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## Fwd: I Oppose the Hollywood Community Plan

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------Forwarded message ------From: **Richard Abrams** <rickleeabrams@hotmail.com> Date: Sun, May 6, 2012 at 5:15 PM Subject: RE: I Oppose the Hollywood Community Plan To: coucilmember.huizar@lacity.org, councilmember.englander@lacity.org, Councilmember Reyes <councilmember. reyes@lacity.org>, councilmember.garcetti@lacity.org Cc: Sharon Gin <sharon.gin@lacity.org>

**Dear Councilmembers:** 

"Development" does not mean more density. We want "improvement." To the extent that people confuse a call for Development with a request for more density, they misunderstand.

To the extent Development implies lack of build-out, i.e. the need add more and more buildings, Hollywood is over-developed. What Hollywood needs is action that results in Improvement. We need better infrastructure for the people who already live here. We do not need to build more mass transit like subways for people who probably never will come to Hollywood. The facts have proven the Hollywood subway has been a financial disaster and has simultneously helped cause a real estate bubble in central Hollywood while depressing real estate values elsewhere in Hollywood, especially in neighborhoods contiguous to subway stations.

Those CRA mixed-use projects are not Development. They are Corruption. Those projects are a diversion of public funds into the pockets of a few super wealthy people while ignoring the problems we already have. Planning Director Gail Goldberg warned about the corruption where the value of land is based on how much a developer can influence (e.g. bribe) a councilmember. Garcetti, LaBonge, and other councilmembers ignored Driector Goldberg.

Hollywood has many problems which need to be improved. Some are:

Lack of quality schools Lack of fire services Deficient libraries Terrible streets Horrible traffic congestion Lack of water supplies and antiquated water system Inadequate electrical system vulnerable to terrorist cyber attacks Low quality internet service severly limiting the services we could receive How to de-construct TOD's

Hollywood does not need one more person per square mile. Overall Los Angeles is denser that New York City overall. Hollywood's density is thankfully becoming less and less thanks to the unintended consequences of Garcetti's and the CRA's mixed-use projects which have driven people out of Hollywood.

The True Believers in the New Ubranism do not care for facts or other people's opinions. All people like Garcetti care about is more and more money to his developer buddies and the pursuit of his wet-dreama of turning Hollywood into another Times Square. He reminds us of Biff in <u>Back to the Future</u>, for the time he had the Sports Almanac and took over the Hill Valley. We've seen Biff Garcetti's Hollywood and we reject it. That is why we reject the Hollywood Community Plan.

Date: Sun, 6 May 2012 16:00:32 -0700 From: beachwoodcanyon@sbcglobal.net Subject: I Oppose the Hollywood Community Plan To: coucilmember.huizar@lacity.org; councilmember.englander@lacity.org; councilmember.reyes@lacity.org; councilmember.labonge@lacity.org; councilmember.garcetti@lacity.org

I care about Hollywood and want to see it preserved, protected and improved. I don't want increased density, more traffic and congestion. I want height limits, an improved infrastructure and community input. Development is essential but it must be realistic, sensitive and sensible!!! If you care to look at a current petition that's going around, you will see it on the right side of the following website: SaveHollywood.org

Fran Reichenbach, president of Beachwood Canyon Neighborhood Association

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