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Wed, Oct 11, 2023 at 8:59 AM

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To: Clerk-PLUM-Committee &lt;clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org&gt;

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From: Keya Tama &lt;keyatamadraws@gmail.com&gt;

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Date: Sun, 8 Oct 2023 16:05:54 -0500

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: The Rendon Hotel // CF: 22-1162

Dear Honorable Chair,

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 have worked with Ralph and Maria with their projects of immersive mural installations and and it was an amazing experience where I felt included into the Los Angeles artistic community.

I also had an excellent time collaborating with Ralph doing multiple collaborations in the arts district swell as a one for the state of the world project. I also had a great time working at Ralphs studio for a time and being apart of the community.

It is inspiring 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.

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,

Keya Tama

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From: twin mom <twinmom2b@hotmail.com>

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Respectfully submitted,

Alisa Cairns

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**2 attachments**

 **Public Comments Not Uploaded ENV-2017-4735-MND Support Letter.eml**  
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## Public Comments Not Uploaded Rendon Hotel Support from Artist Mike deNicola

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**Shae Breitenbach** <shaebreitenbach@gmail.com>

Sun, Oct 8, 2023 at 10:25 AM

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Cc: clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org, Mike 😊 Torquato <mdenicola@mac.com>

Please see Michael's letter of support for the Rendon project, below.

Thank you!

Shae Breitenbach



**Mike letter to Rendon.docx**

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Dear Honorable Chair,

My name is Michael deNicola and I am writing in support of the Rendon Hotel project.

Art has always been a passion of mine and the Arts District is a neighborhood I call home. The Rendon Hotel project is made by and for artists and will have a tremendous impact on the artistic community in Los Angeles.

Ralph and Maria Ziman are artists and members of our community with a strong track record of organizing opportunities that celebrate past artists, showcase current artists like myself and educate future artists. Many of these opportunities have already occurred at The Rendon, through their programming with Art At The Rendon. Proceeds from these programs have gone to community-based organizations such as Inner-City Arts, Cornerstone Theater Company, and Art Share LA. The Zimans' events have raised more than \$138,000 to support the longevity of arts institutions, as well as ensure equitable access to the arts in Los Angeles.

The proposed hotel includes a studio, gallery, and event space that enhances the Zimans' ability to host programs supporting our community. Events can be larger, programs can be more frequent, and attendees could now come from Los Angeles and beyond because they'll have a beautiful, convenient place to stay. Furthermore, having a place like this in the Arts District will inspire other individuals to become community leaders like the Zimans and leverage their resources to support the arts as well.

As a member of the arts community, I strongly support this project. Anyone who believes in and understands the importance of art would support this project too.

Sincerely,

Michael Torquato deNicola  
1734 N Main Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90031