

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Christine Lee

**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2021 09:32 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0829-S1

**Comments for Public Posting:** I am a Venice resident and stakeholder and I disapprove of the Reese Davidson Community Center. This building is a monstrosity and should not be built. The only people it serves are developers who have no sense of community - they do not care that they are building a bloated and ugly building in the heart of Venice and that it does not even serve the homeless or any low income families. It's a waste of tax payer money and it only serves people who stand to make a lot of money. Please abort this project. Even the family members of Gregory Hines do not want their parent's, Gregory Hines, associated with this total misuse of public tax payer money. Build something that serves the interests of the community - not developers.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dionne Aarsen

**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2021 09:57 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0829-S1

**Comments for Public Posting:** This is the most irresponsible program with a false veil of helping people. You can do more with less elsewhere. Beyond the exorbitant price per unit is the extreme impact to our environment (which is not being formally recognized or reported) and neighborhood. Please cancel this project and use that budget more thoughtfully somewhere else that can accommodate more people with less impact to the environment and Venice neighborhood. Venice is 3 square miles. We have done our fair share of support in CD11.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ed O

**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2021 10:09 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please vote no on this project application. The proposed structure is horribly inconsistent with the neighborhood it is sited in, will undoubtedly make parking worse in the area, especially in summer, and does nothing to help the Venice homeless move off the streets. Helping the homeless was this project's initial purpose, but not now. It is now just a huge subsidized housing project that is open to anyone in the County. It will just make Venice worse. Please vote NO on this project application.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Erika Lee

**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2021 10:20 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am writing as a resident of CD11 and staff member of Venice Community Housing (VCH). I am in strong support of the housing development proposed between Venice Blvd, Dell and Pacific Aves. We've seen the increasing number of homelessness throughout Los Angeles and the only solution is to create housing. This housing is desperately needed across all of Los Angeles, including areas such as Venice so everyone, regardless of income level or background, has access to the coast and beach. By working at VCH I've seen first hand the beneficial impacts that stable and safe housing has on peoples lives. I've also had the difficult experiences of seeing people fall into homelessness on the Westside because there aren't enough shelter beds and housing resources for the level of need. I urge you to approve this project as a much needed clear solution to reducing homelessness within our city.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Isadora May

**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2021 10:21 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** MONSTER BUSINESS IN VENICE AND PLAYA DEL REY HAVE BEEN AFFECTED- THE HORRENDOUS OPENING DOOR TO CRIMINALS IN VENICE AND PLAYA DEL REY IT IS SHOWN, NO SHAME TO YOU ALL COUNCILMEN ESPECIALLY BONIN WHOSE VIEWPOINT IS TOTALLY GEARED TO HELP ALL THE WRONG ISSUES THEREFORE GETTING ALL OF US IN TROUBLE. VOTE BONIN OUT VOTE BONIN OUT THE MONSTER THE MONSTER

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Stephen Pouliot  
**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2021 09:14 AM  
**Council File No:** 21-0829-S1  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I totally object to the present city plans for the over-sized, ill conceived project for Venice Boulevard. This project must be totally re-evaluated to reflect the signature and environment of the Venice community

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Carl L Burdick

**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2021 11:22 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am writing in support of the Venice community housing project. I live in Mar Vista, but I am very familiar with this site. I have a background in architecture, and I do not feel this project is out of scale or character with the surrounding neighborhood, and I truly believe it will actually help restore Venice to a better vision of what it once was. Referring to research done by Urban Planning Researcher Dario Rodman Alvarez that was quoted in the Atlantic Article "The California Dream Is Dying" By Conor Freidersdorf: from 1960 to 2010, the population of 90291 shrank by 20 percent, while the population of the Los Angeles metro area increased by 91 percent. The insistence on making Venice less dense is destroying the bohemian culture that Venice has been famous for since at least the 1950's. The affordable housing that once attracted artists and musicians that made Venice so attractive has disappeared as Venice off the boardwalk morphs into a glorified office park facsimile of Newport Beach. Residents, most of whom claim to value diversity, are suing diversity out of existence in their own neighborhoods by apposing projects like this one. I truly believe this is the right project, in the right place, at the right time.  
<https://www.theatlantic.com/ideas/archive/2021/07/california-dream-dying/619509/>