

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 06/06/2019 05:04 PM

**Council File No:** 19-0428

**Comments for Public Posting:** As a five year tenant of the residential loft at 2209 North Broadway I am strongly opposed to a full liquor license being granted 2205 North Broadway, for concerns of safety, noise, and the health of the residents of my building. 2205 shares a wall with 2207 and 2209. The former occupants of 2205, the Broadway Social Center pool hall, were barely tolerable neighbors. While the hall was rarely busy and did often close by midnight, it would host large viewing parties for international soccer that involved mariachi bands and brass instruments that'd occur at unpredictable times due to time zone issues. These bands would also play outside, which is very loud due to the location of my unit's sole windows on North Broadway. It was challenging, to say the least, to deal with this knowing I had to be up for work a few hours later. Multiple instances of drunk, disorderly, aggressive behavior occurred when the location was a sparsely-attended pool hall, so one can only predict these would increase with hard alcohol thrown into the mix. More than once I had to rouse a passed out person from my entryway to open the door to the building. Drunken loud conversations, people vomiting under my window at night, and the occasional sound of glass breaking were already a problem, as was the hazard of bar patrons smoking cigarettes directly below my only windows, and reacting rudely or aggressively when asked to refrain from doing so. Adding to the safety issue, there are already multiple liquor licenses in the immediate neighborhood, with multiple bars on the blocks on either side of Broadway (of varying levels of seediness, including what appears to be occasional prostitution) and a liquor store on Pasadena a block away. Lincoln Heights' crime stats are currently worse than Boyle Heights, Cypress Park and Highland Park, and with the planned construction of low-income housing on 5 parking lots the area is only going to become more of a hotbed as the neighborhood feels the crunch from the influx of people in addition to the stresses of its current gentrification. We don't need to add more liquor to the mix.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Chloe Parent

**Date Submitted:** 06/06/2019 12:12 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hello, As a 10 years resident of Lincoln Heights and manager of two buildings in this neighborhood (including the one that sits next to this old Social Club), I am stressed by the news that a new liquor store would open at 2205 N. Broadway. This is unacceptable. This is truly the last thing we need. There are already bars and liquors stores in the neighborhood, it's saturated. Given the fact that Lincoln Heights is not considered a safe neighborhood, adding another liquor store will create more insecurity. We instead need spaces for kids and teens, for women, a cultural center, a space that lifts the neighborhood, makes it more friendly, safe and positive for Lincoln Heights residents. And certainly NOT another liquor store. Moreover, this old Social Club is part of Lincoln Heights heritage, it deserves better than to be turned into a liquor store. I am the mother of a 16 years old, and I want him to be able to go anywhere in Lincoln Heights and feel safe. As residents, we are trying to make this neighborhood we love better, safer and more beautiful. We care. I don't know how adding another liquor store is going to help us achieve this! I strongly oppose this project and I hope the city will listen to the interest of the Lincoln Heights residents. Thank you for considering my comment and request, Best regards, Chloe Parent

## Communication from Public

**Name:** joseph Giovannini

**Date Submitted:** 06/06/2019 08:52 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Councilmen and Councilwomen, As an owner of residential property immediately adjacent to 2205 N. Broadway (I own 2207, 2209, 2211 N. Broadway, a residential loft building), I vehemently object to the issuance of a liquor license. The immediate vicinity is already saturated with liquor licenses, with an undue concentration of licenses that already destabilizes the neighborhood: there are two active licenses in the block immediately west of my block, and another two in the block immediately east (including a restaurant, and a bar that is a well-known and dangerous drug scene). There is also a liquor store on Pasadena Avenue a block away. Lincoln Heights already has a very high crime rate, according to the LA Times, that's higher than that in Boyle Heights, Highland Park, Montecito Heights, Elysian Park, El Sereno, Mt. Washington and Cypress Park. According to the internet, Lincoln Heights is safer than only 3% of California cities. Another liquor license would put my 6 residential units and the immediate neighborhood in the center of one of the most dangerous spots in Los Angeles and California. We should be trying to eliminate licenses where possible, not adding to the crime rate. This location, 2205 N. Broadway, did have a beer license for many decades, and it attracted a clientele that attracted prostitutes and other people undesirable. My family has owned this property since 1937, and I have worked very hard over the last 20 years to upgrade the property so that it contributes positively to the neighborhood and to Lincoln Heights with a group of professionals and artists that is helping to stabilize and diversify the area. A liquor license will weaken rather than strengthen the neighborhood, and reverse the accomplishments my family and others have been striving for.

FROM INTERNET

SOURCE FOR CRIME RATES BELOW: LINK:

[https://www.google.com/search?source=hp&ei=mCH5XlitJoOp5wK5kaKgCw&q=LINCOLN+HEIGHTS+CRIME+RATE+LOS+ANGELES+&oq=LINCOLN+HEIGHTS+CRIME+RATE+LOS+ANGELES+&gs\\_l=psy-ab.12..0i22i30.2342.11833..12042...0.0..0.173.3373.34j5.....0....1..gws-wiz.....0..0i131j0.gq](https://www.google.com/search?source=hp&ei=mCH5XlitJoOp5wK5kaKgCw&q=LINCOLN+HEIGHTS+CRIME+RATE+LOS+ANGELES+&oq=LINCOLN+HEIGHTS+CRIME+RATE+LOS+ANGELES+&gs_l=psy-ab.12..0i22i30.2342.11833..12042...0.0..0.173.3373.34j5.....0....1..gws-wiz.....0..0i131j0.gq)

## Lincoln Heights Los Angeles crime rate

### Did you know?

- The overall **crime rate** in **Lincoln Heights** is 286% higher than the national average.
- For every 100,000 people, there are 29.06 daily **crimes** that occur in **Lincoln Heights**.
- **Lincoln Heights** is safer than 3% of the cities in the California.

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FROM LOS ANGELES TIMES, BELOW:

<http://maps.latimes.com/neighborhoods/neighborhood/lincoln-heights/crime/>

Latest complete week MAY 21–MAY 27

**2** VIOLENT  
CRIMES

**10** PROPERTY  
CRIMES

**4.0** CRIMES  
PER 10,000  
PEOPLE

- In the seven days between May 21 and May 27, both violent and property crime reports were about average.
- Over the last three months, Lincoln Heights averaged 4.0 violent crimes and 11.2 property crimes per week.
- This week's rate of 4.0 crimes per 10,000 people is higher than in nearby **Highland Park**, **Boyle Heights**, **Elysian Valley**, **Montecito Heights**, **Elysian Park**, **El Sereno**, **Mount Washington** and **Cypress Park** and lower than **Chinatown** and **Downtown**.
- A 2008 population estimate of 29,637 from the [L.A. Department of City Planning](#) is used to calculate per-capita totals.

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