



July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Good afternoon, my name is Isabel Rojas-Williams. I am with the Mural Conservancy of Los Angeles.

We wholeheartedly support the passing of the mural ordinance Version "A," because it is more representative of what all of us, the mural community, have been working toward for a long time.

We will support the passing of the mural ordinance Version "B," if provision # 7, page 7, "No mural shall be placed on a lot that is improved with only one single-family residential structure and accessory structures," is sent back for further research. This provision represents a limitation to the constitutional rights of ALL homeowners under the first and fifth amendments.

In this long process, we have discovered that together we represent a powerful group of creative people, admired throughout the world; we have discovered that our artists armed with brushes and spray paint are not voiceless any longer; we have discovered that regardless of language, ethnicity, or religion we'll stand together behind our Los Angeles to make it one of the most creative and vibrant cities in the world.

We are thankful to all of you, present and past Councilmembers, for your hard work and support, and we are ready to work with all of you and with our new Mayor. In return, our muralists will continue to beautify Los Angeles with some of the most amazing artworks as a legacy to generations to come.

**THANK YOU!**

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# Tarzana Property Owners Association

July 28, 2013

Councilmen Mitchell Englander, Jose Huizar, Gilbert Cedillo

Subject: **Mural Ordinance, Council File CF11-0923**

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**IF ADOPTED AS PROPOSED, THIS ORDINANCE WILL HAVE A TREMENDOUS IMPACT ON RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD CHARACTER.** While the ordinance includes a provision that requires those planning to install an art mural on their property to do community outreach, **there is no requirement** to respond to, act upon, or implement comments received from neighbors or the community.

We understand that some areas of the City may desire murals as an expression of art. To accommodate those areas, we propose that the ordinance be revised to prohibit murals in single family residential areas **UNLESS** more than 50% of the residents of the area vote to allow such murals in that area. **Opt-in, not opt-out.** This is an established method of modifying a City-wide ordinance, similar to the Residential Floor Area District provision of the Baseline Mansionization Ordinance.

**We request that the Planning Committee restore the original single family residential area exclusion, adopt opt-in, not, opt-out, or send the proposed ordinance back to the City Attorney's office for reconsideration.**

  
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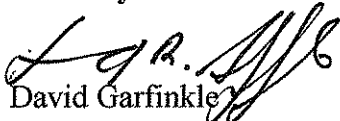
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# Melody Acres Neighborhood Association

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The Melody Acres Neighborhood Association (MANA) strongly opposes the current version of the proposed Mural Ordinance to be heard before the City Council on July 30, 2013. As first proposed by the Planning Department, murals were to have been excluded from residential properties of fewer than five units. The City Planning Commission modified the proposed ordinance to exclude residential properties of two or fewer units. Murals were to be allowed anywhere in the city except for duplex and single family zoned properties. PLUM subsequently directed the City Attorney to draft an ordinance **allowing murals on all residential properties**. That's the version before you.

**IF ADOPTED AS PROPOSED, THIS ORDINANCE WOULD HAVE A TREMENDOUS IMPACT ON THE RURAL NATURE OF OUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S CHARACTER.**

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We understand that some areas of the City may desire murals as an expression of art. To accommodate those areas, we propose that the ordinance be revised to prohibit murals in single family residential areas **UNLESS** more than 50% of the residents of the area vote to allow such murals in that area. **Opt-in, not opt-out**. This is an established method of modifying a City-wide ordinance, similar to the Residential Floor Area District provision of the Baseline Mansionization Ordinance and to the Modified Parking Requirement District Ordinance.

**We request that the Planning Committee restore the original single family residential area exclusion, adopt opt-in, not, opt-out, or send the proposed ordinance back to the City Attorney's office for reconsideration.**

  
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