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Sent time: 05/11/2020 09:26:05 AM
To: helena lipstadt <helenalips@gmail.com>
Subject: Re: The Hollywood Center

Dear Helena,

Thank you for your email.

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), or if you are aware of anyone who has limited access to the document online, we have also offered that the Draft EIR be made available on CD-ROM, USB flash drive or hard copy for anyone who requests one, 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.

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 Sun, May 10, 2020 at 6:36 PM helena lipstadt <helenalips@gmail.com> wrote:

To Whom it May Concern:

As a resident of Los Angeles and a near neighbor of the proposed development,
I am writing to **demand an extension for the comment period on The Hollywood Center project.**

Los Angeles is on lockdown. Libraries where hard copies of the DEIR have been distributed for viewing are closed. Transportation to view a copy of the document downtown is very limited and access is problematic.

The surrounding community has many concerns about this project. **We demand more time to review the planned development. Closing the comment period on June 1 during a city-wide lockdown is unacceptable.**

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