

Following are some of our questions and concerns which we hope you might address:

- 1) This project was never brought to the community. We know of no public notice, no outreach nor invitation for input having been conducted.
- 2) This is an iconic, historic structure. We do not believe any review of its historic, cultural nor architectural merit has been conducted.
- 3) We believe that the building is owned by the City of Los Angeles and maintained by the County. We have not seen any feasibility studies, no evaluation of what repairs the tower needs, of the costs and for what uses.
- 4) It is one of the few government owned buildings in Venice, of which there is great need.
- 5) This is the only lookout tower and provides an outstanding view of the Santa Monica Bay.
- 6) If the tower is demolished, it will leave Venice Beach with a nondescript eyesore, in lieu of the architecturally renowned existing structure.
- 7) If the tower cannot be utilized for lifeguards, it has been suggested that it would make a fabulous site for a lifeguard or ocean ecology museum (both have been seeking sites and both have private, not for profit funding). Other organizations and government entities also seek offices in Venice which the tower could readily accommodate.
- 8) If demolished, this iconic tower will never be replaced.
- 9) I see that the CDP is contingent upon its factual basis being accurate. In that it seems to be incomplete regarding the above matters, can it be reversed, pending further analysis?