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Emma Howard Council Districts 1 & 14 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

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## **Communication from Public**

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Comments for Public Posting: Letter attached



March 27, 2023

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson Chair, Planning and Land Use Management Committee 200 N. Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Council File 22-0617, DTLA 2040 Community Plan

Dear Councilmember Harris-Dawson,

CCA is committed to DTLA's vibrancy and increasing opportunity in the region. Our advocacy regarding DTLA 2040 is centered around creating housing at all income levels. DTLA 2040 seeks to accommodate 100,000 new housing units which represents 20% of the city's overall housing growth by 2040. This is an enormous goal to meet but it can be done by adopting the plan with a few modifications. We are largely in support of the plan as adopted by the City Planning Commission and support many of the recommendations within Exhibit F.6: Director of Planning's Memo to the PLUM Committee as reflected in the attached table which is more expansive. We commend City Planning for the extensive work they have done on DTLA 2040 and write this letter to elevate our recommendations.

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The City Planning Department recommends Graduated Inclusionary Zoning for DTLA 2040. This approach combines a requirement for affordable housing with the Community Benefits Program. To make sure housing developments are economically viable under this model, we ask that you clarify that new residential projects in DTLA 2040 should be exempt from the Affordable Housing Linkage Fee. This is consistent with City Planning's recommendations, and we encourage your support.

We also encourage you to adopt the same inclusionary zoning requirement across the plan area instead of varying requirements by neighborhood. This will aid plan implementation and increase housing development feasibility.

#### **Adaptive Reuse**

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Additionally, DTLA 2040 allows for adaptive reuse of buildings 25 years or older based on a rolling date. We ask that adaptive reuse be expanded to buildings that are 10 years or older based on a rolling date.

#### **Site Plan Review**

As the City has undertaken this major initiative to update DTLA's zoning code so there is a clear framework for sustainable growth, we ask that you remove Site Plan Review (SPR) which runs counter to this goal. As Mayor Bass has recognized with Executive Directive No. 1 that removes SPR for affordable housing, SPR is a barrier to dense housing. We should eliminate SPR in DTLA as the most walkable and transit-rich neighborhood of the city. SPR can cause discretionary review for zoning compliant projects, and we should eliminate this to support housing production.



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#### **Fashion District**

The Fashion District is an important area of DTLA that should allow new residential uses while preserving uses such as garment manufacturing – City Planning's recommendation strikes that balance. HR&A provided a study on this issue and City Planning is recommending their findings. Importantly, the study and City Planning both agree that many issues related to the Fashion District being raised by garment workers are outside of zoning considerations. Additionally, we believe there should be amendment that allows for non-ductile concrete buildings to convert for earthquake safety purposes. We request that you adopt City Planning's recommendations and add conversion exemption for non-ductile concrete buildings.

We also believe it would promote housing to ask City Planning to include an approach that allows for conversion of existing buildings if they are vacant or severely underutilized for at least 2 years. The burden of proof of vacancy/severe underutilization would be on the property owners and rely on government issued information like LADWP bills/usage.

We also request that you ask the Economic Workforce and Development Department (EWDD) to report back on targeted strategies outside of the Community Plan that can support garment workers and the industry's equitable growth. The Fashion District is a unique and dynamic area in DTLA that can support many uses.

#### Form Districts in Chinatown & Little Tokyo

We agree with City Planning recommendations to increase FARs in form districts MN1 and DM2 and to remove height maximums for district DM5. We believe higher FARs in areas near transit will allow more housing. We also encourage the removal of height maximums throughout the plan area. Height maximums are often out of step with parcel zoning and could cause unnecessary discretionary entitlements.

#### **Chinatown Unit Requirements**

As proposed, projects that use the Community Benefits Program in Chinatown must have at least 30% of their units as 2 bedrooms or larger. The planning code should not have such rigid requirements for unit sizes that can be a barrier to creating a diversity of new housing. Notably, it would negatively impact 100% affordable housing which tend to have smaller units to be as cost- and space-efficient as possible, jeopardizing their feasibility. We recommend that this requirement be removed for all projects, especially considering their impact on 100% affordable housing developments.



