## **Communication from Public**

Name: Bruce Heyman

**Date Submitted:** 09/07/2025 04:34 PM

**Council File No:** 25-0781

Comments for Public Posting: September 7, 2025 LA City Council LA City Council Travel, Trade & Tourism Committee 200 N. Spring St Los Angeles, CA 90012 https://cityclerk.lacity.org/publiccomment/ RE: Reject Appeal of Approved West Harbor Modification Project & SEIR Council File Number 250781 As the Executive Director of Los Angeles Maritime Institute, LAMI, I am writing to support and request your denial of the appeal filed by Unite Here Local 11 of the approved West Harbor Modification Project & SEIR. I attended the Los Angeles Board of Harbor Commissioners' (BOHC) hearing, spoke in favor of the expeditious completion of the project, and submitted a letter of support. I agree with the BOHC and believe that the Lead Agency and the Applicant have properly performed the CEQA process and properly mitigated all negative impacts. This project is important to continue the renaissance that is occurring in San Pedro and the LA Waterfront. This project will help drive economic growth that will uplift the entire community. I'd like to personally thank the developers, their contractors, the Port of Los Angeles and their contractors for allowing LAMI to continue to operate through all phases of the construction program. This has allowed us to continue to serve over 5,000 student-sailing days per year significantly benefiting area students. It is clear from the new infrastructure along the waterfront and the new and old tenants that are being brought into the project, that this development will be nothing short of transformative. LAMI is extremely excited to be based within the project footprint. We are also very excited about the amenities articulated in this project that will further enhance and augment the existing and new "coming online" elements. As a Past Chair of the San Pedro Chamber of Commerce I am acutely aware of the shortage of venue space within our community along with the lack of attractions that are "sticky enough" to maximize the tourism opportunities that the vibrant cruise industry presents. The multiuse Amphitheater and wheel help solve these challenges and will likely push us into the critical mass that will allow us to all be far more successful. Further, I would also like to thank the Port and Developer for the level of care that has been provided in the preparation of this SEIR, along with the exhaustive coverage of items studied and for the level of mitigation of any potential negative impacts. We recommend denial of the Appeal presented

by Unite Here Local 11. We hope you will agree with us and unanimously and quickly move this item through the process so that we can move our community forward. Sincerely, Bruce Heyman Executive Director Los Angeles Maritime Institute Past Board Chair San Pedro Chamber of Commerce





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Sincerely

Bruce Heyman

**Executive Director** 

Los Angeles Maritime Institute

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## **Communication from Public**

Name: Christina Parkison **Date Submitted:** 09/07/2025 06:38 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: I am a San Pedro resident and I 100% support the addition of the

amphitheater to the San Pedro Harbor development.

## **Communication from Public**

Name: Lisa

**Date Submitted:** 09/07/2025 01:34 PM

**Council File No:** 25-0781

Comments for Public Posting: Council File Number: 25-0781 Dear Los Angeles City Council, I respectfully urge you 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 certification of the Supplemental Environmental Impact Report (SEIR). The proposed 6,200-seat amphitheater, Ferris wheel, and 2,400 additional parking spaces are essential to transforming our waterfront into the world-class destination we have long envisioned. I have supported the amphitheater concept for over a decade because Los Angeles needs this iconic partnership between West Harbor and Nederlander, whose expertise in booking and venue management ensures the success of this project. Opportunities of this scale and quality do not come along often, and we cannot afford to let this one slip away. This project will deliver significant cultural and economic benefits. Dining, shopping, and entertainment businesses will thrive as world-class talent is booked at the venue. Summer concerts will draw thousands of excited visitors each week, eager to experience live music and spend money at the restaurants and facilities along the waterfront. The amphitheater is the catalyst that makes this entire vision possible. Economically, this development will be a major asset to our community, creating jobs, attracting tourism, and strengthening local businesses. The Draft SEIR reflects a thoughtful, balanced, and sustainable approach to addressing environmental concerns, and after more than ten years of careful planning, this project has earned the community's support. As a San Pedro resident of more than 40 years and a parent who raised two children here, I have seen many opportunities for our town come and go. This is the greatest opportunity we've had, and it is right in front of us now. Let's not lose it. Build it, and they will come. Thank you for your leadership and commitment to advancing this vital project over its final hurdle. Sincerely, Lysa Quealy