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Item 14-0057-S3 Raise Threshold to undefined number

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Dear Members,

I am writing you in comment of Item 14-0057-S3 (Cedillo - O'Farrell) regarding amending the Site Plan Review Ordinance.

I am heavily in opposition to this item. This should NOT be allowed and would be disastrous for neighborhoods.

This takes any interest and concern for your stakeholders OUT of our hands. There are so many issues with projects that are over 50 units and these issues impact the neighborhood GREATLY. Especially in the middle of Los Angeles and the city wide building frenzy that is happening. Of course there is parking, but in addition there are huge traffic implications of projects this size, infrastructure is a huge concern of neighborhoods. These issues are very complicated and take time to assess and make sure that these projects are being built safely and the neighborhoods can support them. Traffic in Los Angeles is a huge concern and where I live the accidents have increased due to the influx of these projects.

The environment is being wrecked. As I write this there are trees being destroyed in the lot next to me. Tis lot has been vacant for 40+ years and now there is a proposition to build 50 units here. Without neighborhood reaction and input you take away the very people who will voice concern and will be your voice in whether a project is valuable for the neighborhood. It is important for you to hear from the stakeholders and the effects of the projects on the neighborhood can be assessed correctly.

Another concern is that your STAKEHOLDERS are your voice. They are the ones that show up for you and give input on whether these projects are a benefit to the community. There are many developers that are not following City-Wide protocol and the process now keeps them all in check. I urge you to NOT RAISE the limit on site plan review. This would be a disastrous move for the neighborhood.

Thank you,
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