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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(16) Nay(0) Abstain(1) Ineligible(1) Recusal(0)

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#### Impact Information

Date: 03/13/2021

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Council File Number: 20-1314

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Summary:



WILSHIRE CENTER  
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NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



March 8, 2021

Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas,  
Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo,  
Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell,  
Councilmember Nithya Raman,  
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Councilmember John S. Lee  
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**Re: Community Impact Statement for Council File: 20-1314 Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Affordable Housing Incentive Program / Guidelines / Land Use Regulatory Control Revisions [20-1314 \(CFMS\) \(lacity.org\)](#)**

Dear Honorable Members of the Planning and Land Use Management Committee,

We, the Wilshire Center-Koreatown Neighborhood Council (WCKNC), support CF 20-1314 if amended to include specific language to expand the TOC program to areas where transit has been proposed but the local community has fought against and where there is at least one mile of continuous bike lanes connected to a consistent bus or train line and have specific measures to address the targeting of "sensitive," densely populated communities of color who have shouldered the brunt of TOC development and new racist "urban infill" practices.

WCKNC has had more TOC developments than any other area of the city and is the most densely populated area on the west coast. We are deeply concerned that this motion does not do enough to identify how "differences in local neighborhood context and unique patterns of development, varying conditions in public infrastructure, local housing market needs and related factors" will be considered. Current urban infill practices, particularly in densely populated communities of color, constitute the same racist classist rhetoric of the past and are no better than redlining, and no different than the urban renewal that forced tens of thousands from their homes. TOC should also not be used to destroy naturally affordable housing and displace residents. Until the city has a clear account of how and who is able to utilize right-of-return policies of SB 330 and a means to protect middle income residents who do not qualify for TOC units or replacement and return to their affordable RSO homes.

**WCKNC supports CF 20-1314** so it is responsive to densely populated, underserved communities of color ensuring there is meaningful engagement to adapt TOC guidelines to respect the residents of these communities and ensure that the resources and infrastructure is able to meet the needs of current and future residents. We also feel that any ordinance should clearly state that the CPC may reject TOC proposals and should consider doing so particularly when underserved communities voice strong opposition.

Sincerely,

/s/ Elizabeth Isralowitz

**Wilshire Center-Koreatown Neighborhood Council**

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