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Let's Save the Lytton Savings Bank Building

1 message

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Mon, Oct 24, 2016 at 4:14 PM

Dear Mr. Lamborn:

As you know, I have on numerous occasions written and presented comments in support of the preservation of the Lytton Savings Bank Building. I have just finished sending letters to all the Citycouncilmen on your Committee requesting their support of the designation of this wonderful Mid-Century Modern architectural gem as a Los Angeles Historic Cultural Monument.

The building which features a pre-cast concrete panel pleated roof is the only one of its kind along the entire stretch of Sunset Blvd from downtown to the beach! It provided a drive through teller service, a unique feature and excellent example of LA's Mid-Century Car Culture. It retains its architectural integrity. It is a significant example of our architectural heritage and should be preserved.

The building epitomizes the LA of Marilyn Monroe and the Beach Boys, a wonderful period of optimism and exuberance in the history of our City. For that alone it merits preservation.

While The Environmental, Beautification and Preservation Chair of the HHWNC, I obtained their vote to support its preservation. Now I am asking you and your Committee to preserve it for future generations. I guarantee that appreciation for its design and significance will only increase as time goes on.

I am a great fan of Frank Gehry and believe he can design a beautiful complex for this site while preserving this wonderful building.

Sincerely yours,

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Director WHCA
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Sent from my iPad



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8150 Sunset Support Letter from Geoffrey Haba

1 message

Geoffrey Haba <geoffhaba@gmail.com> Reply-To: geoffhaba@gmail.com To: william.lamborn@lacity.org Mon, Oct 24, 2016 at 4:27 PM

Dear Representative,

As a nearby resident and someone invested in seeing positive change in our community, I fully support the Frank Gehry-designed plans for 8150 Sunset. On top of the incredible vision and design, I think this project is one that has responded to the community's comments and needs in a number of ways.

I support the project in general but am particularly excited about the following features:

SITE IMPROVEMENT:

The plans for 8150 Sunset represent a tremendous upgrade for the property In the place of a mini-mall, drive-through fast-food restaurant, and a bank will be a mixed-use development with street-level retail and a mix of much needed housing on the floors above. It adds new units, including on-site affordable housing, to the housing stock without taking any away. And it all comes in a spectacular design by Frank Gehry, the world's pre-eminent architect.

GREEN DEVELOPMENT:

By certifying 8150 Sunset as an Environmental Leadership Development Project, Gov Brown has ensured that we will be getting the greenest possible project. The criteria for ELDP status are stringent and guarantee that this project will have no net new greenhouse gas emissions and be built to LEED Silver standards at a minimum. Sustainable development is the responsible way to plan for our future. The 8150 Sunset project will be the epitome of a green project, creating a lower carbon footprint than what is on the property today and less than most new developments.

Overall, the 8150 Sunset project has dramatically improved since first being introduced. From the architectural design to the program proposed for the mixed-use development, its elements have been thoughtfully revised in response to community input. The results will dramatically improve the area while comfortably fitting into its surroundings.

The design by Pritzker Prize-winning architect Frank Gehry, which greatly reduces the massing and scale of the project from its original iteration, is truly iconic architecture worthy of this vital gateway site.

The size of the project's commercial component, which is the highest traffic-generating element of the project, has been reduced.

And the amount of parking proposed has been increased, bringing the number of total spaces to more than what is required by code.

These revisions are victories for the neighborhood and reflective of how this developer has been so responsive.

Altogether, 8150 Sunset is a terrific project that will bring an unmatched level of investment and architecture to this neighborhood, in the process not just boosting this portion of the city but all of LA.

I support this project, and I urge you to support it with me.

The architectural work is the best thing on the planet.

Sincerely,

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