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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(7) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

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Summary: This is in addition to our submittal to CF-0370. The Empowerment Congress North Area Neighborhood Development Council (NANDC) considered the Environmental Impact Report for The Fig Project and found that the proposed demolitions cannot be supported in the context of the goals of the Community Plan and the CRA Hoover Project Area goals. NANDC strongly objects to the demolition of eight multi-family residences within the Flower Drive Historic District and, by Board motion at its meeting of November 2, 2017, and again on November 1, 2018 urges the developer to consider an alternative that incorporates these buildings into his project design. There is an alternative (the "tower alternative") that allows for all of the development goals and preserves the historic affordable housing. We question why this is not examined in the FEIR. The tower alternative needs to be considered before any statement of overriding considerations can be even considered. The eight buildings, of which seven are contributors to the Flower Drive Historic District and the eighth is a 1939 building compatible in massing, scale and materials to the District, offer affordable, rent stabilized housing which is severely needed. The demonstrable negative impacts on both housing resources and on the Flower Drive Historic District are not sufficiently analyzed nor are they adequately mitigated. The cumulative impacts on housing and on historic resources are also not adequately recognized nor evaluated. The DEIR consistently states that these negative impacts are unavoidable which is simply not true. Please consider a "tower alternative" that saves the RSO housing and support the VTT appeals of the tract map granting by SAJE and WAHA.