CITY OF REDONDO BEACH, CALIFORNIA
PLANredondo – City Council
General Plan Advisory Committee (GPAC)
303 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

Subject: Elimination of Option B: Create a Tech Corridor
Reference: GPAC – 190th Proposed Land Use Change - General Plan Amendment

Dear Committee Members:

We are Darrell and Terri Wiggam who reside at 2516 Armour Lane.

We moved into this house 3 years ago with the anticipation of Inheriting from Barbara Perea (mother), to whom we rent from at this time. This is our first real home.

The neighborhood is beyond our dreams, what a friendly community. There are at least 5 families with young children playing around us. You can see the tire swings hanging from the trees in the front yards. What a joy!

We really enjoy the holidays around here. On the 4th of July we have a block party with barbeques going on up and down the street, kids on skateboards and bicycles. Every house gets decorated and last year there was a water slide in the street. Halloween is packed with trick-or-treaters and fun, but the best is Christmas. It’s like a winter wonderland with all the lights, decorations, oh yes even Santa comes to visit us. You should come see all the decorations and lights!

We have applied a lot of time, money and hard work into cleaning up this house in order to blend into this neighborhood, which our neighbors have already created a beautiful atmosphere to live in. We were shocked however, to find out that over the past 2 years Armour Lane has been under consideration for a General Plan Amendment, the **Option B: to create a Tech Corridor**, which we knew nothing about.

Unfortunately, our community faces pressure from those who would, for their own profit, transform our very livable area into a Tech Corridor, transforming our small neighborhood into an extremely dense area with high-rise developments, Tech Centers and Mixed Use Condos, at our expense and puts our communities safety at risk with over population and traffic congestion, as if it’s not bad enough that existing traffic cuts through our street rushing to beat the traffic.

The worse thing about all this is that this house is our inheritances where we are planning to retire. What will happen to our retirement home and any future home improvements? Who will profit in the end? We are uncertain at this time.

**We respectfully request that Option B: Create a Tech Corridor be removed from this General Plan Amendment.**

Sincerely,
Darrell and Terri Wiggam
310-614-5593
Hi Folks,

I am a home owner, 2723 Armour Ln, and own three rental properties on Lilienthal and Alvord. I am reaching out to you because I am concerned about a plan to rezone our neighborhood. Our neighborhood is currently a wonderful place to live and the neighbors all look out for each other. Children play in the streets and in the front yards. Rezoning our neighborhood would change all of that. We as Neighbors have concerns currently because Armour is often used as a cut-through Street to bypass the traffic signal at Inglewood Avenue and 190th Street. This neighborhood does not need more traffic. Please do not rezone our neighborhood.

Thank you, Jim Bennett
54 year resident
Gentlemen,

I am a home owner (2724 Armour Ln) for over 35 years and a former Police Officer for the City of Redondo Beach (31 years). I hope you have already heard from our neighbors and I want to add my displeasure at the possibility of rezoning our neighborhood.

We have wonderful neighbors and our kids grew up here. Now, a whole new bunch of young children play on our lawns, sidewalks, and Franklin Park. We have become a shortcut for traffic wanting to avoid Inglewood/190th and rezoning would probably add to the traffic. We have several new projects already in the works with the housing being built in the 2800 blk of 190/Armour, the plans at the Foundry, and the corner of 190th / Fisk.

We are completely against rezoning our neighborhood and possible loss of value to our properties.

Please do not allow this to proceed.

Paul Burch
Rain Burch
Paul Moses

Jim Light If you want to talk about a Snake Oil Saleswoman and pandering for votes, let’s talk about Candace Nafissi’s sudden flip flop regarding her support for a Tech Corridor on 190th, which would destroy the residential neighborhood in that area. The ENTIRE idea of creating a tech corridor on 190th can be laid at the feet of Rescue Our Waterfront and it's founders, one of those being Candace Nafissi. Her saying she is NOW against the plan is complete fabrication and completely contrary to the position she has held at all the GPAC meetings. I am a member of the GPAC and I sit at same five person table as Candace. Over multiple meetings I clearly recall that she never voiced opposition to creating a tech corridor on 190th, quite the contrary. Her political action committee advocates for a massive increase in office space in Redondo. I remember the session when this was a subject. We worked lot by lot, west to east on 190th. ROW supporters want to turn the Cresta Mobile Home Park into offices. ROW even speculated we could turn the switch yard in office space! I was fighting to maintain housing and increase the high density house on the east end where the drive through dairy was, and Alcast Industries. Now she is pandering for votes on 190th saying she was against this all along. That is just not true.

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Wayne Craig

Paul Moses has apparently been hanging around again with his friends Arnette Travis and Chris Voisey. For over 1.5 years they lied to the public claiming they were paying for a malicious and frivolous lawsuit against Mayor Brand, his volunteer Treasurer Linda Moffat, Council Member Nils Nehrenheim and myself. In court under oath on the witness stand they stated they were not paying for it after all, and didn't know who was which meant they were lying to everyone.

A few weeks later after losing in court they submitted a document under oath that totally contracts what they said on the stand. The textbook term for that is PERJURY.

Paul Moses should be cautioned that other members of the GPAC already say the comments he has made about Candace Nafissi are false.

