From: <u>Elizabeth De Connick</u>

To: ncpc

Subject: In favor of casino!!!

Date: Sunday, June 23, 2024 12:44:16 PM

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Writing in FAVOR of casino in nassau. It's going to be great local getaway and bring tourist and jobs.

Lots of security please and all should be fine as those that oppose are worried about crime but I've been to AC and no issues there even with the high crime so I doubt we would have issues. Nassau cops are the best. I'm looking forward to it. Hopeful!

From: Andrew Borgese

To: ncpc

Subject: Nassau County Coliseum Sands Project

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Dear Honorable Commissioners

I am writing this letter in response to your hearing that took place on June 20th, 2024

with regards to the proposed lease agreement between Nassau County and Las Vegas Sands.

I am in full favor of this project and what it would mean to our county which I have been a resident of for over 40 years.

I am not going to start listing all the statistics of how many jobs,money,benefits to the surrounding communities that this venue would bring to our county, I am sure you have heard all of this before.

What I would like to state is what happens if this project does not go forward.

I was around when Jakes58 wanted to locate where the former Fortunoff's building is located on Old Country Road Westbury but due to area resistance and other factors Jakes58 opened up in Islandia in Suffolk County and is doing great with a proposed 210 million dollar expansion. Although part of the Fortunoff Building has been redeveloped by Samanesa New York a major part of this building is still vacant.

I was around when Charles Wang Wanted to renovate Nassau Coliseum and surrounding area but he too received resistance from Nassau County official at that time and that project was shelved.

I know many other factors are involved with projects such as these when trying to get approvals but it breaks my heart that Nassau County has missed several opportunities to show the world what we have to offer and what benefits that can come from thinking of the future.

Just look at what was accomplished by hosting the Cricket World Cup this month at Eisenhower Park.

Please consider what this project would mean to all the surrounding communities.

One note: as for Hofstra's concern on the gambling issue please note that many of the students already has axis to gambling on line and on their phones.

Thank you for your time

Sincerely

Andrew Borgese

Sent from my iPad

From: Alexandra Arso

To: ncpc Cc: Stacey Sikes

Subject: OSPAC 2-2024 - Written Testimony from the Long Island Association

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Hello,

Please see the attached written testimony from the Long Island Association regarding the Sands New York project.

Thank you,

Alex Arso Director of Programs Long Island Association



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Written Testimony of the Long Island Association (LIA) to the Nassau County Planning Commission

June 26, 2024

Nassau County Planning Commission Theodore Roosevelt Executive & Legislative Building 1550 Franklin Ave. Mineola, NY 11501

Re: OSPAC 2-2024

Dear Members of the Nassau County Planning Commission,

On behalf of the Long Island Association (LIA), the region's leading non-profit and non-partisan business organization representing the business community and advocating for the economic development of Nassau and Suffolk Counties, we submit this testimony in support of the Sands New York proposal for the Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum site. This project has the potential to be a significant economic driver for Long Island by expanding the tax base, creating thousands of jobs, and providing supply chain opportunities for small businesses.

The newly proposed lease agreement between Nassau County and Sands New York, which was discussed at the Planning Commission's public hearing on June 20, 2024, marks a significant step forward. This agreement, if approved, will grant Sands New York control over the Coliseum site, ensuring the potential for future development and revitalization of the area.

We urge the Commission to approve this lease agreement. This lease will enable Sands New York to take the necessary steps to bring life back to the Coliseum site. Sands New York's commitment to reviving this site will undoubtedly unlock its promise of new job opportunities and economic benefits for the local community, as well as increased local spending, enhanced tourism, and new growth for local businesses.

This project will breathe new life into the Nassau Coliseum and its surrounding areas, transforming a long-underutilized site into a thriving economic hub.

The LIA commends the comprehensive approach taken by the Nassau County Planning Commission and Sands New York. While it is crucial to thoroughly scrutinize any economic development project of this scale, we should also welcome multinational companies that not only want to invest hundreds of millions of dollars on Long Island but have consistently demonstrated good faith in becoming true stewards of our community and complied with state and local regulatory standards.

We are confident that this project, with its complete and historically extensive analysis, will significantly boost our region's economic sustainability. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Matt Cohen President & CEO Long Island Association