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Subject: Re: Objection to 45 Day Comment for EIR ENV-2018-2116-EIR

Dear Jennifer, Rudy and Parker:

Thank you for your email. Your comments have been received and will be included in the administrative record for the Hollywood Center Project EIR. The City has also received your request, together with other requests, for an extension of the Hollywood Center Project 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 Completion and Availability (NOA) for the Hollywood Center Project Draft EIR, the Draft EIR, the documents referenced in the Draft EIR, and the whole of the case file, are available for public review on our website at the following location: <https://planning.lacity.org/development-services/eir/hollywood-center-project-1>.

If you are having difficulty accessing the document in any way (i.e. if links are not working or 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 homes, and in compliance with the "Stay at Home" Order. In addition, and as also indicated in the NOA, the Draft EIR can be made available on CD-ROM, USB flash drive or hard copy for anyone who requests one.

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.

If it would be helpful to schedule a phone call to discuss any specific questions you may have, or to walk you through the logistics of the Draft EIR, please let me know and I will coordinate accordingly.

Regards,

On Thu, Apr 30, 2020 at 9:37 AM JP van Zyl <jennifervanzyl@mac.com> wrote:

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**Objection to 45-Day Comment Period for Draft EIR ENV-2018-2116-EIR
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Hollywood Center Project**

SENT VIA [EMAIL: MINDY.NGUYEN@LACITY.ORG](mailto:MINDY.NGUYEN@LACITY.ORG)

Dear Ms. Nguyen.

Our family lives in the Hollywood Dell neighborhood, a short distance away from the proposed Hollywood Center Project. We

are dismayed to hear that the City has approved the minimum allowed comment period during this time of quarantine because it prevents our community from meeting and discussing the options.

As surely you and the other City officials know, the proposed project is of GREAT CONCERN to our community and residents...there is much to consider from infrastructure to traffic to safety. Our area is already burdened with heavy freeway activity (which hasn't been upgraded in the 22 years we've lived in the area) and tourism and Hollywood Bowl/Ford traffic and this project must include improvements to our infrastructure and quality of life.

Therefore, we ask that the City grant an extension of the public comment period to the DEIR for at least 90 days AFTER the lifting of local and state "Safer At Home" orders. This seems the reasonable and fair way to proceed given the extraordinary circumstances we are all operating under.

Most sincerely,

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