

Heather Flores

From: R.M. Holman [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 4:26 PM
To: PlanningCommissioners; Christopher Koontz; Amy Harbin; Scott Kinsey; Heather Flores
Subject: Objection to River Park Residential Project, 712 Baker Street, State Clearinghouse No. 2021020492

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Objection to River Park Residential Project, 712 Baker Street, State Clearinghouse No. 2021020492

I request the Commission reject this harmful Project in favor of the long-planned and much-needed Los Angeles River park that would be forever foreclosed if the City approves this Project. I am in support of our legal counsel Chatten-Brown, Carstens & Minter LLP's correspondence and would like to add:

1. Including the Mayor's letter of support to the Planning Commission is problematic, these are appointees made by the Mayor to the Planning Commission. Recusing himself is not sufficient, the damage is done, While Dawn McIntosh stated it was not illegal for him to support an item before the Planning Commission, it still gives an impression of bias if he were to participate in the discussion when the item comes to the City Council.
2. Mayor Garcia, as well as some councilmembers, have received substantial campaign contributions from the developer, Integral Communities, LLC while their project is under consideration. Mayor Garcia's campaign donors include primarily real estate developers but also include other industries directly and indirectly linked to increased for-profit market luxury housing developments, such as the gated community now under consideration, and therefore must retract his deceptive letter of support.
3. At approximately 2:30 today the requirement for a virtual speaker card has been removed from the Planning Commission website. The illegal requirement was on the City website for more than a month, there has been no public notification it was removed (and regardless, is certainly **insufficient notice for a 5pm meeting**) and only transmitted to Riverpark Coalition and our legal advisors.

At a minimum, I further request a postponement of the hearing to allow further investigation into other conflicts of interest, including members of the Planning Commission, city staff, and councilmembers.

Sincerely,
Roger Martin Holman
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From: Mary Parsell [REDACTED]
Sent: Thursday, September 1, 2022 4:59 PM
To: PlanningCommissioners
Cc: Council District 1; Council District 2; Council District 3; Daryl Supernaw; Council District 5; Council District 6; Council District 7; Council District 8; Council District 9
Subject: REJECT River Park 712 Baker Street

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Dear Chair and Commissioners:

REJECT Final EIR

Note the comments made by California Fish and Game Commission (page 80) that the EIR does not address the colony of endangered Western Burrowing Owls that will be destroyed by the project.

There is no biological survey done by the consulting firm. How can you possibly make policy without knowing the numbers through a biological survey? This is a violation of CEQA and an affront to preserving the endangered Western Burrowing Owl. Vote "No" on ratifying the FEIR.

Sincerely,

Mary Parsell
El Dorado Audubon Society
(local chapter of National Audubon Society)

Contact for this subject: [REDACTED]

cc: Long Beach City Council members, district 1 through 9
Long Beach Mayor Robert Garcia