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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(17) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 07/14/2021

Type of NC Board Action: For

Impact Information

Date: 07/06/2021

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 21-0124

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: On June 14, 2021, the Wilshire Center-Koreatown Neighborhood Council (WCKNC) at their General Board meeting, voted unanimously as per Agenda Item Number IX.E to support the appeal filed by Margarita Lopez on behalf of the Coalition For An Equitable Westlake/MacArthur Park, opposing Categorical Exemption from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Article 19, Section 15332 (Class 32 Urban In-Fill Development) of the CEQA Guidelines, and related CEQA findings for the properties located at 944-952 1/2 South Dewey Avenue.



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NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL



Wilshire Center-Koreatown Neighborhood Council
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To Planning and Land Use Management (PLUM) Committee and City Council Members:

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson, Chair
Councilmember Mark Ridley-Thomas,
Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo,
Councilmember Bob Blumenfield,
Councilmember John Lee,
Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell,
Councilmember Nithya Raman,

Re: Community Impact Statement Supporting Appeal to CF # 21-0124

Dear Honorable members of the City Council and PLUM Committee,

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The Project calls for 'a proposed Transit Oriented Communities (TOC) Affordable Housing project consisting of the demolition of two existing single-story and one two-story multifamily residential structures, one detached garage, and five non-protected trees, and the construction, use, maintenance of a five-story, multifamily residential building containing 51 dwelling units, including six units restricted to Extremely Low Income Households for a period of 55 years,' if the Director of Planning's Categorical Exemption determination is granted as per No. ENV-2020-5591-CE.

While this project does include affordable housing units, it represents a net loss and the affordable housing on the site because of this the WCKNC did not support the project as presented. Koreatown cannot afford the loss of any naturally occurring affordable

housing nor displaying current residents. WCKNC also asked that the project meet the city's updated green building standards.

Furthermore, members of the public and representatives of this NC were unable to comment on the item at the June 1st, 2021 City Council PLUM meeting when this item was heard, due to improper handling of public comment and in spite of attempts to contact the City Clerk and representatives of CD-10 during the meeting. The appellant was also improperly muted during their allotted time to speak. As such, in order to cure and correct these clear Brown Act violations, we request that the previous vote be rendered null and void and the matter be re-heard before the PLUM Committee.

Sincerely,

/s/ Katelyn Scanlan

Chair, Planning and Land Use Management Committee

Wilshire Center-Koreatown Neighborhood Council

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