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Sent time: 05/01/2020 10:10:09 AM
To: Miranda Richards <mirandarichards@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: Hollywood Center Development Public Comment Period Extension

Dear Miranda,

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 10:31 PM Miranda Richards <mirandarichards@sbcglobal.net> wrote:

Dearest Mindy Nguyen,

I am asking that the public comment timeline on the Hollywood Center Development be extended to ninety days after the Safer at Home ordinance is lifted. It is a direct conflict of interest to schedule public comments from April 16-May 31st, while public is ordered to remain home.

The Hollywood Center Development has been a huge point of contention without proper earthquake, safety, and transportation studies. Another project that the same developer spearheaded in San Francisco, is facing a \$100 million dollar retrofit due to a sinking foundation. For two buildings that will be nearly fifty stories high, we need to be extremely cautious about developing on sites with slope and grade, which this project proposes, in an earthquake-prone area. I am not opposed to development in Hollywood, but please be cautious of special interest developers who do not have the best interest or safety of the community at heart.

Thank you for your urgent consideration,

~Miranda Richards
Beachwood Canyon homeowner, Los Angeles, CA

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