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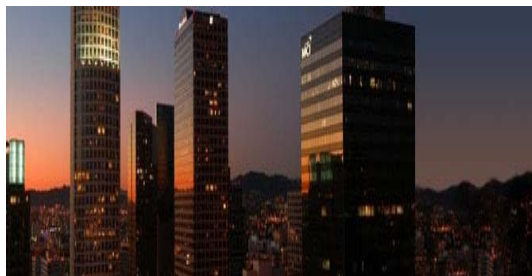
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CCA Opposes Final Industrial Land Use Recommendations

The Planning Department and Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) released final industrial land use recommendations to guide future industrial land development in Downtown L.A., Hollywood, and West L.A. The two departments scheduled community meetings to answer questions about the recommendations before making final presentations to the Planning Commission and CRA Board on January 10th and January 17th, respectively.

CCA's President & CEO **Carol Schatz** joined numerous stakeholders, **Councilwoman Jan Perry**, and **Jessica Wethington McLean** from **Councilman Jose Huizar's** office at the Downtown community meeting on January 3rd to express concern over the limited stakeholder process and strong opposition to the recommendations, which preserve the vast majority of industrial land in Downtown L.A. for industrial uses only. Schatz asked that the Departments not move forward with the recommendations until stakeholders have had the opportunity to fully review and comment on the proposal. It is CCA's understanding that the Planning Department and CRA intend to fully implement this proposal without going through City Council or taking formal action.

This study comes more than one year after the Planning Department and CRA released preliminary industrial land use recommendations, which also met strong community opposition. CCA responded in February 2007 with an economic impact study outlining the negative effects of preserving Downtown's industrial land for industrial use only, as opposed to instituting a more flexible policy that would create both jobs and housing. Despite this study and numerous stakeholder comments, few changes have been made to the recommendations over the past year.

CCA would like your input as we prepare for the Planning Commission hearing on January 10th. For more information, please contact CCA's Director of Public Policy, Catherine Leland, at 213-624-1213.

STAFF BRIEFS

• City Council's Education & Neighborhoods Committee is scheduled to discuss a proposal that would allow neighborhood councils to open council files at its next meeting, on January 8th. CCA's Vice President of Legislative Affairs, Veronica Perez Becker, testified in opposition to this proposal before the Committee last month, expressing concern that the proposal would make it more difficult to do business in Los Angeles. The upcoming hearing on this matter will take place on Tuesday, January 8th at 8:45 a.m. in City Hall, Room 1060. For more information, please contact CCA's Director of Public Policy, Catherine Leland at 213-624-1213.

CCA IN THE NEWS

"We're not saying that anyone should get to develop anything they want," said Carol Schatz, president of the Central City Assn., which represents many downtown developers. "But there are areas here that aren't attracting any interest' from manufacturing 'and the city is making it difficult to get anything worthy built there.'" Jan. 4, *L.A. Times*, "L.A. Limits Rezoning of industrial land Downtown," by Steve Hyman.

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JANUARY 29th
TRANSPORTATION &
INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE
Special Guest: LADOT General
Manager, Rita Robinson

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