November 19, 2012

Honorable Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee
Honorable Jose Huizar
Honorable Mitch Englander
Office of the Los Angeles City Clerk
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, California

ATTENTION: PLUM COMMITTEE

Dear Chairman Reyes, Counsel Members Huizar and Englander:

RE: NBC Universal Evolution Plan (CPC-2007-GPA-ZC-SP-SPA-CA)

On behalf of the Officers and Local 695 membership I write to inform you of our support for this very important project. As you know, the Evolution Plan is a much needed re-investment in Los Angeles’ entertainment industry that will create thousands of local jobs. Local 695’s members have a vested interest in this project not only because of the job opportunity it affords citizens of this City but the role it will play in keeping more of the work our members are employed to perform in the entertainment industry: a California premiere industry we cannot lose.

We respectfully ask you to join us and support the NBC Universal Evolution Project.

We look forward to seeing you at the hearing on October 23rd.

Sincerely,

James A. Osburn, Executive Director/Business Representative

cc: Honorable Tom LaBonge
Honorable Zev Yaroslavsky

International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees, Moving Picture Technicians, Artists and Allied Crafts of the United States and Canada
Affiliated with the American Federation of Labor + California State Federation of Labor + Los Angeles Central Labor Council
October 22, 2012

Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee
Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: PLUM Committee
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012
Fax # 213-978-1079/213-978-1079


Dear Chairman Reyes, Councilmember Huizar and Councilmember Englander:

On behalf of NABET-CWA Local 53’s 1800 members, I am writing to you to express support for this important project. The Evolution plan will allow a much needed re-investment in Los Angeles’ entertainment industry that will create thousands of local jobs. My membership has a vested interest in this project because it will create additional jobs in connection with proposed studios being constructed.

I ask that you join us and support the NBCUniversal Evolution Project. We look forward to seeing you at the hearing on the 23rd.

Sincerely,

Steven B Ross
PRESIDENT

cc: Hon. Tom LaBonge
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky

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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers——

I'm so excited that the Evolution Plan is finally moving forward. The Evolution Plan – No Residential alternative certainly makes sense. This proves what I've known all along, that NBCUniversal really cares about its neighbors and the community.

They took into consideration the concerns of the community and have come up with a plan that's a win-win for everyone. I was pleased to learn from the Final EIR that all of the traffic and transit improvements are still part of the plan. This kind of investment in our community will have far reaching effects on our local economy, not to mention our traffic.

Bravo Universal. This is a great plan worthy of a speedy approval.

Sincerely,

Marencio Orozco

CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
    Ms. Corinne Verdery
OCTOBER 2012

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Hon. Jose Huizar
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Salutation: Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers - -

I ASK YOU, WHO DOESN'T LOVE HARRY POTTER?

WHAT A GREAT COUP FOR LOS ANGELES TO HAVE THE WIZARDING WORLD OF HARRY POTTER AND ALL ITS MAGICAL EXCITEMENT AT OUR VERY OWN Universal City. HOGWARTS AND HARRY POTTER WILL BE A TRUE DELIGHT FOR BOTH LOCAL RESIDENTS AND VISITORS FROM AROUND THE WORLD.

I TRULY COMMEND COMCAST FOR BEING WILLING TO INVEST SO MUCH MONEY AND CONFIDENCE IN A MAJOR THEME PARK ENHANCEMENT THAT WILL RESULT IN A HUGE BOOST IN TOURISM AND OUR ECONOMY—THAT'S A BENEFIT TO THE ENTIRE REGION.

I AM 100% IN SUPPORT OF NBC Universal's Evolution Plan with no residential component and ask that it be approved in the timeliest manner.

SINCERELY,

RANIER KENNY

1255 Camarillo St Apt 108
Toluca Lake, CA 91602
Hi Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

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So as you can imagine, I was glad to learn from NBCUniversal's recent announcement that they were going to focus on the Evolution Plan No Residential option, which means that they will be putting more emphasis on their core business of entertainment.

The theme park is definitely ready for an upgrade and you can bet that not only will tourists from out of town be coming, but also us locals will be glad to have some new attractions.

