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Subject: Extension of Hollywood Center Development (aka: Millennium Group) Comment Period

Hello Mindy Nguyen,

As a resident of Hollywood I am asking for the LA Department of City Planning to extend the public comment period for the proposed Hollywood Center Development (aka: Millennium Group) for a period of 90 days minimum once the "Safer at Home" order has been lifted. This proposed project is of great concern to our community, and while we are under a "Safer at Home" order due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we request more time in regards to stating our concerns on the project.

Personally, I am opposed to this project. Not just for its irresponsible architecture that is both unsafe (active fault line) and unappealing, or because it strips away the historical value that is Hollywood, or because it has no intention of solving a housing crisis in L.A. that is economically drive by offering rents no Hollywood resident should have to afford. NO. Today, we have a new threat, it's called social proximity. And I find it surprising that the cities solution is to stack people on top of one another. Have we not learned anything from our cousins in New Jersey/Long Island, who are so densely packed in high-rise communities (and public transportation) that 1/3 of the nations 70,000 COVID-19 deaths can be accounted for in this region alone?

Space, that is something we need to be concerned about. Restoring and re-thinking our preexisting infrastructures that California has been known for - instead of striping them away and rebuilding a "modern" vision from non-Californian developers, would still drive our construction economy, create jobs; and all without caving to the international conglomerates and special interests groups. Because, stacking people on top of each other in NOT the answer.

I believe that everyone should be able to have their opinion heard in an open forum. And it is for that reason I, like many other voting continuants, am alarmed to hear that the City has only provided the minimum comment period (April 16 - May 31st), during the "Safer At Home" order. This projects overall impact on the city needs to be thoroughly considered, and everyone deserves the right to speak. Not everyone has access to the internet to be able to review and comment in the time frame allotted. Further more, those opposed to this action deserve more time to inform the public on what we can do to voice our opinions, considering physical public forums, rallies and other group actions are not possible.

Sincerely,
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