

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Having become very familiar with this individual, it is with great, yet humble, enthusiasm to have a commissioner of the City Planning Commission who is not only a multicultural member, but who is multilingual, highly educated, with years of experience organizing multiple communities in LA as it pertains to land use, housing, and diversity. He has very open-minded views as to how development should be done in Los Angeles. As an advocate of California housing and housing as a human right, Jaime Del Rio has gone to great lengths in supporting the upzoning of under-zoned neighborhoods for the benefit of more families at more affordable rates and has done everything in his power to seek the development of these neighborhoods. His education and suggestions align with many community plans and the wishes of those who seek to develop balanced communities that offer all different typographies of housing. As a multi-faceted representative of LA, his appointment places a much-needed voice on the planning bodies of the City. This is a wonderful decision. This nominee has demonstrated an ability to think in a well-rounded way when it comes to his communities. Rightfully so, he will represent them on the City Planning Commission as a leader does. We need people who are willing and committed to being open to different points of view and to weigh policies objectively, like Mr. Del Rio -- not through an already established point of view. Housing advocates are tour de forces that introduce and support state legislation on housing issues. They are already in the movement and a vocal force in the state's planning advocacy arena. Having their local advocate on the CPC is a gift and enhances the well-respected independence of this important body.