I hope everyone can work together to make this plan a reality.

Sincerely,

Roberto Quezadas

CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
    Ms. Corinne Verdery
October 10, 2012

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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

The NBCUniversal Evolution Plan is exactly the kind of investment we need to spark our local economy. With an alternative for the Evolution Plan that contains no housing, more than a billion dollars will be devoted to upgrading studio facilities to keep pace with new technologies, and improving the theme park for tourists and local visitors. The sooner they can start building, the better off we'll be.

This alternative represents the best possible outcome from years of discussions with neighbors. It also re-affirms the commitment to spend $100 million for transit and traffic improvements which will never get done without the project. It's a responsive and responsible plan, supporting key industries, creating jobs, and providing transportation alternatives and traffic relief.

I support this plan, and I hope you will, too. Thank you for your consideration. Sincerely,

cc: Councilmember Tom LaBonge
Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
Corinne Verdery, NBCUniversal
October 2012

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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I have always found Universal City to be a great place to go with friends and family, and I was pleased to learn that with this Final version of the EIR, NBC Universal will be paying even more attention to City Walk and the theme park, including a new Harry Potter attraction.

This will mean more jobs and more tourism in LA and I want to register my support for this project and my hopes that it will be quickly approved. We must always strive to help business grow responsibly and create jobs.

By expanding the space devoted to entertainment, theme park attractions, retail and dining, NBC Universal is re-envisioning itself and I welcome that.

Sincerely,

Philip Lipp

12652 Kling St *** Studio City, CA 91604
October 18, 2012

Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee
Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: PLUM Committee
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012


Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

My vote is in favor of this plan and I would like to see you vote in favor of this plan. As a long time resident of California, Los Angeles and the San Fernando Valley we need to start moving forward again. We need jobs, we need to be business friendly and we need visible signs that we are a vibrant community. I believe that this plan will accomplish all three objectives.

I live within three miles of Universal, have a son who is employed by NBC Universal, and just last week I took my son's family and my daughter's family to dinner at Citywalk. So I live here, my son works there and we all spent our leisure time there. For all those reasons I endorse what is trying to be accomplished through this plan.

For those detractors afraid of gridlock my response is take the subway. I take the Orange, Red and Blue/Expo lines to my job at 12th & Olive. It takes me approximately 45 minutes to an hour door to door and with the company subsidy my monthly commuting expense is $40. No more road rage and I am well read.

I can endorse this plan and not worry about what I don't know or what is not being said. That is not my feeling about Farmers Field and all the positioning about the field not costing the taxpayer any money. Who is going to pay for rebuilding the part of the Convention Center that must be demolished?

NBC Universal is looking to invest in our community through this plan, let them and help us.

Very truly yours,

Christopher Logan

Christopher Logan * 5439 Whitsett Avenue, #4 * Valley Village, CA 91607
October 10, 2012

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Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
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Los Angeles, CA 90012


Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:
In my line of work, I build consensus and bring communities together so that’s why I fully support the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan. The Evolution Plan No Residential Alternative is an excellent example of how NBCUniversal and city and county officials came together to reach agreement on a major development that will benefit all.

I’m delighted that NBCUniversal listened to the community’s concerns and eliminated the residential component of the Evolution Plan. The company has demonstrated that it wants to be a good neighbor and a long-term member of the community.

Please allow this terrific project to move forward.

Kind Regards,

Gayle Gale

cc: Hon. Tom LaBonge
     Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
     Ms. Corinne Verdery
October 2012

Mr. William Roscher, President

Members of the Planning Commission

City Planning Commission

200 North Spring Street, Room 272

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject: NBCUniversal Evolution Plan (CPC-2007-251-GPA-ZC-SP-SPA-CA)

Dear Mr. Roschen and Members of the Planning Commission - -

As a General Manager of a West Hollywood hotel, I know what it would mean to tourism and the hospitality industry if the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan was approved--a tremendous boost in business and the economy.

Our hotel would greatly benefit from the project, as would other area hotels. The construction industry would also gain through the addition of thousands of new jobs.

The project would go a long way in helping our economy and putting more people back to work--all of which I strongly welcome. I am in full support of the NBCUniversal Evolution No Residential Alternative.

