

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing with concern about the proposed hotel/housing project at 639 S. La Brea Ave. The project's environmental review is being rushed ahead of approvals for the actual project, denying our community the ability to ensure the project will really be sustainable and mitigate its effects on traffic, energy, climate change, and water use. Additionally, the project misuses the TOC program that was intended to create more housing, including more affordable housing. This is self-evident by other TOC projects in the City, which either propose housing exclusively, or contain only a small portion of retail use (e.g., minor local-serving retail on the ground floor). Here, however, the project includes an 8-story, 125-room luxury hotel on land adjacent to the future Metro stop, which would be better used to provide housing—as intended under the clear purpose of the City's TOC program. I urge that the PLUM Committee to halt approvals of any environmental review until the City has reviewed the underlying project and ensure our affordable housing programs create actual housing, not luxury hotels.

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Name: Steven Gauthier
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Comments for Public Posting: PLUM Committee Members, I am completely against the proposed mixed use luxury condo and hotel space at 623-671 South La Brea Avenue. I live at 618 south Detroit street, which sits directly behind 623 s La Brea ave. If this project were to be approved this new high rise building would sit directly in front of more than a half block of already existing residents. The building would not only block all of our views, but any natural light that we currently get. The city of Los Angeles is already unaffordable as is and at the moment my current rent is \$3000 per month, which no one wants to pay that kind of money to stare at the back of another building. This neighborhood doesn't need anymore construction because we are already dealing with the subway being built for the last few years, and with years before it will be completed. Under the guidelines of the Transit Oriented Communities Program luxury hotels and condos don't meet that criteria. This is a money grab from another large corporation and it needs to be blocked. Steven Gauthier Resident 618 S. Detroit St.