

Communication from Public

Name: Concerned Angeleno
Date Submitted: 06/16/2023 11:53 AM
Council File No: 23-1200-S122
Comments for Public Posting: While not familiar with this individual, it is somewhat troubling to have a commissioner of the City Planning Commission who is also not only a board member, but who is PRESIDENT of Abundant Housing, a group with very narrow views as to how development should be done in Los Angeles. As a chapter of California YIMBY, Abundant Housing has taken very extreme positions in opposing the preservation of single family neighborhoods and has done everything in its power to seek the eradication of these neighborhoods. This runs contrary to many community plans and the wishes of those who seek to develop balanced communities that offer all different typographies of housing. Appointments of Abundant Housing representatives places lobbying entities on the planning bodies of the City. This is completely inappropriate. Has this nominee demonstrated the ability to disagree with the positions of Abundant Housing or will she represent them on the City Planning Commission? We need people who are willing and committed to being open to different points of view and to weigh policies objectively -- not through an already established point of view. Abundant Housing and California YIMBY are lobbying forces that introduce and support state legislation on housing issues. They are already an entrenched and vocal force in the state's housing advocacy arena. Having their local President on the CPC is a problem and compromises the so-called independence of this important body.

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Name: Dre Guttag
Date Submitted: 06/16/2023 02:04 PM
Council File No: 23-1200-S122
Comments for Public Posting: I'm writing today as your constituent in hopes that you will support Mayor Bass's recommendation to appoint Ilissa Gold to the Los Angeles City Planning Commission. The work she has done to increase housing while keeping communities involved and on board throughout the process has been extraordinary. It is rare to see somebody in volunteer positions engage with the tenacity and effectiveness that she does. I know she will be an extremely valuable resource as a member of the Commission. With Appreciation, Dre Guttag Chair, Outreach and Civic Engagement* Member, Social and Racial Equity Committee* Mid City West Neighborhood Council* *Titles used only for identification purposes.