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**From:** myvoice@oneclickpolitics.com  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 4, 2026 9:05 PM  
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Re: Please Preserve Pasadena's Historic Neighborhood Transitions

Mr. Mark Jomsky,

I urge you to support the proposed SB 79 Delay Effectuation Ordinance and continue pursuing TODAP planning before blanket statewide standards take effect throughout Pasadena.

The City's own maps show that Pasadena's transit zones extend deeply into established residential and historic neighborhoods. Areas surrounding Fillmore Station especially overlap with landmarked homes, historic streets, rent-controlled housing, and long-established neighborhood fabric.

Larger-scale growth should be focused in appropriate commercial and higher-intensity corridors — not pushed deeper into established residential and historic neighborhoods without a clear plan for where that growth belongs.

The Planning Department reports also make clear that Pasadena is still actively studying TODAP and evaluating how density could be shifted within TOD areas while still complying with state law.

That planning work deserves time.

Please preserve every remaining planning tool still legally available to Pasadena and continue protecting the neighborhood character and transitions that make our city unique.

Sincerely,  
Beverly Ashley

Pasadena , CA 91107


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**From:** Joanne Xian <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>  
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Mayor and Councilmembers,

I'm writing to ask you to allow SB 79 to take effect in single-family and low-density zones near the Del Mar, Memorial Park, and Lake A-line stations.

We need more housing in Pasadena. While LA County as a whole has seen rent decreases, Pasadena's rent has increased 5.8% to a median of \$2,823. These costs harm working families by putting them at risk of displacement or homelessness, especially in this time of rising inflation and lower federal support. SB 79 projects have to follow local affordability requirements, so every deferral we pursue is a missed opportunity to build urgently needed affordable housing in our city.

Deferring large areas of our most transit-accessible neighborhoods until 2031 would not only put our affordability goals at risk, it would betray our General Plan goal for Pasadena to be a "city where people can circulate without cars." We need housing near transit for affordable, walkable, low-carbon neighborhoods.

Please reconsider this course and work with city staff on a full alternative plan that protects historic resources while allowing the housing growth our city needs to be affordable to all.

I visit Pasadena all the time with my kids and their grandparents  
, housing is essential for the livelihood of the city.

Joanne Xian


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**From:** tom boat <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>  
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Mayor and Councilmembers,

I'm a 30 year resident of Pasadena and I live walking distance to the Sierra Madre Villa station. The young people I know who grew up in Pasadena are still living at home as young adults because housing has become unaffordable for most people. We have a severe housing shortage and we need to build more housing to give our young people a chance to have their own place to live and transit orientated developments are a smart way to do it. This is why I fully support the intent of SB79 to build higher density apartment buildings near our metro stations.

tom boat

Pasadena, California 91107

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**From:** Jessica Richards <noreply@adv.actionnetwork.org>  
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M Public Comment,

I urge Pasadena City Council to put safety over surveillance and cut ties with Flock.

Flock's indiscriminate surveillance is in conflict with constitutional protections and numerous civil liberties groups such as the ACLU and the Electronic Frontier Foundation arguing that the technology infringes on Americans' right to privacy under the Fourth Amendment. Despite repeated attempts from Flock to reform their system, it is apparent ALPR is problematic, insecure and can have devastating consequences for innocent individuals. Academics, researchers and experts overwhelmingly agree that there's a lack of evidence linking flock to crime reduction rates.

There is overwhelming evidence of abuse and misuse of ALPR systems across the country - and Pasadena's ALPR systems are no exception. Pasadena was notified that it was sharing ALPR information across the country, the city lacked ALPR data retention restrictions, and many residents have expressed privacy concerns over the years. Despite this, Pasadena Police says Flock is a "useful tool" - yes, it is useful in diverting resources that would otherwise go towards community oriented public safety solutions that don't infringe on our civil liberties.

Pasadena should join dozens of cities across the country who have ended their contracts with Flock, removed cameras and rejected any ALPR replacements such as Los Altos Hills, Mountain View, Santa Clara County, Santa Cruz, and others.

Pasadena, choose your constituents. Restore trust, restore accountability and uphold our constitutional rights. End all ties with Flock now.

Jessica Richards

Pasadena , California 91104

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May 29, 2026

Pasadena City Council and Mayor Gordo  
100 North Garfield Avenue  
Pasadena, CA 91101

Re: June 8 action item related to SB 79

Dear Honorable Mayor Gordo and Pasadena City Council,

The Madison Heights Neighborhood Association, representing over 1,500 residents, hopes you will pass the proposed Uncodified Delayed Effectuation Ordinance regarding SB 79. We are aware of the potential pros and cons, including for our own neighborhood near Fillmore Station which would not be subject to the delay, but in the aggregate, we feel this is the best course for the city overall. We care deeply about the entire city.

Also, while we understand that further pleas to Sacramento are likely to fall on deaf ears, we nonetheless urge the City to continue – both formally and informally – pressing our state representatives to make two targeted amendments to SB 79 that are essential for protecting the historic resources our state so values:

1. Eliminate the arbitrary pre-2025 cutoff date for historic designation protections. This does not make sense if we still value historic resources and the unique character they give our city and state.
2. Eliminate the 10% cap for historic resource protections within a transit area, which could force Pasadena and other cities into the impossible position of having to decide which historic resources are worthy of protection and which are not.

These changes should not be an impediment to dramatically increasing housing with a focus on transit-oriented development. These goals and values are not mutually exclusive. Pasadena has been a leader in showing we can – and should – keep increasing housing to resolve the severe housing crisis, and keep protecting our valued and limited historic resources. The fact that the State approved our well-crafted Housing Element just three years ago proves Sacramento agrees it can be done.

Please keep trying to help Sacramento understand this.

Thank you and best regards,

John Latta  
President, MHNA

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