

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: SUPPORT — Council File 26-0160-S97 I am submitting public comment in support of the proposed lien and the City's continued enforcement regarding 844 W. Gardena Boulevard. This property has been a concern within the Harbor Gateway community for years. The location previously operated as an illegal cannabis dispensary known as Lights Out before being shut down. It later reopened under the name Club 844. My concern today goes beyond the amount of this lien. Recent construction activity has been observed at the property, and the "For Lease" signage that had been displayed on the building was recently removed. I believe the City should ensure that any current or proposed use of this property has all required permits, approvals, inspections and certificates before operations are allowed to proceed. I have also received reports alleging possible overnight activity at the property, including allegations of an illegal cannabis operation and gambling activity with access through the rear of the building. I have not independently verified these allegations, and I am not presenting them as established fact. I am placing them on the record because I believe they warrant review by the appropriate City departments. This is particularly important because this property is located in close proximity to Environmental Charter Middle School and the Boys & Girls Club. Our responsibility to protect the surrounding community especially locations serving young people requires consistent code enforcement and appropriate follow-up when legitimate concerns are raised. Public records identify 844 W. Gardena Boulevard as a commercially zoned property in Harbor Gateway North. I respectfully support the lien before the Council and ask that the City continue investigating the current use and condition of this property and ensure full compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. Thank you for your attention to Harbor Gateway and for protecting the quality of life of the residents, businesses, students and families who use this corridor every day.