

Tuesday, August 13, 2013  
Planning and Land Use Management Committee  
City of Los Angeles

Dear Hon. Members of the Planning and Land Use Committee,

My name is Harvey Slater. I am a resident of Highland Park, a long time resident of Los Angeles, and I currently serve as Director at Large and Land Use Committee Chair on the Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council (HHPNC). I apologize that I could not attend this committee meeting in person but I am thankful that you will take my written statement into the public record in support of the Highland Park Transit Village (HPTV).

I believe that the scale, size, characteristics and aesthetics of the elevations and plans presented by McCormack Baron Salazar (MBS), developers of the HPTV represent a fair compromise after much community input over the past few years.

The 40% affordable housing set aside is a benefit to our community and a protection I am thankful for to help allay the displacement of existing low-income families and residents in the neighborhood. I believe that as members of the PLUM committee, it should be your charge to ensure that robust and responsive affordable housing unit set-asides be included in all new and re-purposed development agreements city-wide.

I support this project but I hope that you consider that there have been real concerns communicated to me, to the HHPNC land use committee, and to the members of the HHPNC regarding the impacts of construction and density that are not sufficiently mitigated. These concerns were outlined and submitted by the HHPNC to the Zoning Administrator during the public comment period for the Mitigated Negative Declaration in the spring of 2013.

I request that you please take these concerns under serious consideration and please ensure that Highland Park gets what it deserves for this development to be successful: Full mitigation of negative impacts and access to multimodal transit around the HPTV that includes bicycle lanes on North Figueroa Street.

Attached please find the letter voted on by the HHPNC and submitted to the zoning administrator on April 11, 2013.

Sincerely,

Harvey Slater  
Director at Large, Land Use Committee Chair  
Historic Highland Park Neighborhood Council  
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Harvey Slater', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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Dear Hon. Members of the Planning and Land Use Committee,

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