#### **Arts District**

DTLA 2040 contains many strict development standards for new housing in the Arts District, such as only allowing Live/Work units, but these requirements must also be balanced to promote new housing construction. The currently proposed zoning for the area is overly prescriptive and would create unnecessary barriers to housing development. We recommend removing the average Live/Work unit size requirement of 1,000 SF, allowing Live/Work units to count toward required "productive floor area," and not imposing the 10-story height minimum presented in the Director's report.

We also support reducing the LA River set back from 20 feet to 10 feet as recommended in the Director's report.

#### **Skid Row**

DTLA 2040 includes an "IX1" zone for the area of Skid Row between 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, Central, and San Pedro that would continue to allow social services, light industrial and commercial uses, but it would also allow for new housing by right only for projects with 100% of units restricted for affordable housing. Advancing this zoning would only freeze the current conditions, reinforce and formalize the City's failed policy of containment and further concentrate poverty in this area of DTLA. Prohibiting mixed-income growth and separating this area from the rest of DTLA runs counter to stated DTLA 2040 plan goals of inclusive and diverse neighborhoods.

DLTA 2040 cannot alone address the challenges of this area. Truly meeting the needs of this area requires a much broader effort that involves mental health, workforce development and social services, which will take coordination from multiple departments and organizations. We are hopeful this can be achieved by the County-led Skid Row Action Plan. We ask that you request a report from LA County on the status of the Skid Row Action Plan and coordinate efforts.

We also ask that you request legal analysis from the City Attorney on the impact of prohibiting mixed-income housing in this area and its alignment with requirements to affirmatively further fair housing. Our letter to the City Attorney regarding this issue is included as an attachment. Finally, we ask that you consider directing City Planning to revise IX1 to allow for mixed-income housing in alignment with an approach that seeks to provide housing across income levels throughout all of DTLA.

Thank you for your consideration of DTLA 2040. We are excited to see this important plan move forward for our city's future.

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cc: Honorable Members of the PLUM Committee Councilmember Kevin de León, District 14 Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez, District 1

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Attachment 2: CCA Letter to City Attorney Feldstein-Soto



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	mile of a rail station.	designed and do not count toward FAR.	remove it from FAR calculations.
NBP/RBP	Enact RBP in Chinatown and Little	Enact NBP/RBP in areas of DTLA 2040	Direct City Planning to adopt NBP/RBP in the area of
Integration	Tokyo, and NBP along 7 <sup>th</sup> Street,	where there has been demonstrated	DTLA 2040 that is represented by the Downtown Los
	Convention Center area and	community support.	Angeles Neighborhood Council (outside of IX1 zone).
	Broadway.		
		DLANC supports RBP in its area (outside of	
	Prohibit in Figueroa Terrace and Skid	the IX1 zone in Skid Row) and that should	
	Row.	be supported.	
Fashion District	Enhance IX3 zone to prohibit	Agree with City Planning recommendations,	Adopt City Planning's recommendations and direct City
	conversion of nonresidential	however, consider conversion exemption	Planning to add conversion exemption for non-ductile
	buildings to residential uses, reduce	for non-ductile concrete buildings and ask	concrete buildings.
	the required amount of productive	other City departments to provide non-	
	space from 1:1 FAR to 0.5:1 FAR and	zoning strategies to support garment	Ask City Planning to include an approach that allows
	prohibit office space from counting	workers.	for conversion for existing buildings if they are vacant
	toward productive space FAR.		or severely underutilized for at least 2-years. The
			burden of proof would be on the property owners and
	Enhance IX2 to require additional		rely on government issue information like LADWP
	findings to permit Live/Work units.		bills/usage.
	Enhance CPIO to promote light		Ask EWDD to report back on targeted non-zoning
	manufacturing uses thru FAR		strategies that can support garment workers and the
	increase.		industry's equitable growth.
Form Districts	Increase base FAR from 2:1 to 3:1 in	Agree with City Planning recommendations.	Direct City Planning to increase base FAR to 6:1 and
in Chinatown &	form districts MN1 and DM2.	Higher FARs in areas near transit will allow	bonus 9.3:1 in form districts MN1 and DM2.
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	district DM5.	Agree with removal of height maximum.	throughout DTLA 2040 plan area.



