

Neighborhood Council of Westchester / Playa

December 8, 2020

Los Angeles City Council  
200 N Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Request of City Planning Community Plan Updates Delay of Six Months

Dear:

I, the undersigned, Paula Gerez, declare that I am the President of the Neighborhood Council of Westchester / Playa.

On December 8, 2020, NCWP, a Brown Act publicly noticed meeting was held by the Neighborhood Council of Westchester / Playa. With a quorum of XX board members present, by a vote of XXyes, X no and X abstention, the governing Board of the NCWP approved a motion to submit this letter.

That the Neighborhood Council Westchester / Playa Motion to support and include for official input to the Los Angeles Department of City Planning in reference to the WRAC Member Community Plan updates, a delay of 6 months due to COVID 19 and restrictions related to public access, meetings and participation and further request the following:

1. An appropriate assessment of how the COVID 19 and future pandemics will impact current and future mobility, housing, design, environmental and health and safety needs and concerns.
2. Current and future data projections relevant to the task of updating all WRAC member Community Plans.
3. Incorporation of an additional step in the Community Plan update timeline that allows for presentation of the staff draft plan and an associated public comment period, or a second and revised concept plan phase. Allocation of time for staff to review public comments and incorporate changes to reflect input prior to issuing any NOP for the start of the environmental review process. It is improper to issue an NOP and conduct a DEIR for a draft plan that the community has had neither the chance to see or review.
4. Thorough public outreach is a must and should include all stakeholders. The Planning Department has not allocated proper time or resources, and City Council must do so moving forward so that no stakeholders are left uninformed about the process.

Best regards,

Paula Gerez  
President  
Neighborhood Council of Westchester / Playa