

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a community member of Little Tokyo, who worked in LT and is a part of many social and community activities in the area. I have been deeply involved in the LT community for over 8 years and love to spend time shopping, eating, worshipping, and being with my friends, family and neighbors there. I am affiliated with the Japanese American National Museum and Nikkei Progressives. I am deeply concerned about the proposal for a megamall at the 4th and Central intersection because it will force the Japanese American community out of it's historic home with rising prices. This would not be the first or even second time that Japanese Americans have been forced out of this historic neighborhood. I urge the planning and land use management committee to grant the appeal of the Little Tokyo Community Council and overturn the City Planning Commission's approval of vesting tentative tract map no. 82974-CN-HCA, and deny all other related entitlements and approvals. Our community urges, as it has continued to urge the developer since March 2022, that the planning and land use management committee require that the Project is developed consistent with DTLA 2040 and with meaningful community engagement, reflecting the true needs of the community members who will be most impacted by the Project.