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Wed, Oct 11, 2023 at 8:00 AM

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Date: Fri, 6 Oct 2023 17:01:29 -0700

Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded Support for The Rendon Hotel Project CF: 22-1162

Dear Honorable Chair,

I am writing to express my support for the Rendon hotel project in the Arts District.

This past year I had the great fortune of working directly with the Rendon team as part of an international residency project, which welcomed Ukrainian artists affected by the war. Husband-and-wife team, Ralph Ziman and Maria Greenshields-Ziman readily welcomed two artists to be an integral part of their studio family and provided the artists with logistical and artistic support, together with a screening at the Rendon hotel before the artists returned to Ukraine.

Working with the Rendon team and witnessing their commitment to the artists and surrounding community, I know that they will place the same care and attention to creating a thriving community around their redevelopment of the Rendon hotel. Committed to the local arts community, the hotel is both a response for a critical need for lodging in the Arts District as well as a creative way of connecting visitors to the vibrancy and creativity that exists within Downtown Los Angeles. The renovation of the over 100-year-old building and its transformation into an art focused hotel will contribute to the viability of the burgeoning Arts District.

The proposed plans call for an adaptive reuse of the existing, dilapidated building and construction of a new, 15-story addition. The completed project will not only offer needed guest rooms, but more importantly reinvigorate the Arts District with artist-in-residence studios, an art gallery, restaurant and bar, thus preserving and empowering the character and history of this community as the artistic heart of Downtown Los Angeles, as well as open the door for future generations of artists. Most importantly, this project is ideally located as it would not displace any existing residential, commercial, or industrial uses.

This former hotel has the chance to once again serve the Arts District community and the artists who live here. Please approve the Rendon Hotel project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

Asha Bukojemsky
Curator and Senior Art Program Specialist, LA Metro

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From: ""judywollman (null)" via Clerk-PLUM-Committee" <clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org>

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Cc: clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org

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Date: Fri, 6 Oct 2023 19:38:58 -0700

Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded Support for the Rendon Hotel and El Sol Project

Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky

Planning and Land Use Management Committee

200 N. Main St., Room 450

Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: The Rendon Hotel // CF: 22-1162

Dear Councilwoman Yaroslavsky,

I am a resident of your district and am reaching out because this project is very important to me and the broader Los Angeles community.”

I would like to express my full support of the proposed Rendon Hotel project in the Arts District. The renovation of the over 100 year-old building and its transformation into an art focused hotel will contribute to the viability of the burgeoning Arts District. The proposed plans call for an adaptive reuse of the existing, dilapidated building and construction of a new, 15-story addition. The completed project will not only offer needed guest rooms, but more importantly reinvigorate the Arts District with artist-in-residence studios, an art gallery, restaurant and bar, thus preserving and empowering the character and history of this community as the artistic heart of Downtown Los Angeles, as well as open the door for future generations of artists.

I also support the 43 units of affordable housing being proposed at the El Sol. These affordable housing units will be provided in appropriate area, in urban-rich downtown in the former historical residential single occupancy district.

It is affirming to see that this effort is both artist- and community-driven. Husband-and-wife team, Ralph Ziman and Maria Greenshields-Ziman, are both local artists and active community members in the Arts District. They’ve utilized the existing Rendon Hotel space to host several pop-up art events as fundraisers for local nonprofit organizations, including Art Share L.A., Cornerstone Theater Company, ICA LA, and Inner City Arts. Providing new art studios, gallery space, and an artist-in-residency program in the hotel demonstrates what giving back to your community should look like. They also have an art-internship program, that at least one of your constituents has benefitted from as a paid intern there for his summer job. This affirming real life job experience has transformed this child from an average student, to a current straight A student at New West Charter School.

Additional hotel rooms are much-needed in the Arts District where visitor-serving opportunities are few and far between. With its proximity to Downtown LA and the ever-increasing well of local entertainment options, this is a part of the City where we should be welcoming more visitors. This project is ideally located as it would not displace any existing residential, commercial, or industrial uses.

This former hotel has the chance to once again serve the Arts District community and the artists who live here. Please approve the Rendon Hotel project.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Wollman

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To: Spam moderators <clerk.plumcommittee+managers@lacity.org>

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Subject: The Rendon Hotel Project CF: 22-1162

From: Jim Scott <jim3@nightnetwork.com>

Date: Oct 03 04:04PM -0700

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson
Chair, Planning and Land Use Management Committee
200 N. Main St., Room 450
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: The Rendon Hotel // CF: 22-1162

Dear Honorable Chair,

Please find attached my letter of support.

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Subject: Dear Beneficiary

From: "Mrs.Evelyn Richardson" <christianmoses185@gmail.com>

Date: Oct 04 01:23PM -0700

Dear Beneficiary.

