

BCA LETTER OF OPPOSITION OF HOTEL

Dear Mayor Garcetti, City Councilmembers, Director Bertoni, and City Planner Jason McCrea:

I strongly oppose amending our city's General Plan and changing our zoning designation from a Very Low Residential I and II designation in the Hillsides, to a Commercial Zoning designation, in this case known as "Spot Zoning". It is completely out of character and over-reaching for an area that is designated for Single Family Residences in purely residential zoned neighborhoods, to allow a hotel to be built in the middle of Benedict Canyon.

I stand with Councilmember Paul Koretz in his clear objection to this proposed project that will set a dangerous and permanent precedent, creating a template to convert natural hillsides and residential areas in these hillsides to commercial uses. The outrageous proposal of the General Plan Amendment and Zone change would have an irreversible impact on the community, character of the neighborhoods and the destruction of the environment itself.

This hotel, with its years of construction, construction noise, grading, commercial usage and around the clock events would have extraordinary environmental impacts, such as, the devastation of wildlife corridors and wildlife itself, removal of protected trees, and traffic congestion around the clock on a canyon roadway that is already severely impacted by the traffic it already sustains from early morning through late night.

I do not support the destruction of our neighborhoods, our canyons and the Santa Monica Mountains.

Respectfully,

[add your name]

[add your address]

[add your own thoughts and concerns]