Let's get this project approved!

Regards,

Fred Gholizadeh

Fred Gholizadeh
General Manager
8400 W. Sunset Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90069

cc: Hon. Tom LaBarge, L.A. City Council member
Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky, Supervisor
Ms. Corinne Verdery, NBCUniversal
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Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLAIM Committee
Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: PLAIM Committee
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I am impressed that the NBC Universal Evolution plan will still invest $100 million in traffic mitigation efforts, even though the alternative they support is an Evolution Plan alternative without a housing component.

It will be of real benefit to the community that their extensive plans in this area include freeway and intersection improvements, as well as mass transit in the form of buses and shuttles.

Traffic and congestion issues seem to have been thoroughly addressed and studied in this final EIR; it is now time to welcome this project to our community.

Respectfully,

Gloria Gold

cc: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky, Supervisor
Mr. Darnell Tyler, NBCUniversal
Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee
Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: PLUM Committee
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012


Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I'm pleased to hear that public hearings for the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan are finally getting underway. I have always been a supporter of the project, but I have to say that I like it even more now that the Evolution Plan contains an alternative with no residential.

I hope you will give this project strong consideration for approval.

Best regards,

Barry Greenstein
4554 Willowcrest Ave.
Toluca Lake, CA 91602
October 2012

Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee
Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: PLUM Committee
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012


Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I’m pleased to see that the public hearings on the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan are underway and I hope the project will be immediately approved.

The sooner we can get the project off the ground, the sooner we’ll be able to see its benefits -- more jobs, more tourists, and improved traffic conditions.

Let’s not waste any more time - please give the Plan’s no housing alternative your endorsement as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Gino Guevara
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North Hollywood, CA 91602
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Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers --

Congratulations to both the City and the County on the completion of the Final Environmental Impact Report on the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan. This document, which is voluminous in its scope and analysis, concludes many years of extensive review. Now that the final environmental document will soon go before the City for public hearings, I would like to go on record to endorse the Evolution Plan No Residential Alternative.

Despite the reduction in the project’s overall size with the no residential alternative, the applicant is still committed to investing at least $100 million in substantive transit and traffic improvements, including freeway upgrades, intersection improvements, a shuttle system and new buses, just to name a few.

Along with the traffic and transit improvements, the no residential alternative will create thousands of jobs and generate millions in new revenues for City and County coffers. With the economy continuing on a rocky path, we need this major investment in Los Angeles.

I ask that you make a positive recommendation on the Evolution Plan No Residential Alternative.

Sincerely,

cc: Hon. Tom LaBonge
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
    Ms. Corinne Verdery
October 22, 2012

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Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers -

As the economy struggles to recover, I was relieved to see that the Evolution Plan with no residential alternative will still generate thousands of jobs for area residents. While the construction jobs will certainly help that sector which was hit hard by the economic meltdown, the jobs that will be created in the entertainment sector are particularly important as they will help that industry continue to thrive in Southern California.

Moreover, the Evolution Plan no residential alternative will be an enormous investment in and commitment to the long-term viability of the entertainment and tourism industries in our state. For over a century, Universal has made its home in Los Angeles. NBCUniversal's willingness to invest $1.6 billion in this project means they mean to stay in our City for a long, long time to come.

The Evolution Plan has evolved enough...let's see it get built.

Thank you.

cc: Hon. Tom LaBonge
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
    Ms. Corinne Verdery
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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

Kudos to the City and County for analyzing a “no residential alternative” as part of the Evolution Plan environmental document. And applause goes to NBCUniversal for supporting that “no residential” option. It can’t have been an easy decision to make, but it certainly was the right decision and the community should thank them for it.

Now that the “no residential alternative” has been deemed the “environmentally superior” alternative, it’s time to get this project going. A $1.6 billion investment, $100 million in traffic and transit improvements, more than 30,000 new jobs and millions in new tax revenues are huge opportunities for Los Angeles. We should all do our best to get behind this outstanding project.