This is to inform you that the United Nation Organization in conjunction with the World Bank has released the 2023 Compensation Fund which you are one of the lucky 40 winners that the committee has resolved to compensate with

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Subject: Re: Follow Up
From: Linda Whitney <linda@usaleadsonline.com>
Date: Oct 05 05:03PM +0530

Hi,

I wanted to check with you if you had a time to go through my previous email,

Let me know your thoughts about acquiring this email list

Regards,
Linda

Hi,

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Subject: Please Dear, I need your help to invest in your country,
From: "MRS. AISHA GADDAFI" <sawadogoboureima525@gmail.com>
Date: Oct 05 10:44PM +0200

Dearest,

I am sending my greetings to you from Oman, In the city Muscat, at the same time seeking your indulgence to read this investment offer.

My name is Aisha Gaddafi , I am presently living in Oman, however I am a widow and a single

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Subject: Hi can you reply please urgent,
From: Jenna Morgan <jennemorgan22@gmail.com>
Date: Oct 06 12:47PM +0200

Greet to you,

I want to donate toward education and the less privilege;

I will need your service to handle this project.i will give you more details once you accept this offer.

Thanks
Mrs.Jenna Morgan.

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Subject: Feed The Goats
From: Eric Preven's Notebook <eric@ericpreven.com>
Date: Oct 06 09:35AM -0400

Click above to see the scene from the 1980 Stardust Memories Written and Directed by Woody Allen in which the character he plays Sandy Bates, reminisces about a perfect moment with Dorrie played by Charlotte Rampling. 🙌🙌🙌🙌
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Subject: DONNA DRIVE Live at ITA Underground TONIGHT!
From: DONNA DRIVE <iwtmsfn@dd-promo3.com>
Date: Oct 06 09:43PM

The lads from Carlsbad return to The OC to rock ITA Underground !!TONIGHT!! along with The Bad Kissers. Experience thrills and exhaustion from their excellent, energy-packed set of unique So Cal

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Date: Fri, 06 Oct 2023 22:20:12 +0000 (UTC)
Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded Where is the Housing? Rendon Hotel (Council File 22-1162, 22-1162-S1; 22-1162-S2)

Honorable Planning and Land Use Management Committee Members,

I am writing in opposition to the Rendon Hotel. Its proposed replacement housing plan appears to violate the Development Guidelines and Controls for Residential Hotels. The Guidelines state explicitly that rehabilitation is not allowed as replacement housing for sites listed in Attachment A of the document. The El Sol is listed in Appendix A of the Development Guidelines. The use of El Sol's rehabilitation for the Rendon project's replacement obligations would permanently and inappropriately extinguish obligations to replace units at the El Sol, permanently reducing the stock of units designated for SRO housing.

We can simply not afford to lose any opportunities to provide increased housing. Please do not approve this until these issues are fixed.

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From: "'Devin Pearson' via Clerk-PLUM-Committee" <clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org>

To: clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org, clerk.cps@lacity.org, candy.rosales@lacity.org

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Date: Fri, 06 Oct 2023 22:19:12 +0000 (UTC)

Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded Don't Reduce SRO Stock, Reject Rendon Hotel (CF 22-1162, 22-1162-S1; 22-1162-S2)

Honorable Planning and Land Use Management Committee Members,

The Development Guidelines and Controls for Residential Hotels are intended to ensure that we fully replace our SRO stock as development occurs. Accordingly, I urge you to reject the Rendon Hotel project. Contrary to applicable guidelines, the proposed replacement plan relies on rehabilitation of units at the El Sol, which would mean the City would permanently lose out on replacing over 30 units there.

We can simply not afford to lose any opportunities to provide increased housing. Please do not approve this until these issues are fixed.

Devin Pearson

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Date: Fri, 06 Oct 2023 22:08:23 +0000 (UTC)

Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded No to Rendon Hotel (Council Files 22-1162, 22-1162-S1; 22-1162-S2)

Honorable Planning and Land Use Management Committee Members,

In the midst of a homeless crisis, it is highly disturbing the City is considering allowing a new boutique hotel to permanently remove over 30 units designated for SRO housing. The Rendon Hotel's proposed replacement housing plan appears to violate the plain language of the Development Guidelines and Controls for Residential Hotels. The El Sol is listed in Appendix A of the Development Guidelines. The use of El Sol's rehabilitation for the Rendon project's replacement obligations would permanently and inappropriately extinguish obligations to replace units at the El Sol, permanently reducing the stock of units designated for SRO housing.

Please reject the Rendon Hotel project.

Lydia Schmelling
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From: Jon Zerolnick <important@zerolnick.com>

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Date: Fri, 06 Oct 2023 21:50:46 +0000 (UTC)

Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded Opposition - Rendon Hotel (Council File 22-1162, 22-1162-S1; 22-1162-S2)

Honorable Planning and Land Use Management Committee Members,

I am writing in opposition to the Rendon Hotel.

