

Communication from Public

Name: Kamilah McMillon

Date Submitted: 08/15/2025 04:41 PM

Council File No: 25-0002-S19

Comments for Public Posting: Los Angeles cannot afford to oppose Sb79. If the city chooses to issue support in opposition of sb79 they are supporting a legacy of racism and segregation. To allow truly affordable housing there must be the ability to build on the land we have. Measures like sb79 will permit la to move forward and creating new housing and job opportunities for all angelenos. Say no to nimbyism and yes to abundance. Minority donors should not get to dictate the future of the city.

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Name: Laurie Kelson

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Comments for Public Posting: I support CF 25-0002-S19. With the Housing Element, Los Angeles should be exempt from SB 79.

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Name: Max Asayesh-Brown

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Comments for Public Posting: SB79 is an essential common-sense bill. California and Los Angeles invest way too much in public transit to not enable more people to live near it. LA desperately needs this housing. I live near the subway and take it to work daily and it is important to give more people the opportunity to do so. It would be nothing short of disgraceful for LA to oppose SB79.

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Name: Toby muresianu
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Comments for Public Posting: I'm a father of two small kids in a house on a lot that would be upzoned by SB79. I strongly support SB79 and urge you not to move forward this motion, which is directly against my family's interests and the well being of the city as a whole. The biggest issue for my quality of life as an LA resident is not apartment buildings. It is the people sleeping on the street that I have to explain to my kids. It is my homeless person I befriended who died of exposure while waiting for housing. It is the preschool that can't retain teachers since they can't commute two hours each way. It is the absurd amount we pay on our mortgage for a home that was built cheaply in the 1930s. My concerns are common ones. In most angelenos rank as serious concerns the cost of housing (87%) and homelessness (93%) and most support housing in their neighborhoods even at risk to "neighborhood character" or traffic. <https://www.latimes.com/california/newsletter/2024-05-09/3-charts-that-show-l-a-voters-are-frustrated-with-housing-costs-essential-california> It is bizarre the city threatens to prioritize the fear of apartment buildings - which virtually all residents pass every day without incident as the banal reality of living in a city - over the issues residents are actually suffering from, whether by paying thousands of dollars in inflated costs every month, living among people dying on our streets, or being one of the people dying. With LA's newly adopted residential protection ordinance, which entitles low income residents displaced by construction to in some cases over \$100,000 and the right to a permanently affordable new apartment, displacement is unlikely and the opportunity to take advantage of these protections could be a life changing benefit. Vague fears of change or insisting on local control is no excuse for perpetuating a housing crisis that is a top concern of our citizens and that the city has had ample opportunity to address but has not been able to. The least our city government can do is not stand in the way of real and overdue solutions like SB79.

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Name: Stephen

Date Submitted: 08/15/2025 08:03 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: ??As a third generation Angeleno and longtime local activist and one time Century Glen Board member, I strenuously oppose SB 79 in its current form. This bill allows apartment buildings within a half-mile radius of transit stops or half-mile radius of bus stops with 15 minute headways and a bus route that utilizes a dedicated bus lane in any portion of it route—without affordability requirements—threatening single-family neighborhoods, affordable multi-family, Historic Districts, and light-industrial zones while lacking critical environmental safeguards.??Los Angeles’s Housing Element substantially increases the city's multi-family housing capacity on transit and commercial corridors while meeting the State’s housing mandates at all levels of affordability and still protects single-family, light industrial and Historic District zones through responsible urban planning. ??SB 79 undermines this by:?? + Allowing unnecessary, unchecked development that strains infrastructure and budgets.?- Requiring no affordable housing while enabling market-rate construction anywhere as noted above.? +Disrupting the City's efforts to meet mandated, affordability goals and serve transit-dependent residents.? +Reducing homeownership opportunities for working- and middle-class families.?- Encouraging gentrification by disregarding Historic District protections.? +Eliminating light-industrial zones vital for future jobs and work-life balance.??Local governments need to be stewards of good urban planning while also answering the State's housing needs, but they should not become facilitators of bad bills that ignore good planning standards and the well-being of communities. We urge you to oppose SB 79 unless amended to exempt the needless densification of single-family, affordable multi-family, Historic, and light-industrial zones.?? Respectfully, Stephen Randall? Los Angeles, CA 90025

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Name: Adam

Date Submitted: 08/15/2025 10:22 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I very strongly oppose this motion moving forward. Los Angeles is in desperate need of any and all new housing. We should be strongly supporting SB79's mission to utilize city planning for good, to create more housing equity and housing options! It allows more people across all income levels to access LA Metro and allows more young families to have safe, affordable housing. It also helps support LA Metro's budget with increased ridership. SB79 is a win for LA on all levels. My councilwoman, Traci Park, has made the visceral hatred that she holds for the renters that she represents very clear. She would rather protect the artificial green lawns of millionaires and billionaires who use zoning to make sure economically disadvantaged black and brown families are not permitted anywhere near the precious single family homes in Westchester. The fact the Mayor Karen Bass is purportedly supporting this measure shows that she is willing to toss aside the needs of the very communities she claims to uplift. Remarkably shameful behavior. I encourage all LA Council members with actual concern for the wellbeing of the constituents and the city of LA as a whole to oppose this counterproductive motion.

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Name: Aaron

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Comments for Public Posting: I strongly oppose this motion moving forward. Los Angeles needs new housing, and SB79 is critical to meeting this need. Supporting LA Metro ridership also invests in its future financial and operational effectiveness. I encourage the council to strongly support SB79 instead.