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On December 13, 2007, the City Planning Commission considered an appeal of case ~~ZA-2005-6616~~ (ZV)(ZAA)(ZAD)(SPR) as well as an appeal of the related subdivision case (Vesting Tentative Tract No. 63403) for a project located at 695 Santa Fe Avenue in downtown Los Angeles.

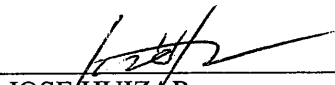
The project features an award-winning design for 180 live-work units and 5,000 square feet of commercial/ retail which would provide amenities to the Arts District. It will incorporate numerous environment-friendly LEED elements, will offer nearly double the required open space, and will be the first project in this area to provide a set aside for on-site affordable housing. It will also help build a gateway between the Arts District and the Los Angeles River (in concert with the Los Angeles River Master Plan concept) to develop 7th Street as a regional connector between the surrounding neighborhood and the L.A. River.

The proposed project has widespread community and council district support, but because the necessary number of votes to carry a motion were not attained at the City Planning Commission, the underlying project denial by the Zoning Administrator has been deemed the decision of the Commission.

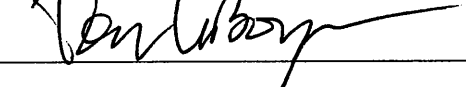
I THEREFORE MOVE that, pursuant to Charter Section 245, the City Council take the necessary steps to assert jurisdiction over the Dec. 13, 2007 action of the City Planning Commission on Case No. ZA 2005-6616 (ZV)(ZAA)(ZAD)(SPR)-1A.

I FURTHER MOVE that upon assertion of jurisdiction by the City Council, that this matter be referred to the Planning and Land Use Management Committee.

PRESENTED BY


JOSE HUIZAR
Councilmember, 14th District

SECONDED BY



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