



Downtown Community Planning Council San Diego

May 22, 2019

Re: CIVIC San Diego Settlement Impact on DCPC and Desire to Continue Reviewing All Projects Going Forward

Dear Mayor Faulconer, City Council Members, Development Services Department and Planning Commission,

I am writing on behalf of the Downtown Community Planning Council (DCPC). At our regular meeting on May 15, 2019 our board is requesting the following amendment for the purpose of maintaining DCPC's role in guiding and shaping the development of downtown San Diego by continuing to receive all of the same projects that have traditionally come before DCPC for review and advisory comments.

Amendment:

All proposed construction projects in the downtown area that have more than 50 dwelling units, or are over 85 feet tall, or are greater than 100,000 square feet in area must present their plans and drawings to the Downtown Community Planning Council for purposes of review and recommendation.

Additional concerns:

The DCPC should continue to receive reports, attendance, and presentations at our meetings from DSD staff and applicants to facilitate the DCPC's role in providing appropriate representation and community input on projects of city-wide significance. The size, scale and complexity of the downtown projects require a level of experience and sophistication of review unlike most in San Diego. Regular and reliable professional staff assistance to the DCPC and the downtown community at large should remain a key component of staff services and the review process.

Regards,

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DCPC Chair