



ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL FORM

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ELECTION DATE: May 23, 2023 MEASURE I.D. (if any): B

JURISDICTION: City of Beverly Hills

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<input type="checkbox"/> Argument in Favor	<input type="checkbox"/> Argument Against
<input type="checkbox"/> Rebuttal to Argument Against	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rebuttal to Argument in Favor

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Rebuttal to Argument in Favor of Measure B

The project was not “overwhelmingly” supported. The City Council was not unanimous, and more than 2,500 residents signed petitions to place it on the ballot.

The claim of great income from the project is unverifiable, and does not even account for millions of dollars for required infrastructure and other continuing city services.

The hotel project would bring in some income, but so would ANY hotel. So why allow a massive, out-of-scale, up to 9 story building which would permanently mar the landscape and character of our Triangle; would create traffic and gridlock; would strain our infrastructure and water supply; and would impair our quality of life?

It just doesn't belong there.

We could have a code compliant 3 story hotel—a *real* boutique hotel—with a much better development agreement for any reasonable concessions.

Contrary to their argument, no funds whatsoever have been earmarked for schools, police, fire, or affordable housing.

There are also no guarantees that top wages or benefits would be paid to hotel employees. In fact, they would be lucky to find a parking space since code parking was not required.

It is troubling that according to required lobbyist registrations, three of our ex-mayors are using their past positions to profit, to the tune of about \$300,000, as lobbyists for Cheval Blanc.

Don't fall for the high paid rhetoric of the developer's lobbyists and a plethora of expensive, misleading advertising. And don't open the floodgates. Our city and quality of life are not for sale.