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Maria Stewart (maria.stewart@smgov.net)
City Clerk (Room 200)
City of Santa Monica
1685 Main Street
Santa Monica, CA 90401

RE: SMCLC Request for RIFT Ballot Description and Letter

Dear Ms. Stewart:

The Santa Monica Coalition for a Livable City ("SMCLC") and the other initiative proponents (Ted Winterer/OPA and Elizabeth Riel/NOMA) request that you adopt this language from the City's Attorney's description of RIFT for the ballot description, turning it into a question:

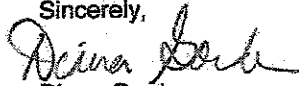
"Shall the Land Use Element of the Santa Monica General Plan be amended to limit commercial development in Santa Monica for the purpose of addressing traffic congestion?"

We object to and therefore have eliminated the word "stated" from the phrase "stated purpose of addressing traffic congestion" in the original sentence. Putting the word "stated" in is intended to undermine and bias it in a way that is not called for.

As to the letter for the measure, we request that you ask the County clerk for the letter "T". Alternatively, if "T" is not available, we would request "R."

Thank you.

Sincerely,


Diana Gordon
Co-Chair, For SMCLC



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