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Subject: Hollywood Center Project

Dear Ms. Nguyen:

My name is Sylvia McBride, and I am submitting this letter in support of the Hollywood Center project. I am unable to attend the City's upcoming hearing due to a previous obligation, but I wanted to include my comments in the record as I believe this project is of great importance to not just Hollywood, but to Los Angeles as a whole.

Los Angeles County saw a 22% increase in homeless older adults age 62 and over from 2017-2018, and an additional 10% increase from 2019-2020. By allocating affordable units for older adults, Hollywood Center is creating a model for future development in Los Angeles. Including affordable housing with market-rate units is the future of building, and one of the few ways we can both fight our housing crisis in Los Angeles and continue to add diversity to our communities.

Hollywood is a neighborhood. It's not just block letters on a hill, or stars on a sidewalk, it is a living place made up of people. Those people are of all ages and come from all places. It's what makes Hollywood so special.

The Hollywood Center is a project that would add to this community, not subtract. This project will bring much needed public open space to a downtown area that is severely lacking in it. The power of engaging with the outdoors is one that has become especially significant in this time. Providing nearly $\frac{3}{4}$ of an acre of well-designed open space would be an asset not just for the future residents, but for all who visit, work, and live there.

The Hollywood of the future will rely on these units, please don't discount them today. Thank you for your time.

Regards,

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