

**From:** [Sean C. Abajian](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 15, 2021 3:55:40 PM

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Sincerely,

Sean Abajian

Tenant of 626 Prospect Ave, South Pasadena &

President, New Prospects Housing LLC (a collective of the tenants of 626 Prospect Ave)

**From:** [maricela guzman](mailto:maricela.guzman)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 15, 2021 4:58:33 PM

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Sincerely,

Maricela Guzman, US Navy Veteran  
Tenant:  
626 Prospect Ave  
South Pasadena, CA

Sent from my iPhone

**From:**  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California Transportation Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Phyllis McFarlane

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [Suzie Abajian](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Sincerely,

Suzie Abajian  
Tenant at 626 Prospect Ave.

**From:** [Mark Gallatin](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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**From:** [David Arnay](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Sincerely,  
DAVID ARNAY

**From:** [Betty Emirhanian](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Sincerely,

Elisabeth Emirhanian

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** [ankinea](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 15, 2021 8:11:49 PM

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Scholars' Circle  
Managing Producer

Keep me away from the wisdom which does not cry, the philosophy which does not laugh and the greatness which does not bow before children \_ Khalil Gibran



**From:** [Martha Smith](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 15, 2021 8:16:21 PM

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Sincerely,  
Martha Smith

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**From:** [Rosemary Lee](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Sincerely,

Dr. Rosemary L. Lee

**From:** [Enoe Teran](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Enoe Teran

**From:** [Javier San Roman](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 15, 2021 8:28:36 PM

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Sincerely,

Javier San Roman

**From:** [Mariam Mgshyan](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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**From:** [Ken Sitz](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Ken Sitz

**From:** [Araxie Jabrayan](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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**From:** [sandra sunshine williams](mailto:sandra.sunshine.williams)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Sincerely,

Sandra Sunshine Williams



**From:** [Genoveva Cortes](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Genoveva G. Cortes

**From:** [Kyoko](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Sincerely,  
Kyoko Bristow

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**From:** [Miguel Zavala](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
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Miguel Zavala, PhD

**From:** [Sua Hernandez](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
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Best regards,

Sua Iris Hernandez  
on behalf of ESCLT

**From:** [Banh Pa](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
**Date:** Tuesday, June 15, 2021 10:34:40 PM

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**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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Dr. Mark Dreskin  
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**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
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**From:** [Diane Lasell](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
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**From:** [Kevin McFarlane](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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**From:** [timothy ivison](mailto:timothy ivison)  
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Tim Ivison  
Harvard GSD Richard Rogers Fellow 2020  
Adjunct Associate Professor, ArtCenter College of Design  
Faculty, Southern California Institute of Architecture

**From:** [Genoveva Cortes](#)  
**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
**Subject:** re: AGAINST approval of sale of 626 Prospect Ave - agenda item #2.4d.(2)  
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**To:** [California Transportation Commission@CATC](mailto:California.Transportation.Commission@CATC)  
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Marysia Wojcik

South Pasadena, Ca 91030

From: [Caltrans Transportation Commission/CTC](#)  
To: [Frank For CTC agenda: Transfer of the Former SR710 Corridor Sales Program to Local Control](#)  
Date: Friday, June 18, 2021 11:53:49 AM  
Attachments: [United Caltrans Tenants](#)

Dear CTC admin, just in case — could you please forward the following message to all commissioners, which should be considered in reference to action item #2.41.(2).  
Best Regards,  
Tim Ivison

Begin forwarded message:

From: timothy ivison  
Date: 9 June 2021 at 14:37:07 GMT-7  
Subject: For CTC agenda: Transfer of the Former SR710 Corridor Sales Program to Local Control



June 9, 2021

Esteemed Commissioners,

We write to you today as Caltrans tenants living in the former State Route 710 corridor, seeking your guidance and leadership on an issue that we believe should be addressed at the June 23/24 CTC meeting.

It has become abundantly clear to tenants in the corridor and to our city and state officials that the former SR710 corridor sales program has failed. Despite a clear legal and regulatory framework, Caltrans has sold only ten out of approximately 460 properties in the last five years – a shockingly low number by any measure. The agency's controversial management of both the corridor and the sales program has led to lawsuits, direct action protests, and now legislative interventions. Meanwhile, a new decade has begun, and tenants are still wondering about the fate of their homes and neighborhoods. At this point, the question is not whether Caltrans can marginally improve their handling of the SR710 sales program, but whether it might be time to consider an entirely new approach.

Caltrans tenants are prepared to discuss a new set of guiding policies that can effectively transfer both the property and the sales program to local control without the need for new legislation or revised Caltrans regulations. We believe that this is the only way to ensure that the process is resolved in a "fair and ethical and fast manner," as Commissioner Lyou put it at the January 28 CTC meeting. Indeed, we take the meeting of the 28th to be a perfect entry point to this conversation. In addition to Commissioner Lyou's comments, we heard Executive Director Weiss openly wonder whether Caltrans is the right department to oversee the sales program. We heard Commissioner Martinez suggest that Caltrans give the properties directly to the cities if a partnership with HCD or General Services can't be worked out. We also heard District 7 Director Tony Tavares say that he "welcomes an exit strategy." An exit strategy is exactly what we would like to discuss.

The former director of District 7, John Bulinski, expressed similar sentiments and we welcomed his interest in working towards a resolution. He went as far as to offer to set up a meeting with tenants, community members, and city representatives following a meeting in Assembly member Holden's office in November 2019 with his staff and community members. Unfortunately, the pandemic hampered that from proceeding.

Perhaps now is the time for the CTC to lead that discussion, and with new urgency. This might be the time to take a closer look at the agreements reached between Caltrans and the City of Los Angeles regarding homes in El Sereno, as well as successful 710 sales from the 1990s. We would also point to the ongoing success of the City of Hayward's former 238 corridor bypass sales process as a possible guide. These precedents, together with new ideas from tenants and the community could be used to help facilitate an equitable transition without further litigation or unnecessary legislation.

We want to help you help us move forward with the sales. We would gladly join a meeting to discuss these issues, facilitated by the CTC and our elected officials, in order to pick up where we left off with Director Bulinski. We urge you to consider this proposal in your next meeting and we invite you to help us put the 710 corridor behind us once and for all.

Sincerely,  
United Caltrans Tenants Organizing Committee:

Timothy Ivison  
Angela Flores  
Roberto Flores  
Don Jones  
Lisa Almeida  
Marta Almeida  
Sunshine Anderson  
Debbie Burns



**List of Proposed Participants:**

Senator Anthony Portantino  
Assemblymember Chris Holden  
Secretary David S. Kim  
County Supervisor Hilda Solis  
Director Toks Omishakin  
District Director Tony Tavares  
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