
APPENDIX C

**LETTERS FROM
PUBLIC SERVICE AGENCIES**

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January 4, 2006

Ms. Patricia Preston
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Re: City of Laguna Beach Village Entrance EIR

Dear Ms. Preston,

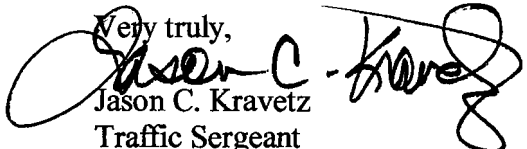
It was a pleasure speaking with you today. Please find our response to your questions listed below. I have tried my best to answer these questions. Please know that this area is currently utilized as a public works corporation yard and also as an employee parking lot.

- 1) What Laguna Beach Police Station will serve the project area? **There is only one police station in Laguna Beach and it will be next to this project area at 505 Forest Avenue. The police station is attached to the City Hall.**
- 2) What are the existing staff levels of this station? **There are 87 full-time employees of the police station and 29 volunteers. Approx. 1/4 of the full-time employees work the evening shift which is from 4pm until 4am while the other 3/4 works primarily during the day. The current staffing levels are adequate to meet demand for the project area.**
- 3) What is the existing equipment inventory at the station? **The police department has roughly 25 vehicles parked in and around the project area. There is also a large trailer used for special events and two radar boards, which are mounted on trailers. The equipment levels are adequate to meet the demands, but there is definitely a necessity for additional and adequate parking (which this project will provide).**
- 4) Does this Police Department have a preferred office-to-population ratio? **There isn't a known ratio, but the police department employs 49 full-time police officers to service a community with a population of slightly less than 25,000 people.**
- 5) Is the project site within any of the City's reporting districts? **Yes, the police reporting district for this area is 35. As far as quantitative statistics are concerned, it is hard to take this specific project site out of the crime statistics. First off, the site is a city corp. yard where there is little to no criminal activity. The second portion of the site is the city employee parking lot. Over the years there has been a few car burglaries and vandalism**

incidents, but nothing too mentionable. The statistics for this particular area are skewed because the police department sits in the same reporting zone and many crimes are coded to the police station in district 35. This occurs when people come to the station to report crimes and the location where the crime occurred is either unknown or merely listed as being at the station.

- 6) Does the City have a preferred response time goal? **The police department strives to have a response time less than five minutes for emergency calls for service and under 15 minutes for non-emergent calls for service.**
- 7) Does the proposed design conform to the police department's requirements for emergency access? **Yes**
- 8) What effect would the project have on the Laguna Beach Police Department? **The known change would probably be an increase of vehicle damage reports caused by errant drivers parking in a more confined area. There is also the potential for increased petty thefts because of the remoteness of the parked vehicles. For instance, a vehicle left parked on the roof of the structure with no other vehicles around it is more susceptible to criminal activity. The police department will have to work with City in order to determine the proper amount of signage, which will necessary, in order to ensure that the public complies with the parking laws of the community.**
- 9) Would the police department need to construct new facilities or expand in order to accommodate the project's demand for police services? **No. There is not a foreseen potential to hire additional officers because of this project. There isn't a need for additional equipment because of this project either, but there is a need for secure police vehicle parking in the structure.**
- 10) Recommendations to reduce the demand for police services created by the proposed project? **The first recommendation would be for adequate and prominently displayed signage describing our parking rules and also giving theft deterrent advice. A second recommendation would be for surveillance cameras in the lot to also deter crime and to log license plates of arriving and departing vehicles.**

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance to you as the project progresses.

Very truly,

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LAGUNA BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

January 18, 2006

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Dear Patricia:

This letter is in response to your request for information regarding the EIR for the Village Entrance Project and Parking Structure. Much of the information you requested is considered public information and available through many different resources. The City's web site (www.lagunabeachcity.net) may be a logical first step for information on Fire Department staffing and station locations. Please refer to the City's website for information contained in the General Plan (Safety Element/Emergency Plan). The City currently has no plans to increase staffing/equipment levels or add a new fire station(s).

The Laguna Beach Fire Department utilizes NFPA 1710 as the standard for response time goals. Raw data regarding response times may be available if requested, however no current studies are available. The current Fire Department staffing levels per population is public information available on the City's website. There are currently no preferred ratios since we exceed most suggested models.

The entire City of Laguna Beach is considered a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. The City of Laguna Beach utilizes the 2001 California Fire Code for determining the number of hydrants, flow, and capacity. The proposed project is required to comply with the City's fuel modification requirements. Please refer to the City's website under Fire Department/weed abatement tabs to access the fuel modification guidelines. It is unknown what impact if any this project will have on requests for fire protection services.

