

South Central Farm

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Please see attached letter r.e. The South Central Farm.

Sincerely,

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Serving the People Body and Soul!



Re: Eastside Cafe letter of support for the South Central Farm

1 message

Zina Cheng <zina.cheng@lacity.org>

Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 10:55 AM

To: Angela Flores <angelaluciaf@gmail.com>, Clerk-PLUM-Committee <clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org> Cc: Edwin Grover <edwin.grover@lacity.org>, Sharon Dickinson <sharon.dickinson@lacity.org>

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On Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 10:27 AM, Angela Flores <angelaluciaf@gmail.com> wrote: We are the Eastisde Cafe and we are in support of the South Central Farm

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2 messages

Sarah Nolan <sarah@theabundanttable.org>

Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 8:46 AM To: plum.committee@lacity.org, edwin.grover@lacity.org, zina.cheng@lacity.org, sharon.dickinson@lacity.org

Subject: Re: Council File Number 16-1411-S1 - Please grant the appeal of the South Central Farmers and deny the FEIR for 4051 S. Alameda, the PIMA project - Case No. AA-2012-919-PMLA CEQA No. ENV-2012-920-EIR

Dear Chair Huizar and Members Cedillo, Harris-Dawson, Price and Englander:

In addition to the points below. I oppose the development of the PIMA project or any brick and mortar project on this piece of land that continues to create detrimental environmental impact on the land itself and the community around it.

We live in a current political climate where we need spaces that are community oriented, focused on our own sustainability as a city and not dependent on cheap imports and low wage jobs.

This property has the potential to be something Los Angeles can be proud of and not ashamed that it valued the large corporate interests and a myth of good jobs over investment in a community food system that brings meaningful work, community growth and good food for families.

Please reconsider any development on this land other than development that reflects the original vision the Food Bank had for the property to invite the community together to create something beautiful and good.

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Ivonne Rodriguez - NAI <ivonne.rodriguez.usc@gmail.com> To: edwin.grover@lacity.org, zina.cheng@lacity.org, sharon.dickinson@lacity.org Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 8:16 AM

Dear Chair Huizar and Members Cedillo, Harris-Dawson, Price and Englander:

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Resident, Home-owner, mother, worker and student in CD9

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re: South Central Farm

2 messages

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Laura Palomares

South Central Farm Restoration Committee

Social Justice Consultant * Event Producer & Manager * Anti-Mall Co-Founder & Director "Maybe the purpose of being here, wherever we are, is to increase the durability and occasions of love among and between peoples." ~June Jordan

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Bring Back South Central Farm - Council File Number 16-1411-S1

3 messages

Julia Jave Posin <iulia@spectralg.com>

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Best regards, Julia Posin

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My opposition to FEIR for parcel 4015 S. Alameda

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I oppose the FEIR for the parcel at 4015 S. Alameda, submitted by the PIMA Corporation (Case No. AA-2012- 919-PMLA CEQA No. ENV-2012-920-EIR) because of the following deficiencies:

1. The Final EIR does not address the lack of data for the applicant's claim that their operation would result in only 75 proposed truck trips per day, most of them being small and medium trucks, with only 31 being diesel (down from 264 truck trips proposed by the previous project, despite a larger operational footprint with the new plans). There are no studies nor statistics to back up this new lower, arbitrarily estimated, and unenforceable number. The applicant states that the current number of truck trips for their operation is 33, but, again, there are no verifiable data to support this.

(See Dr. Tom Williams' report, sent to your committee on 2-16-2017.)

2. The final EIR increases the Project's number of truck docks from 22 to 30. When these docks are utilized at maximum capacity production ("worst case scenario"), they would result in far more than 75 truck trips per day. Additionally, the FEIR states that most of the 75 trucks would be small and medium trucks, yet 18 of the 30 loading docks are designed to accommodate long, multiple axle trucks, which must be assumed to be diesel trucks. This increase in number of the loading docks, including large docks, will most likely increase the Project's estimated truck traffic, including an increase in diesel trucks as well as small and medium trucks. These potential and likely increases are not reflected in the traffic impact analysis or health risk analysis, thus understating the Project's impacts.

(See Dr. Tom Williams' report, sent to your committee on 2-16-2017.)

3. Because of the inadequate truck trip analysis and unenforceable projections and an understatement of impacts related to the number of employees, truck and delivery traffic and air emissions, the actual impacts on air quality cannot be truly known. The health risk assessment vastly understates the Project's health impacts with regard to diesel particulate matter generation and must be revised. A new air quality analysis must be done, based on a more accurate truck trip analysis.

