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Name: Adry Furchtgott

Address: Pasadena, CA 91103

Comments:

As both a resident of & worker in this city I feel a need to voice my disagreement with using this building as a hotel. Especially with the possible lease lengths cited & city subsidies for HRI. After years or residents fighting hotel projects at this site & championing the need for affordable housing and/or shelter space we're right back to square one? Very disappointing & really missing the mark with this choice.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes

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Name: Jonathan Thomas Address: Pasadena, CA 91104

Comments:

Please do not allow race huckster John Kennedy to harass this developer.

In California, our Constitution states that government entities "shall not discriminate against, or grant preferential treatment to, any individual or group on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the operation of public employment, public education, or public contracting." (Cal. Const. Article 1, Section 31.)

Note the use of the phrase "preferential treatment" which courts have held to mean to give "priority or advantage to one person...over others."

It is disgraceful that this City Council often allows John Kennedy to bully and harass businesses and groups that appear before the Council if those businesses or groups do not have the racial, sexual or ethnic composition Kennedy personally favors. It is especially disgraceful that Kennedy is allowed to harass groups of local volunteers.

The people of Pasadena have elected a very diverse City Council. Residents do not need diversity lectures from a race huckster.

John Kennedy should be ruled out of order every time he illegally violates the Constitution by attempting to create preferential treatment for groups of people he personally favors.

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Comments:

As a benchmark, the Goals and Objectives for the preservation and restoration of the YWCA have significantly evolved from those in the 2012 Original YWCA RFP which specifically stated for the project: (a) no subsidies; (b) significant additional parking in the Civic Center, and (c) a market value lease or sale of the Y to recapture public dollars spent to acquire the Y. Today's recommended project negotiation parameters are diametrically opposed to the original intent of the Y rehabilitation project.

On the process:

- Provide the public with the rationale for selecting the recommended developer in terms of ranking of the two proposals re: selection criteria, priority weighting and scoring.
- Provide to the public the entire proposed ENA (less proprietary information) as was the case for City development ENAs for 20 years.

On the ENA:

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- The criteria and the process for choosing prominent historic preservation architect(s) and landscape architect(s) must be set forth in the ENA. The is critical for the restoration of the Y and for achieving a compatible design of the proposed new dominant building in the nationally recognized Beaux Arts Pasadena Civic Center.
- Set forth the goals and criteria against which project financial feasibility will be evaluated.

Consent given to read my comments out loud: Yes