Very truly yours,

cc: Hon. Tom LaBonge (tom.labonge@lacity.org)
Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky (zev@bos.lacounty.gov)
Ms. Corinne Verdery (damell.tyler@nbuni.com)
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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

NBCUniversal’s Evolution Plan is aptly named as it has evolved a great deal over the many years of planning. And the “Evolution Plan without Residential” alternative is proof that planning pays off.

By supporting removal of the housing component, Universal demonstrates to the community that their opinions matter.
I’m hopeful that the theme park will be getting Harry Potter very soon. Los Angeles is the entertainment capitol of the world and we should have the best attractions here. I don’t want to have to go to Florida to enjoy Harry Potter. Let’s bring those tourism dollars to L.A.

Thank you for your consideration.

Best,

K.J. Kwan

CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
    Ms. Corinne Verdery
October 9, 2012

Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee
Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

NBC Universal continues to get my support for their plans to modernize their production facilities in Universal City.

While the plan includes a new alternative as part of the Final EIR, the central emphasis remains on facilities related to film/tv production. In fact, the elimination of planned residential housing will leave Universal’s back lot untouched and available for production use.

This is a vital industry for Los Angeles, developing entertainment for not only the nation, but also the world. I encourage you to approve this EIR so the project can get started.

Sincerely,

Mardik Martin

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Studio City, CA 91604-3026

cc: Councilman Tom LaBonge
    Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
    Corinne Verdery, NBCUniversal
John Marler
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North Hollywood, CA 91601-2912

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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers --

As someone who works in the entertainment industry, I am encouraged to see NBC Universal push forward with this project. I note that the Evolution Plan alternative that they are now pursuing jettisons the housing and adds square footage to the production facilities they had already planned.

This is all to the good, creating an even greater, more concentrated entertainment infrastructure that should serve us well into the future, helping to maintain Los Angeles as the foremost film/tv/digital production city.

Ever since I moved to California almost 10 years ago (to work in the entertainment industry), I’ve always lived in the Valley. I strongly support keeping as many industry jobs in the San Fernando Valley as possible. I truly believe that the Evolution Plan will help with this.

Let’s get it built!

All the best,

John Marler
Roberto Quezadas
3331 Laurel Canyon Boulevard
Studio City, CA 91604

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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

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I hope everyone can work together to make this plan a reality.

Sincerely,

Roberto Quezadas

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CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
Ms. Corinne Verdery
October 2012


Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers —

I'm Allen Rose and I'm a homeowner living at 7581 Mulholland Drive in Los Angeles. I've lived at that same address overlooking Universal City for more than 30 years and I'm pleased to be here today letting you know of my support for the Evolution Plan.

In the time that I've lived in my home, I've witnessed many changes at Universal. From the creation of CityWalk, to the construction of new parking structures for CityWalk and theme park visitors, to the many changes in ownership as evidenced by the change-out of corporate names or logos on the top of the former Texaco building.

In my view, change is good as it often brings new investment, new focus, and a new commitment to Los Angeles. With Comcast now in the lead ownership position of NBCUniversal, their decision to jettison the residential development and redirect their attention to production and tourism means good things for the local community and for the broader Los Angeles region.

The move away from residential should please those in the community who were concerned about such dense housing on Universal's backlot. And, by funneling their investment into two major employment sectors that require employees armed with diverse skill sets, thousands of new jobs will be created for Angeleneos who are anxious to get to work.

I think this is a terrific project and it's my sincere hope that you'll give the Evolution Plan a unanimous YES vote today.

Thank you.

Allen Rose
October 2012

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Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
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NBCUniversal Evolution Plan (CPC-2007-251-GPA-ZC-SP-SPA-CA)

Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I am writing in response to the release of the Final EIR for this project and to urge you approve it so that the project can move forward.

This horrific recession is no way near being over. So we need the thousands of jobs that this re-envisioning of Universal City will provide, and the sooner the better.

In its latest incarnation, with the elimination of housing, the plan's new focus on investment in infrastructure for production, be it film, video or pure digital, and in enhancing its theme park and City Walk entertainment attractions, will provide a large, multi-year shot in the arm for the local economy.

