to City

Dear Council Members

I do not understand why this item is on the agenda for this Tuesday's Council meeting. It is Item # 11

I listened to the Retreat Council Meetings where you set priorities and the priority for Downtown is economic recovery.

I don't understand why this is necessary or time would be spent by the City Council if no staff report or staff work is going to be done. What are you trying to accomplish? If people are interested in getting together to work on a theater downtown, they do not need the blessing of the City Council in advance. If it is not a Brown Act Committee, no public input is required, nor do public meetings need to be held.

"Brown Act, located at California Government Code 54950 et seq., is an act of the California State Legislature, authored by Assemblymember Ralph M. Brown and passed in 1953, that guarantees the public's right to attend and participate in meetings of local legislative bodies."

Please do not deny us of our right to attend or participate in decisions that affect our Downtown.

I would not like to see a Theater Working group working in a non-public forum or manner. The Brown Act protects transparency . Sincerely

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