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June 17, 2015

The Honorable Curren D. Price Jr., Chair
Economic Development Committee
Office of the City Clerk
200 North Spring Street
Room 395, City Hall
Los Angeles, California 90012

SUBJECT: DESIGN COMPETITION FOR THE L. A. CONVENTION CENTER

Dear Council Member Price:

I am pleased to report to you and the other members of the Economic Development Committee that this morning the Board of Commissioners of the Convention and Tourism Development Department (CTD) voted to **support** the staff recommendation to select the HMC/Populous design team to undertake our proposed Expansion and Futurization Project for the Los Angeles Convention Center.

We were extremely pleased to receive such outstanding proposals from three incredibly well qualified design teams. Any of these teams could have done a great job for the City, but only one could be selected to lead the effort. We want to commend the Bureau of Engineering and our CTD staff for their thoughtful and professional assessment of the submittals.

Our Commission very much looks forward to working with you, as host Council District of the Los Angeles Convention Center, and the Economic Development Committee, as well as the City Council and the Mayor as we move forward with this exciting project.

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You have our full commitment to do everything in our power to maximize this campus as the economic engine it can be for the entire City!

Respectfully Submitted,



Jon Vein, President
Board of Commissioners, L.A. Department of
Convention & Tourism Development

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