Sincerely,

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Vatche Markarian
October 10, 2012

Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee

Hon. Jose Huizar

Hon. Mitch Englander

Office of the City Clerk

Attn: PLUM Committee

200 North Spring Street, Room 395

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Reference: NBCUniversal Evolution Plan (CPC: 2007-251; GPA: ZC; SP; SPA; CA)

Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I'm pleased to be writing in support of the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan -- no housing alternative. This alternative represents years of discussion with adjacent neighbors and responds to the concerns of local communities.

NBCUniversal's willingness to invest $1.6 billion to improve the property is an unbelievable boost to the regional economy, and the 30,000 jobs created by the project are sorely needed as well. It's very important that we continue to support the entertainment & tourism industries in Los Angeles, which provide employment to our residents and benefits to local businesses.

Please approve this project as soon as possible. We've discussed it long enough, and now it's time to start building.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Anita Tetrault

cc: Councilman Tom LaBonge
    Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky
    Corinne Verderly, NBCUniversal
October 17, 2012

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Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: PLUM Committee

200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012


Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

Universal Studios Hollywood Theme Park has always been a favorite of my family. The tram tour and the behind the scenes aspect of moviemaking is fascinating, so I was excited to see the NBCUniversal’s Evolution Plan. No Residential will improve their theme park. One supports the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan No Residential option. I think that by concentrating their investment of $1.6 billion on studio productions and better theme park offerings, the company can remain competitive with other entertainment draws in Southern California. New attractions like Harry Potter mean more tourists, which is a huge for our City.

I think this plan is great and deserves to be approved.

Sincerely,

Mark J. Stone

CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky, Supervisor
Ms. Corinne Verdery, NBCUniversal

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Shlomo Eini

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Valley Glen, CA 91401

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Los Angeles, CA 90012

Subject -- NBCUniversal Evolution Plan (CPC-2007-251-GPA-ZC-SP-SPA-CA)

Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I have lived in Southern California my entire life so I care about what happens here. I am also an electrical contractor and understand the importance of new development projects like the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan. So, naturally, I am interested in this project as it would affect the region's future and potential job opportunities.

I support the NBCUniversal plan and I am writing to urge you to approve this project. Doing so would add countless construction jobs, support our local economy, and improve the quality of life for nearby residents through traffic improvements. It would also help draw more tourists to Los Angeles by bringing Harry Potter to Universal Studios.

I appreciate your time.

Best,

Shlomo Eini
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RE: NBCUniversal Evolution Plan (CPC-2007-251-GPA-ZC-SP-SPA-CA)

Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I am writing in response to your final Environmental Impact Report on the NBC Universal project.

I have supported this project since Day One and I continue to support it. There are relatively few locations in southern California where we can really leverage access to existing mass transit and where we should be encouraging development and most importantly job growth. Universal City, has a convenient Metro Red Line station right across the street, is a perfect location for this type of development, and creates a great template for future developments to emulate.

Coupled with plans discussed in the EIR to link the transit station with shuttles and existing bus lines, this is very type of economic growth that we should be supporting within the City of Los Angeles.

Additionally, having family members and many friends in the television and film industry, it is encouraging to know that NBC Universal is moving forward with this ambitious development to provide economic growth to our city and neighborhoods.

I encourage each of you to support this development plan and do what you can to help this project more forward.

Sincerely,

Sean Patrick Logal
October 20, 2012

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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I've been tracking the progress of NBC Universal's Evolution Plan for years and I've always supported their efforts. I believe that the Evolution Plan with no residential element will allow Universal to focus on what they do best - bringing entertainment to the world.

Film and television production is important not only to Los Angeles, but to the entire Southern California region. It is good to know that NBC Universal will be reinvesting so heavily in production and new technology. That's a wise decision, especially since so many people in our community, myself included, make their living in the entertainment biz.

I'm also thrilled that the theme park will be getting some upgrades. We need to encourage tourism, as the increased revenues will do wonders to boost the local economy. And everyone loves Harry Potter!

Let's get this project moving already. I think it's been studied and analyzed enough.

Thank you,

Rita Doumar

CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
    Corinne Verdery, NBC Universal
OCtober 2012

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Office of the City Clerk
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Los Angeles, CA 90012

Reference: NBCUniversal Evolution Plan (CPC-2607-251-GPA-ZC-SP-SPA-CA)

Salutation: Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers --

I ask you, who doesn't love Harry Potter?