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Paul Moses
By the way. I challenged her about this point on her Facebook election page. She has deleted all my posts.

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Jen Lowery Flynn
Paul Moses thanks for the info! I am in district 5 and am hopeful Laura Emdee will still represent us.. I sat in that council meeting for over 4 hours and was disgusted by neighbors using the open forum to bash other residents. How is that productive. It is sad this is what the city has come to and I hope the right people get to keep their seat this election!!

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Arnette Travis
Jen Lowery Flynn The real shame is that very little gets done and that is a huge misuse of power, time and resources. As you well know, I am one of the residents that is regularly bashed; only because I hold a different viewpoint and spoke in support of the Centercal project. Prepare to be bashed.

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Sue Ludwig shared a link.

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It’s not like me to speak ill of people I work with on volunteer committees, but Candace Nafissi demonstrated, in less than 3 minutes at the last City Council meeting, her inability to work as part of a team. I am a member of GPAC (General Plan Advisory Committee) and actually worked with Candace in a breakout group to discuss 190th street zoning. She was a proponent of making it a tech corridor, agreeing with member Jim Light.

Given her 3 minutes to address the Council, the first thing she did was to throw GPAC under the bus, by describing the members as “27 colorful, residents, developers...”. Neighbors in her own district felt they needed to take a concern to city council, rather than directly to GPAC, which is open to the public. When a neighbor asked Candace why she hadn’t informed them about an idea to make 190th a tech corridor, Candace replied, it’s not my job to keep you informed, it’s Horvath’s job! She berated Horvath for not attending the meetings. Council members are not needed at GPAC meetings. That’s why each of them appointed 5 residents to represent each district. Candace is the same person who screamed that she...
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THE CALIFORNIA GREEN BUSINESS NETWORK PROGRAM COMES TO HAWTHORNE AND TORRANCE

The SBCCOG, under contract with the cities of Hawthorne and Torrance, began implementing the California Green Business Network (CAGBN) program in September. SBCCOG staff conducted assessments and enrolled 10 businesses during September.

CAGBN is a certification program for businesses that helps them facilitate implementation of best management practices that address energy efficiency, waste reduction, water conservation, and a number of other "green" practices that will help businesses reduce greenhouse gas emissions as well as save money.

The CAGBN, with over 3,000 certified businesses, leads the state and nation in working with small to medium-sized businesses to grow a vibrant and healthy green economy. The result is more livable communities with healthier environments, conserving resources and saving money.

Being a certified green business demonstrates to your community and customers that you are committed to taking action to conserve resources!

If you have a small to medium-sized business in Hawthorne or Torrance and want to learn how to become a certified green business, please contact the South Bay Environmental Services Center: (310) 371-7222.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Recently four South Bay City Councilmembers were installed as executive officers of two important organizations that support our cities. In August, Palos Verdes Estates Councilmember Jennifer King, was sworn in as President of the League of California Cities, Los Angeles County Division. In October, Gardena Councilmember Mark Henderson took the helm as President of the Independent Cities Association (ICA) along with Manhattan Beach City Councilmember Richard Montgomery (President-Elect), and Redondo Beach Councilmember Nils Nerenheim (Secretary).

Congratulations to Councilmembers Jennifer King, Mark Henderson, Richard Montgomery and Nils Nerenheim for your work in these leadership positions on issues to benefit our cities.

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to Hawthorne Boulevard to Artesia Boulevard to the Metro ROW along the western edge of the South Bay Galleria Shopping Center.

In response to the SSA, the Lawndale City Council requested that Metro eliminate the proposed Manhattan Beach/Inglewood station from Alternatives 1 and 2, and the proposed Hawthorne/166th station from Alternatives 3 and 4.

The Metro Board authorized initiation of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report (EIS/EIR) in September 2018 to include only Alternative 1 and Alternative 3. Alternative 2 was eliminated due to design challenges associated with transition from the aerial station at Redondo/Marine to a trench segment before Manhattan/Inglewood Boulevards.

Alternative 4 was eliminated due to operational challenges of multiple sharp turns.

The Board also eliminated the Lawndale stations in both alternatives leaving two stations, one at the South Bay Galleria Shopping Center and the other at the Torrance Transit Center on Crenshaw Boulevard. The Galleria station in Alternative 1 would be on the southwest corner of the site. The Galleria station in Alternative 2 would be in the median of Hawthorne Boulevard.

The cost of the initial project alternatives is expected to range from $890 million to $1.2 billion depending on which alternative is selected and the extent of grade separations (overpasses or trenching) included in the project. Metro has previously identified Measure R and Measure M as funding sources. In addition, the state has committed $250 million in SB-1 funds, in part to accelerate opening of the extension in time for the 2028 Olympic Games. Local jurisdictions are expected to contribute 3% of the cost to construct the project through their city and a yet-to-be-determined share of any acceleration costs.

Next steps: Metro staff will retain a consultant to prepare the environmental analysis and advanced conceptual engineering, as well as conduct community outreach. Metro expects to hold public workshops on the formal EIR/EIS scoping process, soliciting public input, in Spring 2019.

For more information contact Steve Lantz, SBCCOG Transportation Director, (310) 371-7222, lantzsh10@gmail.com.