

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Hello, My name is Christyl Cobb, member of the California Chapter of the American Descendants of Slavery Advocacy Foundation. I am here in support of agenda items 2, 3, and 4. Regarding Item #4, I urge this committee to adopt the Exhibit D option in the City Planning Department's report, to upzone R1 neighborhoods. Per the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), the 2021-2029 Housing Element found that current zoning regulations in Los Angeles would result in insufficient housing production to meet state mandated Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) goals. Currently, Los Angeles council district eight has seen a sharp decline in commercial space, and a sharp incline in permanent supportive housing developments. Currently there are four within a 2 mile radius, and in close proximity to elementary schools, senior homes, and liquor stores. Without the upzoning of single family residential zones, Los Angeles citizens, especially ADOS and Black American families will bear the brunt of the negative impacts of the density and tourism gentrification that has already began pricing us out of our neighborhoods that have long been in decline due to the immense lack of economic disinvestment. ADOS individuals and families endure more ethnic discrimination than any other group when seeking housing and homelessness services. I urge this committee to vote yes on items 2, 3, and 4. Without the upzoning of R1 neighborhoods, stronger anti-displacement measures, and rent protections our homelessness crisis will increase. Sincerely, Christyl Cobb
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