It is time for the City to lead on housing by standing up to developers. This project should not move forward at this time.

Its proposed replacement housing plan appears to violate the Development Guidelines and Controls for Residential Hotels. The Guidelines state explicitly that rehabilitation is not allowed as replacement housing for sites listed in Attachment A of the document. The El Sol is listed in Appendix A of the Development Guidelines. The use of El Sol's rehabilitation for the Rendon project's replacement obligations would permanently and inappropriately extinguish obligations to replace units at the El Sol, permanently reducing the stock of units designated for SRO housing.

We can simply not afford to lose any opportunities to provide increased housing. Please do not approve this until these issues are fixed.

Thanks for your attention.

Jon Zerolnick
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Los Angeles, California 90032

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Date: Sat, 7 Oct 2023 02:33:29 +0000

Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded ENV-2017-4735-MND Support Letter

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson

Chair, Planning and Land Use Management Committee

200 N. Main St., Room 450

Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: ENV-2017-4735-MND Support Letter

Dear Honorable Chair,

My name is Todd Bauer and **I fully support the Rendon Hotel project.**

I am very involved in the Downtown Los Angeles community and invested in its future success. The Arts District is a vibrant, growing, and exciting place to live and as a destination. Whether it stems from the new Metro Regional Connector, the completion of the 6th Street Viaduct, or the numerous businesses arriving in the neighborhood, the Arts District is cementing itself as a destination for commerce, creativity, and culture in Los Angeles.

Over the next decade, visitors from all over the world will be arriving in our city for the World Cup in 2026 and the Summer Olympics in 2028, among other major events. The Arts District will attract many tourists who want to experience all the amazing opportunities that the neighborhood has to offer. As a result, I want to make sure that individuals have a chance to not only stay in the Arts District but also experience what it is like to live in the community. The

Rendon Hotel project will do just that. Developed by local artists Ralph and Maria Ziman, the proposed hotel will include art studios, gallery space, and an artist-in-residency program, while also playing host to fundraisers supporting the arts, which has already begun through [Art At The Rendon](#). This hotel will immerse visitors in the cultural fabric that makes the Arts District so special.

Art is meant to be shared. Being part of the DTLA culture, I get to witness the beauty of creative expression each and every day. I want to share this opportunity with those who visit our city.

The Rendon Hotel will respond to a critical desire for lodging and cultural amenities in the Downtown area. This project will generate countless vital jobs, provide opportunities for local artists, and foster a genuine center for the arts in Downtown. As a DTLA stakeholder, I am excited by what this project has to offer. Please support the continued revitalization of the Downtown LA area and fostering of the creative arts in Los Angeles.

Respectfully submitted,

Todd Bauer

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Date: Fri, 6 Oct 2023 12:14:21 -0700

Subject: Public Comments Not Uploaded The Rendon Hotel // 2053-2055 E. 7th St

Councilmember Marqueece Harris-Dawson

Chair, Planning and Land Use Management Committee

200 N. Main St., Room 450

Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: The Rendon Hotel // 2053-2055 E. 7th St

Dear Honorable Chair,

My name is Austin Randolph, DTLA resident, and I am writing to share my support for the Rendon Hotel project.

I can personally say as a long-time gallery owner and resident of both the Alameda East and downtown artists district that I couldn't have been happier to find out that Maria and Ralph had bought the El Sol Hotel. Of all the people to propose a hotel in the Arts District, the City of Los Angeles should consider itself lucky that Ralph and Maria are the husband-and-wife team to do it. They are artists, community members, and deeply passionate advocates for the long-term prosperity of art in Los Angeles.

As a longtime friend of Ralph and Maria Ziman and know firsthand how passionate they are about art and the arts community in Los Angeles. This project is the ultimate demonstration of their long-term commitment to supporting the Arts District. In addition to their own artistic careers, they have organized numerous fundraisers for community-based art organizations in Los Angeles, which I have attended. These Art At The Rendon events have raised over \$138,000 for organizations such as the Institute of Contemporary Art Los Angeles (ICA LA), Cornerstone Theater Company, Inner-City Arts, the Brady Campaign, and Art Share LA. Knowing Maria and Ralph, these efforts are just the beginning. If this project is approved, I have full confidence that they will be able to advance their goals of supporting equitable arts education and ensuring arts institutions have the financial stability to operate for years to come.

Aside from the Rendon Hotel project, Maria and Ralph have moved their personal art studios to the Boyle Heights side of the Artists District and are committed to the area. They care deeply about art and the Los Angeles community. When I learned that they chose to rebuild the affordable units at the El Sol Hotel, and bought the building without any governmental funding, I was not surprised. The Zimans are community leaders who are willing to do whatever it takes to help the greatest number of people, utilizing the arts to raise the community!

Thank you and please approve the project.

Respectfully submitted,

Austin Randolph
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