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Bedroom Unit	Benefits Program in Chinatown must	rigid requirements for unit sizes, which are	Community Plan Implementation Overlay regarding
Requirement	have at least 30% of their units as 2	inflexible and unresponsive to changing	"Dwelling Unit Mix and Location" that states "For sites
	bedrooms or larger. This also applies	market demands. This kind of requirement	located in Subarea A.3, a minimum of 30% of the total
	to 100% affordable housing projects.	can be a barrier to creating a diversity of	dwelling units for an eligible Housing Development
		new housing. This requirement also creates	shall be two bedrooms or greater."
		an unnecessary discretionary entitlement	
		which runs counter to the goals of DTLA	
		2040.	
Live/Work	Maintain 1,000 SF average unit size	Remove average unit size requirement. It is	Direct City Planning to remove average unit size
Units	requirement in Arts District.	overly prescriptive and creates barriers and	requirement in the Arts District and allow live/work
		added costs to housing development. This	units to count toward the required "productive space"
		requirement also creates an unnecessary	(i.e., office or light industrial).
		discretionary entitlement which runs	
		counter to the goals of DTLA 2040.	
		HR&A provided analysis on this issue and	
		concluded larger units are more expensive	
		to build, but that reduced unit size does not	
		necessarily result in increased affordability.	
Arts District	Include 10-story height minimum.	Height minimums are overly prescriptive	Direct City Planning to remove height minimums and
Height		and undermine intent of plan to allow new	maximums throughout DTLA 2040.
Minimum		housing construction that is zoning	
		compliant.	
River Setback	Reduce LA river set back from 20	Agree with City Planning recommendation.	Direct City Planning to reduce LA river set back from
	feet to 10 feet.		20 feet to 10 feet.



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	This area is currently zoned for light manufacturing and commercial uses, and several social service providers are located there.	Banning mixed-income housing would further concentrate poverty in this area of DTLA and run counter to stated DTLA 2040 plan goals of inclusive and diverse neighborhoods.	Request legal analysis from the City Attorney on impact of prohibiting mixed-income housing in this area and how it affirmatively furthers fair housing.  Direct City Planning to revise IX1 to allow for allow mixed-income housing.
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Re: Council File 22-0617, DTLA 2040 Community Plan

Dear Madame City Attorney,

Established in 1924, Central City Association (CCA) is committed to DTLA's vibrancy and increasing opportunity in the region. We are a membership organization comprised of over 300 members who have played a leading role in improving Downtown Los Angeles and our city. We have been deeply engaged on the DTLA 2040 Community Plan Update since it's initiation in 2014, and we are eager for its adoption after nearly a decade of work from the City and a wide range of stakeholders. As DTLA 2040 begins to move the City Council's legislative process we remain concerned about its proposed zoning for a portion of Skid Row and we ask for your legal review.

The DTLA 2040 Community Plan includes a proposed "IX1" zone for the area of Skid Row between 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, Central, and San Pedro. This area is currently zoned for light manufacturing and commercial uses, and several social service providers are located there. IX1 would continue to allow social services, light industrial and commercial uses, but it would also allow for new housing by right only for projects with 100% of units restricted for affordable housing up to 120% of Area Median Income (i.e., Moderate Income) or below.

We are concerned that this proposed zoning continues the policy of containment and does not affirmatively further fair housing. Banning mixed-income housing would further concentrate poverty in this area of DTLA and run counter to stated DTLA 2040 plan goals of inclusive and diverse neighborhoods.

Thank you for your consideration related to the legal implications of the "IX1" zone and we stand ready to provide any additional you may need to review this matter.

Sincerely,

Nella McOsker CEO & President Central City Association