

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I oppose this development for many reasons but first i want to point out that I attended the meeting at Romana Hall, some 4 years ago, in which this westside developer, Michael Naim, blatantly insulted our community by claiming he was surprised at the sophistication of the responses from a uneducated population who only spoke spanish. But I guess racists remarks is the status quo for city hall and is acceptable at all levels? I understand this is a meeting based on the appeal on the CEQA exemption status so Ill base my argument solely on this matter. HOMELESSNESS: Market rate housing like this will only increase our homeless population and have a direct impact on our environment. A 10% low income category is catch phrase semantics used by wall street developers! We need a minimum of 30% (BASED ON square foot RATIO TO overall project living space) to even consider an impact on our housing crisis. Low income housing based on whos' statistics? Again, instead of using a metro-LA MAI figure lets use a census tract figure! Plus who is going to monitor the "low income" status of residents? Corrupt City of LA housing? Inept County Housing Authority? TRAFFIC, NOISE and AIR QUALITY: This project will have a significant effect on local traffic, street noise and air quality! Although based on a dream TOC model I would like to point out that residents will not use an underfunded, inefficient transportation service like the Metro Gold Line. It has been proven that the majority (90%) of the residents at the 6 developments adjacent to the Lincoln/Cypress Station still use their cars! CAN NOT BE ADEQUATELY SERVED BY ALL REQUIRED UTILITIES AND PUBLIC SERVICES: Water? Although we are having an abundance of rain it does not dismiss the effects of global warming! We live in a desert and still need to import water to sustain our existing population! We need to be sustainable and can not gamble on weather trends or cloud seeding to justify hedge fund profits! Power? Our power grid is at maximum capacity and needs considerable upgrades to keep up with demand. Soon enough we'll be experiencing rolling blackouts and power quotas that only the wealthy can circumvent. Public Services? LAPD's employment is at a 30 year low and crime is continuously on the rise! On top of this the City of LA is facing a billion dollar shortfall and is already decreasing existing services and has (or

will) eliminated thousands of vacant jobs due to their mismanagement. As a voting Democrat and a card carrying IBEW Electrician I urge the PLUM Committee to deny the Categorical Exemption determined by the LA Planning Commission.