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Martha Welborne, Managing Director
Grand Avenue Committee
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RE: Grand Avenue Project – Civic Center Park

Dear Martha:

At our regularly held public meeting on April 14, 2009, the Board of Directors of the Downtown Los Angeles Neighborhood Council (“DLANC”) voted to submit this letter in support of the new schematic design for the Grand Avenue Project’s Civic Center Park, pursuant to the motion passed on March 24, 2009, by DLANC’s Planning & Land Use Committee. DLANC has consistently supported the Grand Avenue Project as a catalyst for revitalizing the civic and cultural heart of our city.

In particular, DLANC believes that the new schematic design was significantly improved in response to community comments on the initial design. These improvements included the addition of new event/performance lawns, approximately two more acres of greenery, and new amenities targeted to families and children. Each of these changes demonstrates the Project’s commitment to work with the Downtown community to shape the Park to best suit the evolving population of Downtown’s workers, residents and visitors.

We also commend the Committee for working with Downtown stakeholders, including the Historic Downtown Business Improvement District, the Central City Association, and Downtown ArtWalk, to increase outreach for the Civic Center Park. Finally, DLANC appreciates the efforts by the developer and each of the government agencies to continue moving forward on this Project, as a critical element of a renewed and vibrant Downtown. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

J. Russell Brown
DLANC President

CC: Councilmember Jan Perry/Greg Fischer (Los Angeles City Council District 9)
Supervisor Gloria Molina (Los Angeles County – 1st District)
Cecilia Estolano (Community Redevelopment Agency of Los Angeles)
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