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DAY OF HEARING SUBMISSIONS



200 N. Spring Street, Suite 420
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September 24, 2024

Central Area Planning Commission
200 N. Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Letter to Central Area Planning Commission Regarding ZA-2023-4481-CUB-1A -
Proposed Karaoke Bar at 3300 West 8th Street.

Dear Central Area Planning Commission,

I am writing to formally express my strong opposition to the proposed karaoke bar with full alcohol service at 3300 West 8th Street. My objections are based on the project's incompatibility with the surrounding environment and its potential negative impacts on public safety.

The proposed location is situated in a densely populated area with residential units within a 500 foot radius. This raises significant concerns about noise and potential nuisance behaviors associated with a karaoke bar, particularly late at night. Residents in the area already face noise challenges, and the addition of this establishment would likely exacerbate these issues, negatively impacting their quality of life.

The intersection of Normandie and West 8th Street has a documented history of crime, including vandalism, auto theft, strong arm robbery and alcohol related loitering, and rampant sidewalk sales. This raises concerns about the potential for increased criminal activity if a full-service karaoke bar were to be re-established at this location. The safety of patrons and the surrounding community would be at risk, particularly considering the potential for alcohol-related incidents. Furthermore, the main parking area for the subject use is accessed from Irolo street. In the parking area, there are more than 50 shared parking spaces with the other shopping center uses. The back door to the parking area presents a particular opportunity for nuisance noise and acts of loitering and public drunkenness late at night. Granted that the subject use is planning for automobile parking, it can be deduced that some instances of intoxicated driving will emanate from the subject location.

I would like to point out that the subject requested use is in proximity to school and approval of the full alcohol request with the Karaoke bar may present opportunities for

negative impacts on youth.

The Robert F. Kennedy Community Schools, with its population of 5,000+ students, is located just 500 feet from the proposed site between Mariposa Avenue and Catalina Street. The presence of a full service karaoke bar with alcohol could have negative impacts on youth in the area, including encounters with intoxicated people, exposure to inappropriate behavior, and potential safety risks as it relates to diminishing safe routes to school.

The location is situated on a designated high-injury network street, 8th Street and Normandie. Between 2017 and 2018, there was one pedestrian / auto conflict that resulted in the death of the pedestrian at the intersection. The addition of a karaoke bar with ample parking could significantly increase traffic volume and attract intoxicated drivers, further endangering the safety of pedestrians and motorists on this already dangerous street.

Furthermore, the applicant has not garnered the support of the neighborhood council, LAPD or the Council Office.

In summary, I strongly urge you to deny the application for the proposed karaoke bar with full alcohol. The project is incompatible with the surrounding environment, presents a significant risk to public safety, and poses potential negative impacts on nearby residents and students.

Therefore, I recommend that the Area Planning Commission Approve the appeal application and Deny the continued use and maintenance of a Karaoke establishment with alcohol. If you have any further questions, you can call my office at 213-473-7010.

Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Heather Hutt", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Councilwoman Heather Hutt
Tenth District