

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: RE: Councilmember De Leon's amendment Back in 2018, City Planning introduced a new DTLA 2040 zoning concept for the Skid Row neighborhood --- the Affordable Housing Only Zone. This was later given the technical name IX1 When City Planning presented DTLA 2040 to the Planning Commissioners in September 2021, opponents of the IX1 tried to drop a bomb on it by proposing it be completely eliminated. However, none of the Commissioners voted to end it. Three Commissioners voted to retain it and expand it to the modern traditional boundaries of Skid Row. Six Commissioners voted to retain it using the boundaries proposed by City Planning. Once dropping a bomb didn't work, the goal became for the IX1 to die the death of a thousand paper cuts. Los Angeles is in an Affordable Housing crisis. There is a desperate need for innovation. The IX1 has the potential to be an important part of that innovation as a model for the rest of the City. One of the major pieces of misinformation all these years is around the meaning of DTLA 2040. DTLA 2040 does not mean an updated Community Plan will not be changed until the year 2040. It means what will Downtown look like by the year 2040. If the IX1 doesn't end up working, then X number of years from now City Planning could facilitate a focused effort to update the Community Plan to change it.