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FEBRUARY 21st  
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

8th Annual Downtown Los Angeles Economic Forecast

## UPCOMING COMMITTEES

Open to Executive and Business Advocacy Level members only

FEBRUARY 20  
JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING: HOUSING, LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT, URBAN DESIGN, and ARTS, RETAIL & HOSPITALITY

Special Guest: Councilmember Jose Huizar, to present "Bringing Back Broadway"



Executive Director of the Los Angeles World Airports, Gina Marie Lindsey (center), with CCA Executive Committee members Phil Recht, Mayer Brown Rowe & Maw (left), and Jerry Neuman, Allen Matkins (right), at CCA's Executive Committee meeting at the California Club. This meeting was generously hosted by Executive Committee members Clint Creado and Lisa Mazzola of Wachovia Bank.

## LAWA Executive Director is Guest Speaker at CCA Executive Committee Meeting

CCA was pleased to welcome **Gina Marie Lindsey**, Executive Director of the Los Angeles World Airports (LAWA), as the guest speaker at this month's Executive Committee meeting. Ms. Lindsey discussed LAWA's significance to L.A.'s regional economy and stressed the importance of safety and infrastructure improvements at LAX. CCA is working closely with other business groups to advocate for a safe and world-class airport. CCA appreciates Ms. Lindsey's strong leadership on this issue and looks forward to working with her to improve safety at LAX.

At this meeting, CCA's Executive Committee endorsed **Councilmember Bernard Parks** for L.A. County Supervisor, District 2. **Councilmember Parks** has been integral to the growth of the Los Angeles area economy and most recently worked with CCA to establish a Business Retention & Attraction Task Force in City Hall. During this discussion, the Committee noted that **State Senator Mark Ridley-Thomas**, who is running for the same seat, has also been a strong leader and worked positively with CCA.

CCA thanks our generous hosts, Executive Committee members **Clint Creado** and **Lisa Mazzola** of **Wachovia Bank**.

## STAFF BRIEFS

- It is CCA's understanding that a motion will be introduced related to a mandatory "mixed-income housing" proposal on February 19th or 20th. Andrew Westall from Councilmember Wesson's office will present the motion to CCA's Housing Production Subcommittee next week. For more information, please contact CCA's Vice President of Legislative Affairs, Veronica Perez Becker, at 213-624-1213.

- Veronica Perez Becker, CCA's Vice President of Legislative Affairs, testified at the City Council's Budget & Finance Committee in support of a Supplemental Fee Agreement (SFA) for the Las Lomas Project. An SFA would ensure full cost recovery for processing the Project entitlements. The Committee voted to support the SFA contingent on the full City Council voting to support processing the Las Lomas project. We expect this vote to occur in the coming weeks.

- CCA's Director of Government Affairs, Tracey Chavira, testified before the CRA's Board of Commissioners in support of a contract extension to complete analysis of plans to revive a Downtown streetcar (formerly the Red Car Trolley). The Board unanimously approved the contract extension and agreed that a streetcar will provide an essential historic transit connection between new, large-scale Downtown development projects, such as L.A. Live and Grand Avenue. CCA will host a Red Car Advisory Group meeting next week to discuss next steps. Please contact Tracey Chavira for more information at 213-624-1213.

## CCA IN THE NEWS

"Mixed Use Developments Let Area Residents, Businesses Live Side By Side"

**Side"** Feb 4, *Los Angeles Business Journal*, Op-Ed by Carol Schatz.

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