

Good Afternoon,

As a resident of Wilshire Vista for 12 years, I emphatically support an ICO for this neighborhood of homes built in the 1930's. The character, style and scale of our homes to their respective property/lots has design & craftsmanship that makes our community very desirable. And now, VERY valuable and thus vulnerable to for-profit-only developers. To allow the destruction of these unique homes to be replaced by oversized, brute, block-prison square monoliths would obliterate not only rapidly disappearing historical Los Angeles architecture but a vital pride and rare connective community spirit here in Wilshire Vista. Please establish the ICO for Wilshire Vista and keep our community's stylistic character & cohesive conviviality.

Thank You,
Meg McComb
Vice-President, Wilshire Vista Neighborhood Assoc.

To Whom it May Concern,

We are Bill and Kristi Bradbury, homeowners for 20 years on S. Spaulding Avenue in the heart of Wilshire Vista. We have raised our five children in this neighborhood. What originally attracted us to this neighborhood is the location, and the charming homes, mostly built in the 1920s and kept up in their original Tudor and Spanish Bungalow styles.

We cannot attend the PLUM meeting due to work constraints, but I urge you to please vote YES for the Wilshire Vista ICO. The oversized Mc Mansions that are being built throughout our neighborhoods do nothing but destroy the integrity and historic beauty we love about Wilshire Vista. We would hope that you can see the importance of keeping remodeled homes to scale with what is throughout our beloved neighborhood. Again, please vote YES for Wilshire Vista's ICO.

Thank you,
Bill and Kristi Bradbury

To who it may concern:

My name is Rick Phillippe, I am an architect and an eleven year resident of The Wilshire Vista Neighborhood. I originally bought in this neighborhood specifically because of its character and its architectural integrity. I find it dismaying that it will so easily and regretfully be destroyed through an invasion of out of scale, badly designed mega-boxes. We as citizens, residents and council members need to protect the integrity of our city for future generations...we need to protect our wonderful neighborhood from outside developers with no interest in the history, charm or architecture. I highly, highly support the ICO.

Rick Phillippe

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To Whom it May Concern,

Although I am unable to attend the PLUM meeting this Tuesday, I want to communicate my support for an ICO for Wilshire Vista. Mansionization threatens all of the reasons why I recently purchased a home in this neighborhood. Wilshire Vista's delightful architecture, charm and relative affordability make it an attractive haven for homeowners seeking community. It is difficult to find such a neighborhood in Los Angeles in such a superb location. It would be an incredible loss if the mansionization trend were allowed to continue here. Please establish an ICO for this wonderful neighborhood. I believe the future of Los Angeles depends on it.

Thank you,
Kristine Eller

We're sorry we're unable to attend the PLUM meeting on Tuesday, but we wanted to express our support for Councilman Wesson's motion. We moved to Wilshire Vista about a year ago, after living in the Beverly Grove area for 15 years, and having seen the effect of the initial wave of mansionization on the physical character of the neighborhoods in the area. We were attracted to Wilshire Vista by the charm of the 1920s architecture, the abundance of trees, and the cultural and economic diversity of the neighborhood. Although we, like most Angelenos, are transplants to the area, having a connection to the city's history and culture through our home is one of the main things that makes us feel at home here. In more practical terms, the value of our property and our ability to enjoy its use would be very severely diminished if any of our neighbors' houses were to be knocked down and replaced by an outsized, alien structure that blocked our light, allowed its occupants to peer down through our windows and into our back yard, and whose building required cutting down more of our neighborhood's trees. We strongly support the passage of an ICO for Wilshire Vista to protect our neighborhood until the Los Angeles BMO can be properly updated.

-- Roumyana Pancheva and Tom Buscher