San Francisco project.

Thank you,

Rosemary De Monte
Save Hollywood.org