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Item Number: 5

Summary: The WLASNC opposes the Martin Expo Town Center project because of the significant, severe negative traffic impacts that will make our community a more dangerous place to live.

- 1) the traffic impacts are excessive for one project. Martin Expo proposes to significantly impact 16 intersections, growing to 18 by the year 2030.
- 2) though the developer agreed to a reduction in the square footage of the commercial space, the inclusion of Expo parking has left the project with almost the exact same daily trip count—a reduction from 7100 daily trips to 7000 daily trips.
- 3) the developer increased the retail from the original proposal of 67,000 sq. ft. to the now 99,000 sq. ft. We oppose the increase in retail square footage. The developer, aware that the commercial component of the project was unpopular, decreased the commercial but then increased the retail, leaving the community with essentially the same traffic impacts!
- 4) the developer is requesting a permit for live entertainment. The community is resoundingly opposed to the yet further increase in traffic and noise adjacent to an R-01 neighborhood that will result from these live events. We unequivocally oppose a permit for live entertainment.
- 5) the significant traffic impacts from this project will make it more dangerous for the residents to access the Metro. The majority of Angelenos access the Metro on foot. We want safe access to our public transportation, but allowing this project at its current size will only make access more dangerous.
- 6) within under a mile radius of this project, there are over 4 million square feet of office space! We oppose the 150,000 sq ft of office/commercial space and want the commercial/office space in this project reduced to 50,000 sq ft.
- 7) The proposed project is situated at the northwest corner of Bundy and Olympic, the most heavily congested intersection in West Los Angeles. The addition of 7000 car trips to that intersection is more than any one project should impose.