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Re: Entrada Creative Office Project Case No. P2016-0128 SPR;AM;TPM: Hearing Nov. 9, 2016, 7:00 pm

Dear Planning Commission Members, Mayor and City Council:

Thank you for the opportunity to be heard, as I am unable to attend in person. I would like to express a few concerns as a former 8-year resident of Culver City, and now a very close neighbor to the City. I now live on the Westchester Bluff directly south of the proposed project site (6161 Centinela Blvd.)

The proposed 137 foot structure will greatly obstruct our neighborhood's and homes' city views, placing the structure and it's hundreds of office workers directly in the line of sight of our backyards and living spaces. No other structure to the west of the Doubletree hotel, all the way to the Pacific Ocean, is or will be this close in proximity or as intrusive to existing homes. Even the 1,087 acre Playa Vista Development took great care to minimize the impact to the existing Westchester community, still allowing for responsible yet extensive building, without diminution to existing home values and quality of life.

For decades, the citizens of Culver City and this City Council have debated the ills of this type of expansion. Even as recent as November 2015, a joint hearing of the Council and Planning Commission on private residence masionization resulted in the Council directing staff to draft an ordinance with firmer regulations to preserve the character of Culver City against overbuilding, residences overshadowed by new structures, privacy encroachment, blocked sunlight and aesthetic clashes. Culver residents value the community feel of this area, as do your adjacent neighbors.

I would ask that this new project be approved only if it respects the serious concerns of its neighbors, including the Westchester Bluffs. The tallest point on the building should not rise above the height of the neighboring bluff, and traffic, signaling and foliage plans around the structure should serve to minimize noise and light pollution to every extent possible.

We often talk about being good neighbors, and building for the future. I do not oppose, in fact, I support progress. I'm only asking that this body to also see this project from the perspective of those whose families will live around it for decades to come. I would invite you to visit our neighborhood, my home, and the project site to access the impact of a 137 foot structure on our community.

Sincerely,

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Eric C. Taylor

cc Mayor Jim B. Clarke
Vice Mayor Jeffrey Cooper
LA City Councilman Mike Bonin