(See Dr. Tom Williams' report, sent to your committee on 2-16-17.)

4. The Final EIR did not consider the submitted alternative to create a community food hub, proposed by the South Central Farmers. This alternative addresses the community's needs for green space, "project objectives" of local job creation, and access points for local, healthy, fresh produce to enter South Central LA and the larger LA community. The City has an opportunity to show civic leadership and political will by facilitating this community based solution in creating green, sustainable jobs that serve both the local community and the region in an area that is historically underserved in open space per capita.

5. The Final EIR does not follow the City of LA's policies, as outlined in its "Open Space and Conservation Element". For example, policy 6.1.1 states, "Consider appropriate methodologies to protect significant remaining open spaces," Policy 6.1.6 states, "Consider preservation of private land open space to the maximum extent feasible. In areas where open space values determine the character of the community, development should occur with special consideration of these characteristics." A methodology to protect the parcel in question could be to use Quimby funds to acquire it, or negotiate with a land trust entity. As an undeveloped 13 acre parcel, it is a significant remaining open space. The character of the community was undeniably expressed when the South Central Farm operated between 1992 and 2006 and should be re-established, per this policy.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Dear Chair Huizar and members of the PLUM Committee,

I will focus on some notable discrepancies in the environmental documentation in regards to the PIMA project which hopefully convinces you that they are trying to do a "bait-and-switch" by promising greatly reduced amount of trucks, but then using significantly more trucks than they claim in recent EIR-related documents.

If 1000 employees were to work on site, then they would need to have a more thorough analysis on the development of these proposed warehouses. Instead, just 998 people are scheduled to work at the facilities!

If there were to be any residences on the old South Central Farm site, then there would need to be some toxic cleanup activities before the homes could be built. But workers are considered fairly expendable, so the proponent chose to not even cleanup the area identified with elevated arsenic since it was said to be within regulations for a workplace.

Speaking of toxics, the South Central Farm site is within the mile and a half radius of the Exide battery site in Vernon. Yet, Boyle Heights is receiving the attention (as well it should, but not exclusively) in regards to cleanup of toxic soil in yards, but the Alameda / Central neighborhood and the old South Central Farm site are last on the totem pole and receive little attention except for projects promoting more toxic air emissions.

There is a lot of **fishy activity** in regards to **large projects being developed within the general vicinity**, as well as suspicious activity in regards to using some measurements of air pollutants north of Chinatown and act like that accounts for the serious air pollutants in the Alameda Corridor area – which is also toward the northern end of the main route for exhaust from planes flying into LAX. In regards to major construction in the general region, the early phases of the PIMA evaluation was well before the huge amount of construction activity from about Wilshire Blvd. to the 10 Freeway in downtown Los Angeles got to a furious pace – as well as in the USC area. And now luxury towers are scheduled south of the 10, so the amount of diesel trucks and black carbon emitted during construction (and emissions due to transport to and from construction) will be much higher than anticipated for the vicinity than when PIMA was proposed.

Before any determination in this matter – unless it is rejection, one must **definitively determine how many trucks these 4 companies currently use.** The initial garment warehouse proposal from Forever 21 would have had 2580 truck trips a day. They are computing a truck arriving, being loaded up, and departing as two trips, so it would be 1290 trucks per day. **Yet, as the months and years proceed, the environmental documentation for the PIMA project keeps predicting smaller and smaller numbers of trucks.** (It should also be pointed out that the garment warehouse that was to host 1290 different trucks a day was going to be on about 11 of the 13 plus acres, whereas the PIMA project is planning on building on the entire 13-14 acres.) The proponent has also been vague regarding my question about whether trucks with large sleeper cabs with 53 foot trailer attached will be a major kind of truck used at the project. The response was essentially that there will only be a small amount of those, but they will be able to be accommodated as far as docks and turning radius, etc. **Well if the trucks are not getting larger, yet there are far fewer trucks** (while garment manufacture is likely not moving into a new facility in order to produce fewer clothes), **then I contend that something is askew in the mathematics wielded by the PIMA companies.**

The traffic analysis is quite weak and not accounting for this era of lower gas costs and rampant construction, while the toxic air emission analysis for the Alameda Corridor area is entirely missing and also not accounting for the air pollution and health impacts of the aforementioned. Thus, the **inadequately analyzed PIMA plan should be rejected and a community farm restored on that site.**

Thank you for your consideration,

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