

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: As a neighbor who lives walking distance to Tom Bergins on Fairfax, I find it appalling that neighbors and visitors would want to take away private property to be designated and given 'historic status.' Just because a proprietor provided a venue for a popular bar/restaurant goes not give those who made it popular and famous the right to take it away from its rightful owners, especially when the owners do not see it in the same light. It just isn't right and I've sat at the bar many times with friends and enjoyed drinks and ambiance. Leave the building to its rightful owners, not the public! 40 years in this Miracle Mile neighborhood.

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Comments for Public Posting: To Whom it May Concern, As a neighbor virtually directly across Fairfax. I see Tom Bergin's from my front lawn. I was a customer. Not a great one, I clearly didn't spend enough money there to keep the place in business. But, I was not alone in my lack of spending. The City has so many big issues to tackle. If the city is interested in this small pocket of a neighborhood, how about a traffic study at the corner of Fairfax / Olympic / San Vicente where traffic is ensnarled for most of the day because the timing of the lights is all wrong. But, instead we focus on how to make a business that is closed a historical landmark. Did we Landmark the show Cheers? It was a story about a bar. Here today we discuss a different bar. The city of Los Angeles can't force a business to continue to operate. You can't give Landmark Status to Tom Bergin's because it's quaint space was nice or because they used to have the best burger in LA, or because I liked the way they poured my whiskey. The 13th amendment of the US Constitution bars slavery. Landmarking a business seems tantamount to slavery. But, even if you could, why would you? The business failed under the regimes of the last two owners and was sold before that, likely because it was failing. I don't want the property torn down, I love looking at it as I pull into my driveway. I also don't want the property to turn into another derelict property because this committee can't understand the implications of your own actions. You can't Landmark a business! This just doesn't make any sense. Jeremy Weinstein