



BRENTWOOD Community Council

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LA City Council PLUM Committee
Chairman Ed Reyes
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RE: CF #08-2020

Dear Chairman Reyes,

The Brentwood Community Council ("BCC") represents a population of over 50,000 residents. We have been targeted for many digital billboards on the westside and consider them blight.

The Superior Court ruled in *favor* of Summit Media stating that the billboards should be removed. An appeal by CBS and Clear Channel to The Court of Appeal ruled in Summit's *favor* as well.

These decisions are good for quality of life, but not for loss of money eyed by the City, CBS and Clear Channel. So, rather than sending on an acceptable draft Ordinance to City Council for consideration the day after the Court of Appeal decision, you announced it would be continued until January 22, 2013.

The Ordinance has now been continued to allow lobbyists to find a way to work around it. If a basketball game is over, the ref doesn't go back to correct wrong calls. In this case, *two* courts of law have spoken for the people of Los Angeles and Summit Media. It is time that the City Council should give advantage to the people whom they are *supposed* to serve rather than bend to special interest.

This is not a perfect Ordinance, but was agreed upon to support it by people it *affects*. ...citizens of Los Angeles in community and homeowner groups, neighborhood councils, residents et al. In other words, the people of Los Angeles *want protection from digital billboards and from billboard placement in parks.*

The most admirable player in this whole saga is Summit Media. **Please do not meddle with the decisions Summit has won in the Courts to remove the billboards.**
The BCC asks that you send the intended Ordinance as is to City Council.

We have followed this saga for *years*, testified, traveled to hearings during work hours, tried to be good citizens working within the political process for a cause we believe will be beneficial.

Respectfully,



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