Supplemental Communications (3)

(The following are communications received after **5pm on September 1**- a day before the meeting.)

September 1, 2020

Members of Planning Commission City of Berkeley

For: Inclusion in Planning Commission Packet for Meeting of September 2, 2020

Re: Initial Study of Proposed Amendments to the Southside Zoning Ordinance

Dear Members of the Commission:

The Le Conte Neighborhood Association urges the Planning Commission to postpone consideration of this CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) process for the Southside Zoning Ordinance.

The conditions with respect to housing in the City of Berkeley, and particularly in the area directly south of the UC Campus have changed dramatically since March 15th, 2020. Therefore, the assumptions and "Project Objectives" (see Initial Study, Item #7, p. 12) would appear no longer to be applicable at this time.

As a neighborhood area in the Southside, currently experiencing unprecedented vacancies in the exiting rental housing stock, we urge the City of Berkeley to reassess this entire effort.

Sincerely,

Gianna Ranuzzi

President, Le Conte Neighborhood Association