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Subject: GPU Subcommittee- last day to submit information?

Thank you for your timely and thoughtful response.

Another procedural difficulty that I anticipate is the 3 minute rule for speakers. I understand, generally, the need to reasonably limit public comment. The difficulty for those of us that understand the complexity of urban systems, and attempting to find a way to communicate a path through such systems, is that it takes time to make a point. Three minute limits make that ever more difficult. The alternative, submitting explanations in writing, takes us back to the point I raised in the last email. I suspect that the information we intend to present to staff on Monday will illustrate this point.

Usually, we would handle these deficiencies through private meetings with Subcommittee members, but staff has the members believing that such meetings would be inappropriate and members have refused them. It's a kind of triple bind.

By the way, I would encourage a discussion about the role of the Subcommittee in the very near term. I think that staff has a unique and constrained view of its role.

One alternative is set up a secondary process, not under the aegis of the city, to inform the public and any attending Subcommittee members to presentations of the data otherwise denied them by the process. I think that you would agree that this is a decidedly inferior way to conduct the process.

I look forward to a "process" discussion in the near term.

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Subject: Re: GPU Subcommittee- last day to submit information?

Hi Tim,

Let me discuss this with staff and get back to you. I need to understand what they are doing. I'm used to a process where the packet is released with any public comment received to date and then any additional comment(s) that comes in is left for them on the dais that evening. We can discuss further Friday and/or Monday with the entire team. I see your point and am certain we can come up with a solution to make sure all voices are heard and everyone has an opportunity to

comment. We just need to make sure the GPUS has enough time to read through the materials and comments without overwhelming them at the last minute.

-Kohar

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I don't think we have scheduled our pre-meeting conversation yet. Please send me some times that work for you, as soon as possible.

I wanted to point out that any correspondence that we want to go out to the GPU Subcommittee has to get to staff just before issuance of with the staff package. Since we won't know what the staff package contains until it issues, any citizen's comments on staff's content would arrive at the Subcommittee the night of the hearing, leaving almost no time for Subcommittee review.

There are any number of easy fixes. At worst, we can handle deliver packages to the members, which I would prefer not to do.

Let me know your thoughts

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Subject: RE: GPU Subcommittee- last day to submit information?

Hi Joshua,

If you would like your public comment letter to be included in the General Plan Subcommittee meeting packet for the Monday, December 17th meeting; then please provide the letter to me no later than noon on Thursday, December 6, 2018.

Thanks,
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Hi Julia,

Could you please let me know when that the last day to submit information to be included in the General Plan Subcommittee's upcoming meeting materials might be?

Thanks so much,
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