

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: The Los Angeles Convention Center expansion and modernization project is crucial for Downtown LA's vitality. As a pivotal asset to our community, the Convention Center generates substantial economic benefits through hosting events and conventions. However, its aging infrastructure and limited size have led to the loss of significant opportunities, hindering commercial activity in our neighborhood. With the LA28 Olympics on the horizon, the demand for our Convention Center is only set to intensify, necessitating immediate action rather than postponement until after the Games. To expedite the project and mitigate taxpayer risk, a private/public partnership should be pursued, ensuring an accelerated timeline and shared responsibility. Despite the upfront costs, the project's indirect benefits far surpass the investment, bolstering the local economy and stimulating growth. Moreover, the expansion will catalyze hotel and hospitality development, increasing tax revenue for the city. Ultimately, this project represents a vital step towards revitalizing Downtown LA, particularly as it continues to recover from the pandemic's impact.