



August 1, 2016

Dear Mayor Tornek, City Council Members, Commissioners and Staff:

The Board of West Pasadena Residents Association has voted to take a position on the WYCA/Kimpton Project. Having reviewed the information available to the public, as well as discussing the absence of Kimpton's build and operating expenses withheld from Pasadena's Commissions and residents, we concur that the redesigned preferred Alternative 2A [with 179 to 185 rooms, a new building size of 91,000 Sq/ft. and a 30-40 setback] cannot and should not be evaluated without a thorough explanation describing why the hotel has to be the size it is. Aesthetically the WPRA would prefer a smaller building complex with a deeper setback on Garfield Avenue facing City Hall.

The WPRA advocates that the City Council postpone its vote on the proposed WYCA/Kimpton Hotel Alternative 2A and extend the time for the presentation of additional design options representing a smaller footprint complex further away from the Garfield Avenue sidewalk.

Thank you for considering our point of view.

Respectfully yours,

Kenyon Harbison
President
West Pasadena Residents Association

The WPRA is an all-volunteer organization dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the quality of life in southwest Pasadena. We represent 7,000 households, including 1,000 paid members.