

**CARSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
RESPONSES TO WRITTEN OBJECTIONS**

to our security cameras in their attempts to identify individuals who may have been involved in criminal activities.

Recycling significantly improves the environment, conserves natural resources and energy, and provides green jobs; however, the nature of the work remains industrial and becomes a target for redevelopment agencies. The principals of Corridor Recycling have been prominent in the recycling industry for over 40 years and have experienced first-hand the affects of redevelopment and condemnation.

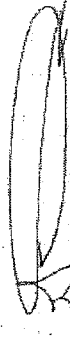
2. When cities and redevelopment agencies are provided with eminent domain abilities, industrial operations like those of Corridor Recycling become targets. In fact, we believe that recycling operations are already targeted as the blight map used to justify the need for redevelopment activities in the Report to Council calls out operations in our neighborhood as blighted. The City currently has the power of the CUP to ensure our operations are within the parameters of zoning requirements. The threat of eminent domain is just that, a threat to prevent us from operating simply because you don't like what we do.

3. One of our keystones in business has been the idea that if you own the property, you control the business. We therefore work hard to ensure we own the property where we operate. We own the property in Carson; however, if you grant the redevelopment agency the power of eminent domain, the agency controls our property and therefore our business.

4. Corridor Recycling intends to remain in Carson for decades to come; however, we need your help. Corridor Recycling requests that you not include the ability to enact eminent domain in your consolidation of the redevelopment project areas.

As this letter is not meant as an exhaustive expression of Corridor Recycling, Inc.'s concerns, I welcome the opportunity to discuss this further with you. I can be reached at (310) 835-9108.

Sincerely,



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General Manager/Owner

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Councilmember Luia Davis-Holmes
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2. The 2010 Amendment has no authority to change or modify the City's zoning requirements. Mr. Dodson states the Agency could use eminent domain authority simple because the City does not like what Corridor Recycling does. The Agency would not be allowed under State law to acquire this property via eminent domain authority because the City did not like the use of the property. Rather, eminent domain would be utilized only as a last resort to address significant blighting conditions. It is not the intent to target any particular use including recycling or other industrial uses.

3. Mr. Dodson claims that if the Agency is allowed to extend eminent domain authority, the Agency would control the property and therefore the business. Extending the Agency's eminent domain authority would not grant the Agency any zoning, business licensing, or other control over any property. Rather, it would provide the Agency with a continuing tool to facilitate addressing adverse conditions within the Existing Project Areas.

4. Mr. Dodson requests the Agency not include eminent domain authority in the 2010 Amendment, but does not give specific reasons. Section 33333.2(a)(4) of the CRL expressly grants the Agency the legal authority to extend or reestablish its eminent domain authority for a period of twelve additional years if significant blight remains and this blight cannot be eliminated without the use of eminent domain. The Agency's Report to Council, dated July 20, 2010, documents that blight does remain in the Existing Project Areas, and eminent domain may be necessary in the future to help acquire and consolidate parcels to eliminate these blighting conditions.

Finding

Based on the information contained in the above response, the testimony received at the public hearing, and other evidence contained in the record before the City Council, the City Council hereby finds that the objection is without merit and overruled.

