

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Marie Kennedy

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**Council File No:** 15-0989-S47

**Comments for Public Posting:** The 2028 Olympics were forced on LA back in 2017 — an unprecedented 11 years before the Olympics. The idea that we have now allegedly run out of time to go through standard approval processes for Olympics projects is only a reflection of the LA28 organizers' incompetence. Angelenos shouldn't have to pay the price for this incompetence with hastily designed projects with unvetted environmental and social impacts. LA's Olympics organizers promised a "no-build" Olympics. The idea that city officials are now turning around and saying that not only do we need to build, but that we need to exempt these building projects from our primary oversight mechanisms is a shameful bait-and-switch. The motion lists temporary and permanent venues, training facilities, media centers, and transit infrastructure as possible examples of the type of building projects that should be exempt. These projects are significant construction projects that may have long-term impacts on their neighborhoods and the city. It is unacceptable to exempt them from regular planning processes. This is just another of Park's attempt to override the two City Council votes and the Coastal Commission's approval of the Venice Dell Community on the Venice Blvd parking lot.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Paul Gilbert

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The Olympics are not essential. There needs to be an approval process for Olympics-related development as Los Angeles has many other funding priorities We were promised a no-build Olympics. LA does not need the Olympics, the Olympics need LA. We should not give a blank check to Olympics development.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Christopher Flacke

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**Comments for Public Posting:** As a resident and voter in the City of Los Angeles, I could not be more OPPOSED to Councilmember Park's proposal to exempt building projects associated with the planned 2028 Olympics from customary environmental and other planning procedures. The measure is poorly drafted, mentioning a wide and ill-defined range of construction for which public and administrative review would be largely waived. This is not enlightened government: this is capitulation to a pro-development lobby, vaguely defined and rife with potential for abuse. Nor should the Department of Building and Safety be directed to treat Olympics matters as a priority PARTICULARLY at this time when thousands of our fellow citizens are unhoused after fires, and otherwise. They should be our City's focus. I urge all Members to reject this ill-conceived and unnecessary idea decisively.