From:Anthony Kornarens <khlawfirm@aol.com>Sent time:10/12/2020 06:31:33 PMTo:mindy.nguyen@lacity.org; cpc@lacity.orgSubject:Further Submission Of Vedanta Society Of Southern California in support of Appeal of the Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. VTTAttachments:CityOfLA101220.pdf

Please see attached.

Thank you.

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VIA EMAIL

Mindy Nguyen, City Planner (<u>mindy.nguyen@lacity.org</u>) City Planning Commission (cpc@lacity.org) City of Los Angeles, Department of City Planning Commission Executive Assistant 221 North Figueroa Street, Suite 1350 Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Submission Of Vedanta Society Of Southern California in support of Appeal of the Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. VTT-82152 for the Hollywood Center Project; Case Nos. ENV-2018-2116-EIR, CPC-2018-2114-DB-MCUP-SPR, CPC-2018-2115-DA, and VTT-82152 ; SCH 2018051002

Dear Ms. Nguyen and City Planning Commission:

This firm and the undersigned represents Vedanta Society Of Southern California ("VSSC"), a California non-profit religious corporation.

We believe that violations of Mayor Garcetti's Executive Directive No. 19, issued March 9, 2017 [https://www.lamayor.org/sites/g/files/wph446/f/ page/file/ed19%20planning.pdf], which prohibits ex parte communications with Planning Commissioners on matters coming before them, may have occurred related to the Hollywood Center project ("Project").

As shown in the attachment hereto, a lobbyist forwarded an email to President Samantha Millman giving a "heads up" about our another project opponent's objections to what appear to be the City's conduct related to actions meant to prejudice the public and favor the developer. This communication was only included in the running administrative record when it was forwarded to Planning Director Vince Bertoni. The public must know on the record and prior to the Commission considering this matter, which Commissioners, in addition to Ms. Millman, have had ex parte communications with Project principals, employees, agents, representatives, consultants, lobbyists and/or attorneys. All such Commissioners, including Ms. Millman, must recuse themselves from considering, voting on, or influencing this matter. They must also disclose whether they have, in turn, discussed the Project with other Planning Commissioners. If yes, then those additional Planning Commissioners must recuse themselves.

Please also consider this a Public Records Act request, pursuant to Govt. Code §6250 et seq., for all documents to/from/with or including any and all Project principals, employees, agents, representatives, consultants, lobbyists and/or attorneys, including but not limited to Edgar Khalatian, on the one hand, and any Mindy Nguyen, City Planner (<u>mindy.nguyen@lacity.org</u>) City Planning Commission (<u>cpc@lacity.org</u>) October 12, 2020 Page 2

Planning Commissioner(s) on the other hand, related to the Project and/or processing of the Project applications and EIR in any manner. This must include all documents and writings from all personal email, text and other messaging accounts.

Very Truly Yours, ANTHONY KORNARENS, APC

Anthony Kornarens

cc: Vedanta Society of Southern California

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Sent time:	09/08/2020 10:16:46 AM
To:	Mindy Nguyen doi:10.1011/j.org
Subject:	attachment
Attachments:	City of Los Angeles Mail - Fwd_FW_To ZOOM, Or Not To ZOOM.pdf

this was forwarded to me by Vince. Should get uploaded.

- Luci

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Vince Bertoni <vince.bertoni@lacity.org> Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 10:09 AM To: Lisa Webber <lisa.webber@lacity.org>, Luciralia Ibarra <luciralia.ibarra@lacity.org>, Kevin Keller <kevin.keller@lacity.org>, Raoul Mendoza <raoul.mendoza@lacity.org>

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------ Forwarded message ------From: **Samantha Millman** <smillman@millcoinv.com> Date: Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 10:00 AM Subject: FW: To ZOOM, Or Not To ZOOM To: Vince Bertoni <vince.bertoni@lacity.org>

Just a heads up...

Begin forwarded message:

From: Stop the Millennium Hollywood <info@stopthemillenniumhollywood.com> Date: September 8, 2020 at 8:42:55 AM PDT To: Brian@brianvanriper.com Subject: To ZOOM, Or Not To ZOOM Reply-To: Stop the Millennium Hollywood <info@stopthemillenniumhollywood.com>

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To ZOOM, Or Not To ZOOM – It's No Longer A Question



According to City Planner Mindy Nguyen's 8/13 email to our team, "there is no video Zoom available for public hearings at this time. Please be advised, however, that the Department

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of City Planning is transitioning to ZoomWebinar for public hearings beginning in September, which will allow the public to watch the hearings online, similar to the CPC meetings."

As usual with the Department of City Planning, the whole story is never told.

What Mindy didn't tell us was that video Zoom was not made available to the PUBLIC. But video capability exists as seen here in these screenshots that played intermittently in the audio file of the 8/26 public hearing produced by the City. For those of you that want to see for yourself, we suggest you hurry up and download it while you can before they remove it.



In an internal email communication with City staffers posted on the running online record for the project, Mindy tells her colleagues NOT to share the video URL or password with the public as seen in the below screenshot:

Hi all,
Planning Major Projects 01 is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. Below you will find the meeting credentials for internal staff (ex. Planners, Commissioners, or City Attorneys) to join the meeting. DO NOT share the URL and password with the public. Only share the phone number and Meeting ID with the public (listed below the line). Please note that there will be only one email sent per meeting.
Topic: Hollywood Center Project
Time: Aug 26, 2020 09:30 AM Pacific Time (US and Canada)
Join Zoom Meeting
https://planning-lacity-org.zoom.us/ij/92485865202
Meeting ID: 924 8586 5202 Password: 217265

Please contact planning.helpdesk@lacity.org if you have questions or need assistance.

BELOW IS FOR PUBLIC

Dial by your location +1 213 338 8477 US (Los Angeles) +1 669 900 9128 US (San Jose) Meeting ID: 924 8586 5202

Instructions for public access:

Public participants will dial one of the phone numbers listed above. Public participants will be asked for a Meeting ID, enter "(Meeting ID listed above)", followed by "#" (pound sign). Public participants will be asked to enter a participant ID, enter "#" (pound sign) to continue. Public participants will then be joined into the meeting.

This is an absolute outrage and abuse of the process by the City!

Please help us in this fight. We cannot do it alone.

Donate

Keep sending in your comments. Keep voicing your opposition.

Sign up to receive our Newsletters here.

Please visit StoptheMillenniumHollywood.com to learn more and don't forget to circulate to your friends and neighbors.



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