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Subject: Re: Hollywood Center Project

Hi Lanny,

Thank you for your email. Your comments have been received and will be included in the administrative record for the Hollywood Center Project EIR. Response to your comments will be provided in the Final EIR, for which you will be notified once available for public review.

Once the Final EIR is released, there will be a public hearing process for the related entitlements, at which time, I would advise that you provide any comments regarding non-CEQA related issues for the decision maker's consideration.

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.

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 advised that this is not your only opportunity to comment on the Project, as we continue to collect general public comment at any time throughout the process.

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, May 28, 2020 at 10:53 AM Lanny Ziering <zaptrax@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Ms. Nguyen,

I live in Hollywood at 1645 Vine Street, Apt 507, LA, CA 90028

I am deeply concerned about the planned Hollywood Center Project. This project is totally out of scale with the surrounding neighborhood and will have significant negative impact on the quality of life for all residents in the area. I am not against there being any residential development in the area, but I am very strongly against a development which is out of scale and character

with our community, especially a project that will have such a large negative impact on traffic, noise, pollution and our urban life.

I was shocked to learn that the approval process for the project is taking place during the Covid-19 pandemic while we are under both State of California and City of Los Angeles Shelter at Home orders. How can the Mayor's office and City Council have allowed this? It certainly appears that the City of LA is facilitating an attempt by the developer to ram through a project while local residents have little or no way to respond.

At a minimum the consideration period for project approval must be extended until residents are able to move around freely so that we can respond to the EIR in an appropriate manner. Hopefully, we can stop this wholly inappropriate project before it does permanent damage to our community.

Sincerely,

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