

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Gerald McRaney

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**Council File No:** 22-0454

**Comments for Public Posting:** Save Pacific Dining Car. Since I moved to Los Angeles in 1971, I have watched as, one by one, landmarks that made Los Angeles a unique and charming city have disappeared. I have had dinners at Pacific Dining Car to celebrate anniversaries, birthdays, and just after theatre get togethers. If we don't preserve some of these places, then L.A. will just become one more urban sprawl instead of the unique and charming city it was meant to be. Please, grant PDC historic landmark designation.

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**Name:** Douglas Wance  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am Douglas Wance and I am the applicant for the historical designation of the Pacific Dining Car. I have been advocating for over a year for the entire property to be covered by the historical designation. I was dismayed that when the PLUM committee heard this item last week that I had to beg to be heard on an item to which I am the applicant. I was begrudgingly given 45 seconds to respond to numerous public speakers including the owner of the property who requested a limited historical designation because she pledged to have affordable housing on the property where the Pacific Dining Car resides. I am all for affordable housing and I would support the placement of affordable housing on the property. But I am worried that this is another case of a person making promises to get a limited historical designation and then they don't follow through. Therefore, I would urge the Council or Councilwoman Hernandez to hold the owner to their promise by making the owner put a deed restriction on the property to allow only affordable housing development for their requested limited historical designation. Finally, I would like to note for your records that I was not given my proper time to speak in the PLUM committee hearing on my application, which is usually 3 minutes, and that many members of the public who came to give public comment were denied their time to speak because public comment was limited to 70 minutes that day. These are serious brown act violations which have occurred frequently with the PLUM committee over the last couple years and that I do reserve my right to challenge the PLUM committee's approval and recommendation to the council given the egregious nature of the violation of my and others right to be heard at public hearings before the City of Los Angeles.