

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I respectfully urge the City Council to deny the appeal filed by Unite Here Local 11 and uphold the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners' approval of the West Harbor Modification Project, including the certification of the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR). The West Harbor plan—with its 6,200-seat amphitheater, Ferris wheel, and 2,400 new parking spaces—represents the bold, world-class vision our community has been working toward for more than a decade. This project will finally transform our waterfront into the vibrant destination Los Angeles deserves—one that offers dining, shopping, entertainment, and experiences found nowhere else. Beyond its cultural impact, the project promises substantial economic benefits. The West Harbor Modification Project alone will generate 300 construction jobs and \$65 million in economic output, followed by 230 ongoing jobs once operational. Taken as a whole, the West Harbor project will create over 1,300 construction jobs, more than 1,700 permanent jobs, and hundreds of millions of dollars in economic output—an economic engine for San Pedro and beyond. These opportunities come at a time when they are desperately needed. Over the past 50 years, the Port has seen thousands of jobs vanish as fishing, cargo handling, and shipbuilding declined or became automated. West Harbor is our chance to bring good jobs back to the waterfront and restore vitality to a community that has given so much to Los Angeles. Equally important, the mitigation measures outlined in the Draft SEIR demonstrate a thoughtful and balanced approach to environmental stewardship, ensuring sustainability is built into every stage of the project. The West Harbor Modification Project is more than just construction—it is a commitment to our city's future. It will spark tourism, strengthen local businesses, and provide long-term prosperity for our community. I urge you to support this transformative vision and help make West Harbor a reality.