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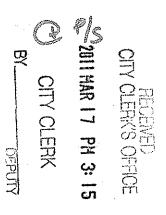
Honorable Eric Garcetti Honorable Ed P. Reves Honorable Paul Krekorian Honorable Dennis P. Zine Honorable Tom LaBonge Honorable Paul Koretz Honorable Tony Cardenas Honorable Richard Alarcon Honorable Bernard C. Parks Honorable Jan Perry Honorable Herb J. Wesson, Jr. Honorable Bill Rosendahl Honorable Greig Smith Honorable Jose Huizar Honorable Janice Hahn City of Los Angeles 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Council Meeting March 18, 2011 Agenda Item No. 25 Council Files 10-2440, 10-2354 and 10-1901

Dear President Garcetti ET AL:

Do not agree to the Housing, Community and Economic Development Committee Report presented.

This is a plan based in deception. Changes made from the Mayor's Letter of December 30, 2011 to this report is significant and warrants circulation and public comments as provided in 24CFR 91.105.



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(3) Citizen comment on the citizen participation plan and amendments. The jurisdiction must provide citizens with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the original citizen participation plan and on substantial amendments to the citizen participation plan, and must make the citizen participation plan public. The citizen participation plan must be in a format accessible to persons with disabilities, upon request.

The amount of changes from the Mayor's letter is substantial. We cannot locate Attachment K that refers to SNL 32 Total Sites. We assume that to mean Summer Night Lights 32 Total Sites. Attachment K provided in these documents is titled "Community Block Grant (CDBG) Expenditure Policy and Guidelines" and does not relate to an individual projects.

Attachment I-1 includes programs not submitted for Citizen Participation comments. After publication in a newspaper of wide circulation, there should be a public comment period. These projects are:

- Westlake Theatre \$1,000,000
- Las Villas \$750,000
- North Hollywood Industrial Infrastructure \$500,000
- ICON \$350,000
- Sun Valley Street Lighting \$200,000
- El Dorado and Bromwich Sidewalk Improvements \$600,000
- Neighborhood Legal Services of Los Angeles County NLSLA \$35,000
- Tom Bradley Legacy Foundation (financial literacy)-to leverage federal/state grant funding \$150,000
- Acquisition of 5975 S. Western 1,000,000
- Vision Theatre \$3,000,000
- Western/Slauson BID Study \$75,000
- Gensler \$300,000
- Shelter Upgrades \$100,000
- New Horizons \$200,000

One of the projects listed LAS VILLAS INC. has been shelved. The land is vacant and the intended project cannot be funded. We object to funding given without a substantial project WHERE THE COMMUNITY IS INFORMED.

All these projects need descriptions.

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Revised Schedule A-1 includes projects not presented in the Mayor's letter. They include:

- Project 53 KHEIR Family Services \$250,000
- Project 58 ICON Business Outreach Program \$168,119
- Project 59 LABAP Growth Industry Business Assistance Centers \$142,945
- Project 60 LABAP Retail Business Assistance Centers-Downtown \$150,000
- Project 67 Pico Hauser Retail Project \$220,000
- Project 68 Taylor Yard Transit Village \$500,000
- Project 83 Single Family Rehabilitation-home Secure \$220,815
- Project 85 UHC-Crossings at North Hills \$600,000
- Project 95 Burbank Blvd. Streetscape \$500,000
- Project 105 Fletcher Blvd. Streetscape \$500,000
- Project 106 Fulton and Van Owen Pocket Park \$480,000
- Project 127 SALEF Building (sic) Project \$75,000
- Project 151 Old City Jail Feasibility Study \$50,000

Many of these projects are CRA/LA Community Redevelopment Agency projects. The City Council has agreed to a Cooperation Agreement in the amount of \$930,000,000 (CF 11-0086). Instead of acting under the intention of the redevelopment laws for its citizens, the funding is being sheltered for use by developers.

Personal property and real property will be conveyed to the City (CRA/LA Special Meeting March 17, 2011).

This report fails to disclose which projects involve City property or CRA/LA transferred property.

Complete Streets and streetscapes need to be vetted in the General Plan and Community Plans before submission into Federal funding. There may be conflicts with other Federal laws and grants.

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The Consolidated Plan is being used to finance government, not effect those who live in the qualified census tracts.

Very truly yours,

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