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Don't Rush Environmental Review: 623-671 S. La Brea (CF #19-1533, ZA-2019-1744, VTT-82618, ENV-2019-1736)

1 message

Diana Brown <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
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Thu, Mar 12, 2020 at 10:14 AM

PLUM Committee Members,

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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Comment on Council File: 19-1533 / ZA-2019-1744

1 message

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PLUM Committee Members,

Los Angeles voters have demonstrated time and time again that they want more affordable housing. Please stand with them and stop the CGI Strategies project proposed for [623-671 S. La Brea Ave](#) which misuses the Transit Oriented Communities Program to create a project with more hotel rooms than actual housing. Approving the project in its current form would create a dangerous precedent that would encourage more luxury hotel and commercial development at the expense of the affordable housing we need. Additionally, the City is rushing the environmental review process ahead of approvals for the project itself, denying community members the ability to ensure the mitigations proposed will really make the project sustainable. Please ensure adequate environmental review is done on the project and ensure our affordable housing programs are used to create housing, not more luxury hotels.

Regards,

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Wilshire / La Brea Project Comments ((CF #19-1533, ZA-2019-1744, VTT-82618, ENV-2019-1736))

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PLUM Committee Members,

I write deeply concerned about the luxury hotel and condo project proposed for [639 S. La Brea Ave](#). The Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) program was intended to create housing, especially affordable housing. So too, the Code makes clear that hotel rooms and dwelling units must be tied to its lot area (see LAMC § 12.21.C.1(j)). Here, the project is using the TOC incentives to build more hotel rooms at the expense of housing, double counts lot area already designated for housing, and allocates lot area entirely untethered to the project's site plans. Please stop this misuse of our affordable housing law.

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