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 Subject: RE: OPPOSE Council File # 12-0460-S4  
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Dear Councilman Ryu,

I am writing to strongly OPPOSE Zoning Code / Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) / Reorganization of Administrative Provisions / Amendment, Council File 12-0460-S4; Case No. CPC-2016-3182-CA; ENV-2016-3183-CE ("Proposed Ordinance").

Everyone needs a voice when it comes our communities and this ordinance takes away that voice and sends us down a path of reckless development. City Planning should be planned not just abdicated to the for-profit market benefiting from real estate speculation. The City and developers must compromise to create a more balanced livable city for residents, voters and taxpayers.

Please send this Proposed Ordinance back to Planning and do not pass on to PLUM or Council until Planning has done the following:

1. FIXED the Proposed Ordinance to INCLUDE the Neighborhood Councils in the authorities section with all of their Charter and LAMC powers, notices and rights. No exceptions.
2. FIXED the Council powers section -- there is no section of this that ought to eliminate, suspend, transfer or delegate any of Council's powers to anyone else -- not Vince Bertoni or his successor, not Eric Garcetti or his successor, not the State of California and not anyone else. It would be easy enough to say up front that there is no intent to do that and the Proposed Ordinance does not do that.
3. FIXED to get rid of every single solitary reference to State law and every addition to the City Charter (like Advisory Agency authority added per Charter) in this Ordinance. We should not amend the Charter or bring State law into our LAMC or Charter.
4. FIXED and revised every substantive law change. There are many:
  - The Director of Planning should not be able to grant incentives, to waive like reduced parking or deviations from the zoning code setbacks, density or Floor Area Ratios other than through the existing affordable housing provisions
  - The Director should not be able to waive public hearings to make "back room" deals.
  - This ordinance now allows developers to "stack" incentives to maximize their bonuses but provide the minimal amount of affordable housing units which then double count or triple count as both replacement units under state law and new affordable units under the Transit Oriented Communities
  - The Director of Planning ability to act to "interpret" ordinances passed by Council without a right of appeal back to Council to ask what they really meant.
5. FIX 500 foot radius (or more if not at least 20 neighbors), across the street, Certified NCs and any resident who has asked to be notified of any item within an area - all need to be preserved for notice, public hearing and right of appeal.