What a great coup for Los Angeles to have the wizarding world of Harry Potter and all its magical excitement at our very own Universal City. Hogwarts and Harry Potter will be a true delight for both local residents and visitors from around the world.

I truly commend Comcast for being willing to invest so much money and confidence in a major theme park enhancement that will result in a huge boost in tourism and our economy— that's a benefit to the entire region.

I am 100% in support of NBC Universal's Evolution Plan with no residential component and ask that it be approved in the timeliest manner.

Sincerely,

Ranier Kenny

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Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers:

I am writing in support of NBCUniversal’s Evolution Plan. As a long-time resident of Studio City who has seen many changes in my neighborhood since 1969, I am very pleased with the proposals I see in the current version of the plan.

There is no question that the plan’s proposed transportation improvements will dramatically improve traffic flow and access, and help to relieve so many of the choke-points that have not been addressed by the city and CalTrans for a very long time.

The billions of dollars in additional investment in this area is both welcome, and continues a trend of consolidating studio assets in this part of Los Angeles. Our economic success hinges on maintaining studio enthusiasm for production in this part of town. The vitality of our neighborhoods, business districts, and other amenities is tied directly to the prosperity that plans like NBCU’s – and others that will key-off from the Evolution Plan decision – can bring to the area.

Universal’s decision for so many years to leave a portion of their land holdings undeveloped was, I’m sure, never meant to be a forfeiture of their right to develop their property to the same extent to which their neighbors were permitted. I would welcome an integrated and thoughtful development strategy like the one being offered today.

I encourage approval of the Evolution Plan and the speedy start of construction!

Best regards,

Paul Kradin
Studio City
October 18, 2012

Hon. Ed Reyes, Chair, PLUM Committee
Hon. Jose Huizar
Hon. Mitch Englander
Office of the City Clerk
Attn: PLUM Committee
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012


Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers - -

I hope you will quickly approve the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan with no housing component. NBCUniversal is an economic anchor for the City and the proposed plan. We need more, more, more jobs!

Good luck,

Enrique Madrigal
1949 Jones Avenue
Los Angeles, CA
October 18, 2012

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Re: NBC Universal Evolution Plan (CPC-2007-251-GPA-ZC-SP-SPA-CA)

Dear Chairman Reyes, Councilmembers Huizar and Englander:

On behalf of Sprinkler Fitters UA Local 709, I am writing to express support for this important project. The Evolution plan will allow a much needed re-investment in Los Angeles' entertainment industry.

We represent members who work for private contractors, who will be doing the major construction planned for the project. This will employ thousands of members who live in the City of Los Angeles. All of this work will be done under a Project Labor Agreement between the Building Trades and NBC Universal.

NBC Universal has worked closely with the neighborhoods surrounding it to ensure this project will be beneficial to all. The Evolution plan, with expanded theme park and new hotels, will bring much-needed additional revenue to the City's general fund and add hotel capacity. This will help Los Angeles reach its goal of becoming a world-class tourist and convention destination.

I ask that you join us and support the NBC Universal Evolution Project. We look forward to seeing you at the hearing Oct. 23.

Sincerely,

Michael P. Huerta
Business Manager
Sprinkler Fitters UA Local 709

CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge
Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky

johopeu #537, AFL-CIO, CLC
Dear Chairman Reyes and Councilmembers,

Our state is facing an unprecedented budget crisis. There simply is NO money for sorely needed transit and/or traffic improvement projects. That's why we desperately need projects like the NBCUniversal Evolution Plan.

The Evolution Plan no residential option not only means increased economic activity in the region, it means $100 million in transit improvements that would not otherwise be made.

I hope to see this plan come to fruition. City and County officials need to do everything that can be done to keep the economy moving. I only wish approval of this great plan could be on a faster track!

Thank you,

Thomas Edelberg

CC: Hon. Tom LaBonge, L.A. City Councilmember
    Hon. Zev Yaroslavsky
    Ms. Corinne Verdery