

**Zero Parking Plan
What Are They Thinking?**

It was just last month that we relayed Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky's comments that developers are running the City. More proof just appeared.

As reported by the L.A. Weekly ("Take This Car and Shove It" by Steven Morris) under a new proposal, developers could petition the City to eliminate the requirement to construct ANY parking at residential buildings.

The theory (other than saving developers millions on building parking) is that if there is nowhere to park, people will not use their cars (or even have them?). Instead, they will walk, bike and use public transportation - exclusively.

The L.A. Weekly article states: "If approved by the 15-member City Council and signed by Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, the so-called Parking Reduction Amendment, would let developers erect high-density dwellings and not build a single parking space as long as [zoning administrator] LoGrande feels residents have enough access to bicycle racks, van pools, bus stops or other "alternatives" to their cars.

As you read this, remember Supervisor Yaroslavsky's remarks from last month:

- "Planning is not being done by the city but by the developer interests."
- In LA, "The development community believes they can get anything they want."
- "There is no quantity control out of City Hall today."

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**Jack Weiss Accuses Himself of
"Municipal Malpractice"**

Not really, but Jack Weiss did make a remarkable assertion on KCRW. He said that the use of patchwork traffic mitigations and a failure to have a transportation master plan was "municipal malpractice."

When asked by Warren Olney if his approvals of huge projects was a problem, Weiss stated that he always makes sure projects have traffic mitigations. Of course, he failed to say that the "mitigations" he secured (which were actually secured by homeowner associations) are precisely the type of patchwork mitigations he had criticized seconds before.

He then proceeded to say that he supports "housing projects" in Century City because the City has a housing shortage. What he failed to disclose was that the "housing projects" he was referring to are multi-million dollar condominiums in luxury high-rise buildings - hardly "housing projects."

Weiss was touting his proposal to have a plan to study a transportation master plan. This brings to mind the Annie Hall line "Right now it's only a notion, but I think I can get money to make it into a concept ... and later turn it into an idea."

There have been plans for studies before. A 1975 DOT traffic study stated: "... it is recommended that further intensification of land use in Century City and the surrounding area be halted..." It wasn't halted.

A past study titled "The Los Angeles Traffic and Transit Problem" stated "The Los Angeles traffic and transit problem has become so acute that one cannot enter the downtown district or drive on a major thoroughfare without wondering "Why doesn't someone do something?"

The report's date? 1947.

Recall of Jack Weiss

The Committee to Recall Jack Weiss, which started collecting signatures on June 18th 2007, reported that it had received 10,000 signatures as of August 15th. The recall effort needs approximately 23,000 signatures to get on the ballot.

The 10,000 signatures received to date in support of the recall represents more than a third of the number Jack Weiss received in his last election.

The recall effort can be located on the web at www.RecallJackWeiss.Com. Jack Weiss's office can be reached at www.lacity.org/cd5

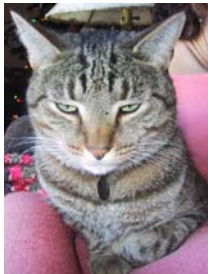
Bellwood Project Presented

The developers of the Bellwood project visited a well-attended August Tract No. 7260 board meeting and presented their new plans for the Bellwood development.

Briefly, the plan would call for 158 high-end multi-bedroom condominiums in several 4-5 story buildings. They would replace 113 primarily bachelor apartments in 1-2 story buildings.

Of primary concern to those in attendance was the loss of views and privacy which would result from the 45 foot high buildings and the impact on safety and through traffic on Olympic. Full information at www.Tract7260.Org.

Lost Cat on Ilona



Rascal has been missing since Sunday, August 19th. If you have seen this people-friendly gray tabby, who should be wearing a collar and name tag, please call at 310-553-5272 or 310-922-0758.

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