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## Notice of Completion and Availability for the 6220 West Yucca Street Project Draft EIR (ENV-2014-4706-EIR)

Susan Hunter <heysuzhunter@gmail.com> Thu, Apr 30, 2020 at 1:40 PM  
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Hi Alan,

I would like to clarify my ask. I am not asking that the comment period be extended. I am saying it need to be halted completely until after the stay at home order is lifted. Then the planning department can open the comment and review period after 30 days after the period is lifted.

Are you saying that the planning department and city hall are open for people to come in and review the file in person? Has the planning department taken into consideration that internet access is a privilege, and is not a publicly provided service? And that many homes in LA do not have internet? Has the planning department taken into consideration that only the EIR is available online? How do I know what copies of documents in the file I will need without looking at the file first? The decision made by the planning staff that having only the EIR available online or at the cost of \$5 isn't inclusive of members of the public who don't own a computer or have internet. So how is the city going to provide access for those people?

To be clear, what you are proposing isn't enough to meet public involvement needs. So what is the planning departments plan for those who don't have internet? Are you opening up the planning department to come and look at the rest of the file outside of the EIR? When?

Susan

On Thu, Apr 30, 2020 at 12:24 PM Alan Como <alan.como@lacity.org> wrote:

Susan,

Thank you for your email.

The City has received your request for a time extension to the 6220 West Yucca Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) comment period in light of COVID-19.

Per CEQA Guidelines Section 15105, the public review period for a Draft EIR should not be less than 30 days nor should it be longer than 60 days, except under unusual circumstances. While we agree that these are unprecedented times, as indicated in the Notice of Availability and Completion (NOA) for the 6220 West Yucca Draft EIR, the Draft EIR, in its entirety, is available for review on our website at this link: <https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/eir/6220-yucca-project>

If you are having difficulty accessing the document in any way (i.e. if links are not working or if the attachments cannot be viewed) please let us know immediately, as we are committed to making the document as accessible as possible from the safety of your own home, and in compliance with the "Stay at Home" Order. In addition, as also indicated in the NOA, anyone can also request a CD-ROM, flash drive or hard copy of the Draft EIR.

While we understand that the "Stay at Home" Order prevents neighborhood groups from meeting in person, please be advised that CEQA does not require people to meet and confer on the EIR, and should not preclude anyone from reviewing the EIR and providing comments.

Furthermore, pursuant to the Governor's Executive Order N-54-20, signed April 22, 2020, deadlines for filing, noticing, and posting of CEQA documents with county clerk offices have been suspended for 60 days. However, deadlines for public review and comment periods for CEQA documents, such as for draft EIRs, have not been suspended and the provisions governing public review remain unchanged.

As such, please be advised that, as the Draft EIR remains accessible to all individuals, the comment period will not be

extended at this time. We understand your concern regarding this Project, and ask that you let us know if you have any difficulty accessing the Draft EIR or if you need additional accommodations to be able review it offline.

Please also be reminded that all comments must be provided in writing, and may be submitted electronically via email, or hard copy via mail. Submittal of comments in person is not required, nor recommended.

Thank you.

On Thu, Apr 30, 2020 at 10:51 AM Susan Hunter <[heysuzhunter@gmail.com](mailto:heysuzhunter@gmail.com)> wrote:

Mr. Como,

I am still awaiting a response to my email.

Why is the City Planning Department opening review and comment periods on large scale developments while the population is under a Stay-at-Home order? We can't access the DEIR at the library, or any documents at the Planning Department, or documents at City Hall.

So why is the public being barred access to public documents while the developer is allowed to proceed forward on large scale projects?

I am asking that any review periods be suspended while the Stay-at-Home order is in place and for 30 days afterwards. We have to deal with paying rent, being sick, and the loss of loved ones. Does the Planning Department really think this is acceptable to prevent us from looking at documents while asking for input? How is this not being done as a way of showing favoritism to developers over the community?

Please withdraw all review and comment requests on all projects until after the order is lifted.

Susan Hunter

On Thu, Apr 23, 2020 at 11:28 AM Susan Hunter <[heysuzhunter@gmail.com](mailto:heysuzhunter@gmail.com)> wrote:

Mr. Como,

I am in receipt of this draft EIR notification. However, I am unsure why public notice for a draft EIR is being sent out when we are still under a Stay at Home order due to COVID-19. We can't access the library to review the file. As such, I am asking that with limited public resources, this notice and it's review period be suspended until the lifting of the order. It is incomprehensible that anyone who is having to deal with loss of jobs, loss of family members, or battling this sickness would be expected to have an ability to review this information.

So I am respectfully asking that this, and all project EIR's reviews, be withdrawn until 30 days after the order is lifted.

Susan Hunter

On Thu, Apr 23, 2020 at 9:28 AM Alan Como <[alan.como@lacity.org](mailto:alan.como@lacity.org)> wrote:

Hello,

You are receiving this email because you are an interested party and/or a mandated recipient of the Notice of Completion and Availability for the [6220 West Yucca Street Project Draft Environmental Impact Report \(EIR\)](#).

This email is to inform you that the City has released the Draft EIR for the 6220 West Yucca Street Project, which is now available for public review on the City's website at the following location: <https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/eir/6220-yucca-project>. In addition, digital copies may be provided via CD-ROM or USB flash drive. Due to current events surrounding COVID-19, the City is taking additional steps to provide the public access to documents. Should you need special accommodations, please contact me directly.

The comment period for the Draft EIR is from April 23, 2020 to June 8, 2020. If you wish to provide comments, please reference the Environmental Case No. above, and submit them in writing by Monday, June 8, 2020, no later than 4:00 p.m.

Written comments may be submitted via:

Mail:

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Please see the attached Notice for more information. Thank you.



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