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Martin Expo Town Center

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Dear Councilman Bonin and staff,

From: Nicholas Bliley [mailto:nickbliley@yahoo.com] Sent: Sunday, January 04, 2015 10:28 AM To: sergio.ibarra@lacity.org; luciralia.ibarra@lacity.org; councilmember.bonin@lacity.org; danmartin@ martinexpotowncenter.com Subject: Martin Expo Town Center

Dear Councilman Bonin and staff,

I am writing this email to you today to voice my support for the Martin Expo Town Center. I have been following the project for some time now and have reviewed the draft environment report. I am very excited to see the approval of this particular development project. Being so close to the almost completed Expo Line, having a community center within walking distance is exactly something that this part of this city needs. From what I've heard, the Bundy Station will be the hub for the westside, and having a live/work community so close seems so seamless.

I have worked directly across the street from the Martin Cadillac dealership for coming up on two years now. In that time, I have lived in four different apartments in four different cities around the Los Angeles area. I had tried to find housing as close to my job as possible, so commuting would be less of an issue, but there simply isn't enough residential options in the immediate area. In an area where there are a large amount of office buildings, the amount of housing available is atrocious. For me personally, I would love there to be a community center so close to work to make my life easier in all aspects, including, but not limited to, less travel expenses and commuting, entertainment, restaurants, and grocery stores close to home, and close proximity to public transportation.

To bring the topic of the Martin Expo Town Center off of myself for a minute, I personally feel that it will benefit the community and surrounding areas as a whole. There are not as many walkable communities in the Los Angeles area as needed, and this seems that it would be a perfect place for it. There are also not enough community serving retail, eateries and shops close by the proposed plan, and as mentioned previously, no housing in the immediate area at all. Adding more retail other than Bed Bath and Beyond types, in addition to housing, would benefit all and transform the area from a ghost town on the weekends.

I appreciate that the developer incorporated as much housing as possible in comparison with the existing zoning, which seems totally antiquated and inappropriate for being near the Expo Line, and Station Area Plan alternatives in the draft report. I believe adding as much housing as possible and neighborhood serving retail in our employment center will have the effect of actually reducing car trips by allowing people to walk rather than drive. From this perspective, the 8,400 car trips seems overstated from reality. The project also seems appropriate in size and right where it belongs, considering it is nearest the train and on the corridor and will put many Expo Line riders closest to the Bundy Station.

Thank you for taking the time to read my input. There are many positives to the potential development of the Martin Expo Town Center and I hope for my sake, and for the future of West LA, that you strongly consider making it a part of my community, and yours as well.

Sincerely,

Nick Bliley

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Good afternoon Councilman Bonin and staff,

I am writing this email as a follow up to an email i sent back in early 2015. I have copied said letter below. It was in regards to the Martin Expo town center and how I would very much like to see it approved. I have worked across the street from the proposed site for a few years now, and I would want nothing more than to see this site get approved for multiple reasons. The main being, I would love to live directly across the street from my office and be able to walk a block to work in the morning. It would be so convenient for me, and I know my colleagues would feel the same way.

If you have any questions or would like to speak to me directly, please don't hesitate to reach out to me @ 818-472-5020.

All the best, Nick Bliley

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Councilman Bonin,

It wanted to re-iterate my support of the METC project and highlight the need for employee housing near the California Cryobank. We have nearly 200 employees, and many want to live within walking distance of work. We are anxiously awaiting the METC development and look forward to the additional housing it will provide to our employees.

Thank you for your consideration,

Richard D. Jennings

President, Stem Cell Services

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From: Richard Jennings [mailto:RJennings@familycord.com] Sent: Thursday, January 15, 2015 11:05 PM To: councilmember.bonin@lacity.org Cc: sergio.ibarra@lacity.org; luciralia.ibarra@lacity.org Subject: Martin Expo Town Center

Councilman Bonin,

I am writing to express my support for the Martin Expo Town Center (METC). This development will provide housing and restaurants that are needed in the communiy. I work at the California Cryobank where there are 160 employees, many of whom really like the idea of being able to live close to work. Given that the location for the proposed

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development is less than 2 blocks away from our office, many of the employees were excited to learn of the METC plans. The employees like the idea of being able to walk to work and enjoy shopping and dining in the local area. When the team from METC came to the California Cryobank and shared their ideas about the development, several employees expressed their desire to live in the new housing. I believe that this type of development will be good for the community, and will be helpful in attracting and retaining telented people to help grow our business.

I hope that you will approve the METC development plan, and facilitate the continued growth of of our community.

Best regards,

Richard D. Jennings

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