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To: Amanda Acuna; Public Comment
Subject: Public Comment - Normandie Crossing Specific Plan Project
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To Members of the City of Gardena Planning Commission:

With regards to the proposed Normandie Crossing Specific Plan Project, the new height and density of the proposed apartment complex and townhomes is still out of character and inconsistent with existing single-family homes, condominiums/townhomes, and apartments in the surrounding area. Furthermore, I would like to bring to your attention an often overlooked, but critically important environmental impact issue that has **NOT** been addressed in the original and final versions of the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for this project.

I am particularly concerned about possibly living within the shadow of such tall buildings situated so close to my single-story residence as to block my direct, line-of-sight access to TV and radio signals broadcasted from the over-the-air transmitters located on Mt. Wilson. I request that the EIR include an impact study on the potential for **communications interference** for the affected residents around (and even within) the proposed development site. It should address all forms of electronic transmissions and communications channels that could be disrupted: TV, radio, cellular, microwave, satellite, shortwave RF, etc. In addition to preserving the signal quality for affected residents and businesses, it is vital that police, fire, medical, and disaster relief teams are able to maintain clear access to their communications links around and within the project site area as well.

Here are just a few examples of articles available online regarding this environmental impact issue:
<https://www.pagerpower.com/news/building-development-terrestrial-satellite-television-reception-interference/>
<https://support.tablotv.com/hc/en-us/articles/13986352427028-Sources-of-Obstructions-and-Interference-for-Antenna-TV>
https://www.ofcom.org.uk/siteassets/resources/documents/manage-your-licence/fixed-links/tall_structures.pdf?v=333938
<https://www.saferbuildings.org/public-safety-primer>

TV reception assessments:

<https://www.pagerpower.com/news/happens-television-reception-survey/>
<https://bregroup.com/services/testing-inspection-certification/outdoor-environment/tv-reception>

In conclusion, I am strongly opposed to the Normandie Crossing Specific Plan as currently drafted and urge you to consider a recommendation for the developer to further scale down the height and density of this new construction to be more aligned with existing residential structures in the neighboring area and to eliminate any issues regarding communications interference.

Thank you,
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