

Compatible use,
a hallmark of land use
and planning, should be
employed in Skid Row and
a buffer zone around it to
restrict bars, liquor stores,
marijuana dispensaries,
and smoke shops in
consideration of those
residents in greatest need,
for whom the community of
services is a lifeline, not a
mere recreational pursuit.

Given how little ***affordable housing*** has been built in Skid Row, or Downtown Los Angeles, a new model is needed that includes the use of publicly owned land, long vacant structures, and empty warehouses for affordable housing, rather than using zoning to make these more attractive for luxury and market rate housing.

Though many
community groups
and individuals
have stepped in to
uplift community
voice, Skid Row still
needs formal civic
representation
like a district or
something like a
Neighborhood Council

The DTLA 2040 plan
should ensure we do not
repeat the lessons of
urban renewal,
which demolished low
income and multifamily
housing and multiracial
neighborhoods, and
dismantled public
investment in both.

The Plan should maximize rather than diminish *neighborhood potential*, to serve deeply low to low income women, children and families, as well as the predominantly Black and other community members of Skid Row.