

Re No. 2018021056

Dear Sir or Madam,

If I were a teacher, I would mark the AB987 application for the Inglewood Basketball and Entertainment Center as INCOMPLETE.

I was surprised to see how little information is included in the application. What will it look like? How large will it be? Is it 500,000 square feet or 2 million square feet? How tall is it? How many cars can park there? How much lighting will it create? How much greenhouse gas will it generate? How will the noise be handled? How do we know it will be environmentally friendly? The answer to all of these questions is: we don't know! Certainly no one from the community knows.

I am not an expert, but I can tell that the Clippers have provided an incomplete application. Not only that, the team refuses to speak with the community. They have not shared the information that we deserve to have. Please do not approve this application until the Clippers share a lot more information about their plans. We need time to study a complete application.

Thank you.

Anthony J. Kelly



Dear sir or madam,

I am very disappointed by the Clippers' plan to build a new basketball arena, labeled on the Office of Planning and Research website as "2018021056 - Inglewood Basketball and Entertainment Center."

They are not providing any new long-term jobs. One of the basic things we were told in the law is that the project creates new high wage, highly skilled jobs that pay a living wage. These are intended to be permanent jobs that help support our families and healthy communities.

However, it is clear that the Clippers will not create "new" jobs for our community or really for anyone. They will just move jobs that already exist from the Staples Center to Inglewood. These are part-time jobs for ushers, concession workers, ticket takers, cleaning people and other roles. These are low-paying jobs that do not meet the standard of being high wage or highly skilled. Mr. Ballmer earns more in one day than I can earn in a year selling popcorn at Mr. Ballmer's arena or carrying bags in his hotel or sweeping the floors in his buildings.

I believe this project has been sold to the public under a set of lies. There are no real jobs paying real wages to support families. Please turn down this application and say no to the arena project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "L. Ballmer" or similar, written over a horizontal line.

To whom it may concern,

Anyone who has spent serious time in Inglewood knows how the streets here get jammed with thousands of cars. Traffic when the Forum has a big concert is awful. Imagine what it will be when the Forum has a concert and the Rams and Chargers are playing. And the whole Hollywood Park project is built. And that is before the Clippers big project is built. It will be full stop traffic. I can only imagine what the impact will be of a new 18,000 seat sports arena and the thousands of new cars it will add to our community. To put it simply, it will be more than Inglewood can bear. For this reason, I ask you to reject application 2018021056 for the Inglewood Basketball and Entertainment Center.

The Clippers like to say that public transit will help reduce the impact of additional traffic, but the Clippers and city representatives admitted many times that the near train station is still far away. The idea of putting thousands of people on buses to get them to the arena is stupid, especially when you think about the Forum and the new NFL stadium and all the traffic it will create. Imagine trying to get on a bus from the rail lines a mile or more away when the streets are already jam packed. The city itself already admits that traffic is a mess.

And who is going to drive all that way to the train, get on the train to come to Inglewood, then get on a bus to get to the new arena? That is a fantasy. Downtown had hundreds of thousands of people working nearby and tens of thousands of apartments and condos. And all kinds of transit. Inglewood has none of that. There is no real transit plan. This is all pretend so a really rich man can get what he wants.

The details of the Clippers transportation program are missing and there is no way to make sure they will even do it. The team is creating a major problem for our community and doing very little to solve it. Please say no to this application and this project.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenneth M. Warwick". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Hello,

I am opposed to the Clippers arena project, listed as No. 2018021056, and believe their request for streamlining should be denied. It doesn't seem to me that the Clippers are trying to mitigate the impacts that a massive project will have on the city of Inglewood and on our neighborhood.

The application makes some promises for reducing local emissions, but only the bare minimum. This means much less in the way of economic, employment and health benefits for Inglewood.

The Clippers could have made a real commitment to our community. They chose not to. You can now make it happen. Make them go back and start over. Make them work with the community, then come back with a real application.

Please deny their application until the Clippers offer something better to for our community.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Lynn".

Good day,

I am submitting this comment as a concerned member of the public. I oppose the "Inglewood Basketball and Entertainment Center" (#2018021056) and think the application should be denied by the Governor's Office of Planning and Research.

It does not seem to me that the Clippers are prioritizing the needs of Inglewood in their application. They are trying to get away with reducing greenhouse gas emissions outside of Inglewood instead of reducing them in the community of Inglewood and in our neighborhood. They are doing the absolute least they can, which offends me since this project will have a very damaging impact on our environment in terms of air quality as well as noise, traffic and more. Can you please think about all the cars spewing emissions in our community? What are the real impacts to our children and our older people?

I do not think the Clippers should be rewarded for taking the cheap way out. The Governor needs to demand the Clippers do more to reduce greenhouse gas emissions here in the community before their application for streamlining is approved. And how about involving us. Everyone promises to involve the community but we are the last to be involved. No one has talked to us. We have no idea what this project is. No idea how big it is. No idea how many cars are coming. It is wrong for the Clippers to put in an application to get it done faster when they have ignored the community.

Thank you.

Ahalya Bey
LA South Chamber of Commerce

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