

Communication from Public

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Name: HPOZs... L.A.s Historic Treasures ..Do Not Destroy Them

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Comments for Public Posting: Thank you Yaroslavsky! We hope our other councilmembers will follow you! We support UnitedNeighbors amendments to ED1. We support Guidelines/Amendments that will protect L.A.s Historic HPOZs/Historic Preservation Overlay Zones. We support Councilmember Yaroslavsky's Motion. The city's HPOZs are very special, they are rich Historic Resources, each one an example of different styles of architecture, from this great city's past....from Craftsmen homes of the 1920's and before, to 100 year old Mediterranean homes, cherished historic jewels, taken care of by loving owners, through generations, obeying restrictions as to not doing anything to compromise the Historic Significance of the buildings, protected and valued for their beauty and for educating the public as to the architectural history of our great city. Many HPOZs are in the city's underserved communities. It would be criminal to compromise these Historic Resources and lift these protections for the Mayors ED1 projects, when there is more than ample space throughout this city to build housing elsewhere, like just one example, our commercial areas and corridors. Former City Controller, Ron Galperin, in his 'HHH Failure Report', highly recommended 'Adaptive Reuse' .. with so many vacant buildings not being used, to get more housing and affordable housing. The city has record breaking vacancies. With more and more working at home now, NYC is reusing all empty downtown office buildings for Residential housing. Carving into the city's treasured HPOZ neighborhoods is a lazy way to get more affordable housing. It's high time the most Creative City in the country gets Creative in addressing these problems and respects all the work, time, love, and care that has gone into preserving what is very special about L.A....their Historic Resources, including their HPOZs.