

To the Inglewood Planning Commission,

6/10/20

My family received your notice today of the public hearing scheduled for June 17, 2020 to consider the matters associated with the IBEC. We were troubled to see that this public event, by definition, was being held in the middle of a pandemic. So many other venues of greater public importance within our city, state and federal government are still closed and/or highly curtailed, yet this “business proposal” rubber stamping between a private corporation and the city must continue at the risk of all the attendees, who may or may not come due to the risk to their personal health. It has a calculated feeling.

My father an architect, city planner and retired LA county commissioner along with myself built the building standing on 3838 W. 102 st. over 30 years ago. Our business and temple were both situated there for decades. We have been part of the Inglewood community and invested there long before it was fashionable. My father is 87 years old an amputee with multiple underlying health issues and by doctors orders has not left his house in months, nor can he while the pandemic continues. He feels strongly about making his case in person as his right.

Our unsolicited experience with Murphy’s Bowl LLC and their agents has not been positive. They have been opportunistic at the least if not deceptive. The city should not give any unfair advantage to a private business just because they have deeper pockets than a smaller business. Our building has been redlined within Murphy’s Bowls plans to expand their business and profits. We are presumed out of the picture, without even asking. How exactly do they plan on building their business over us? This is not a city project, it is a private business trying to build their empire at our expense.

1) Please provide us with the plans on how our building will be incorporated in this project prior to the public hearing so we have reasonable time to review and respond.

2) Please provide contact information for the Mayor of Inglewood, our Councilperson and all others in charge of this project.

Please confirm receipt of this email via reply.

Respectfully,

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