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CORRESPONDENCE

For the Meeting of: February 5, 2019

Item Number: 24

24. Third Party Appeal: 601 Capitol Mall (P18-054) (Noticed on 01/25/2019)

File ID: 2018-01771

Location: 601 Capitol Mall, APN 006-0151-020, District 4

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion adopt: 1) a

Resolution exempting the project from CEQA (pursuant to Public Resources Code 21155.4); and 2) a **Resolution** approving a tentative map for condominium ownership, site plan and design review of an eight-story mixed-use building with deviations, and tree permit to remove a protected tree, thereby denying the third-party appeal.

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Subject: You CAN build 601 Capitol Mall to 21+ stories - without steel - new international building codes JUST approved).

Hello, Sacramento City Council, Steve Hanson (my councilperson), and all friends of Sacramento:

I am writing about the upcoming (Tuesday Feb 5th 5pm) meeting where you will be addressing [the 601 Capitol Mall project](#).

As our City Council, we vote you in and trust you **to protect the Sacramento 50 years out, 100 years out...** - to ensure a beautiful, functioning, future **city that works for all of us** - we NEED YOU to be able to **see beyond quick fixes** and shiny promises for "right now!"

The builder's #1 reason - as to why he can't make it taller than 4-8 stories or include lower income housing - is that steel is too expensive. **Good news: he no longer needs steel.** The International Building Code [was JUST changed](#) to allow **mass timber** to be used for buildings that go up to 18 stories (at a fraction of steel's cost! [Read more about it.](#)). Now, the builder can afford to build a tall building to house Sacramento's rapidly increasing numbers of residents, including single folks from the Bay, working class folks keeping downtown/midtown running, and seniors/other lower income and housing-insecure residents. :) **Also, why stop at 18 stories?** This city desperately needs housing! Just two days ago, the [city of Milwaukee advanced a proposal for a 21-story building](#): 15 stories of mass timber on top of a concrete base.

With your decision on 601 Capitol, you have an awesome opportunity to get Sacramento's future right. Think: mega-sprawling cities all over the globe are wishing they had not let developers build short buildings downtown when they were "on their way up."

This is is a true defining point for the city. It's your opportunity to position **Sacramento** as leading the way forward as **a model city for solving the housing crisis!**

See you Tuesday,

Emily Howe

Management Consultant, Homeowner, Voter
Sacramento, Boulevard Park

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January 23, 2019

Mayor Darrell Steinberg
City of Sacramento
915 I Street
Sacramento, Ca 95814

Re: 601 Capitol Mall Project - SUPPORT

Dear Mayor Steinberg:

I am the owner and operator of Foundation Restaurant & Bar located at 400 L Street. My partner and I have been in this industry and specifically downtown for nearly 15-years. We are thrilled to see the news that a housing project is proposed for 601 Capitol Mall and we hope that you will support this project.

While we have certainly benefited from the construction of the Golden One Center, we need more activity downtown. If there are no games or shows at the arena, the streets tend to be desolate. We feel strongly that bringing residents to downtown will benefit not just us but all the new retail shops and restaurants that are opening in Downtown Commons.

Additionally, construction of these luxury apartments will provide more activity, lighting and eyes on the street which creates an inviting and safe place to walk, shop and dine.

We respectfully ask for your support on this project.

Thank you,



Kristine White
Owner/Operator
Foundation Restaurant & Bar