The structure should have a fire alarm installed and be fully sprinklered. The alarm system should be UL certificated and monitored by a UL 827 compliant central station. Fire Department access (apparatus and F/F) should be taken into account and designed into the project. Please call me at 949-497-0700 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Kris Head, Fire Marshal



**MEMORANDUM
FIRE DEPARTMENT**

DATE: June 7, 2010
TO: Ann Larsen, Planning
FROM: Tom Christopher, Fire Department
SUBJECT: Village Entrance EIR Comments

Ann, the Laguna Beach Fire Department has reviewed the "working document" dated march 22, 2010. The following item shall be considered for this development:

1. Per the City of Laguna Beach's GIS map data this parcel is listed as having a fuel modification designation. If the applicant is unable to meet the 195' requirement an alternate material and method will be required to offset the portion of the fuel modification that is not met.
2. All applicable adopted California Building and Fire codes shall apply to this development. All fire sprinkler, standpipe and fire alarm systems shall be constructed to the Nation Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) standards.
3. An water flow assessment shall be complete by the water purveyor to determine adequate water for fire flow calculations.

LAGUNA BEACH COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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January 4, 2006

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SUBJECT: CITY OF LAGUNA BEACH VILLAGE ENTRANCE – REQUEST FOR
INFORMATION

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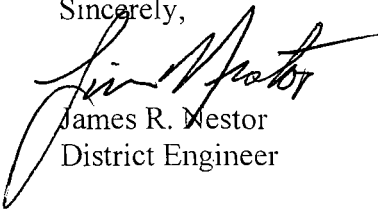
Laguna Beach County Water District has received your request for information for the subject project and offers the following responses to your questions:

1. Please describe the sizes and capacities of any additional existing water mains that might serve the project site and the surrounding area. If possible, include a map illustrating your description.
The current corporate yard is served by a 4-inch pipeline in an alley behind City Hall. There is an 8-inch waterline and a 16-inch water in Forest Avenue that can serve the project, if necessary. See attached map.
2. Are there any existing water service problems/deficiencies in the project area?
No.
3. If water service problems/deficiencies exist, how would they affect the proposed project, and how would you suggest those effects be mitigated by the project developer?
NA.
4. Would there be a disruption in water service in the project area when “hooking-up” the proposed project? If so, about how long would the disruption last?
There could be a disruption of service in the project area. The exact length of the disruption is unknown at this time and depends on size and location and complexity of the new service.

5. Would your district be able to accommodate the proposed project's demand for water service?
Unknown at this time. The project's engineer must submit a plan showing the proposed location of service and the water demand for the project.
6. If the answer to question six is "no," what new infrastructure or upgrades to infrastructure would be needed to meet the proposed project's demand for water?
Unknown at this time.
7. What water source(s) would supply water to the project site? Would the existing water supply be able to accommodate the proposed project's demand for water service?
If the current water demand does not change, then there will be no problem in accommodating the demand. If the demand increases, the District will have to know by how much to determine the impact on its system.
8. What water treatment plant would serve treated water to the project site? Would this treatment plant and/or any be able to accommodate the proposed project's demand for treated water?
All water is imported from Metropolitan Water District of Southern California and stored in numerous reservoirs throughout Laguna Beach County Water District. LBCWD does not have a treatment plant.
9. Do you know if the water pressure and supply in the project area are adequate to meet the City of Laguna Beach's Fire Department's fire flow and residual water pressure requirements?
It is not known what the requirements will be for this project.
10. Please provide any recommendations that might reduce any potential water impacts that would be associated with the proposed project.
The Laguna Beach County Water District should be brought into the planning process early to avoid any conflicts with existing facilities and so that water demands can be accounted for before the project construction begins.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input to the proposed project. Please contact us if you require any more information.

Sincerely,



James R. Nestor
District Engineer

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cc: Renae Hinchey
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CHRISTOPHER A. JOSEPH & ASSOCIATES

December 28, 2005

RE: City of Laguna Beach Village Entrance Parking Structure Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) – Request for information

Would the project result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered governmental facilities, need for new or physically altered governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other performance objectives for sewer services?

Any projects conflicts or adverse impacts may be mitigated by design. Mitigation measures have been included in the proposed 10-year Capital Improvement Program.

1. Please describe the sizes and capacities of existing sewer lines that would serve the project site and the surrounding area. If possible, include a map illustrating your description.
N/A
2. Are there any existing sewer service problems/deficiencies in the project area?
18" sewer main behind City Hall creates a location conflict with the project.
3. If sewer service problems/deficiencies exist how would they affect the proposed project, and how would you suggest those effects be mitigated by the project developer?
Replacement/relocation of the sewer lines out of project area. Projects are programmed into the Capital Improvement Program. See items #8, 14 and 16.
4. Would there be a disruption in sewer service in the project area when "hooking-up" the proposed project? If so, about how long would the disruption last?
No. (Terri let's discuss)
5. Would the City of Laguna Beach's Water Quality Department be able to accommodate the proposed project's demand for sewer distribution service with the existing infrastructure in the project area?
Yes
6. If the answer to question five is "no," what new infrastructure or upgrades to infrastructure would be needed to meet the proposed project's demand for sewer distribution service?
N/A
7. Does the existing collection system and treatment plant have the capacity to accommodate flows from the proposed project?
Yes. (Terri what is the amount of flow projected for the project?)
8. Are there plans for expansion of an existing or construction of a new treatment plant that would serve the project site after the closure of the treatment facility included in your response to question seven?
No.

9. What is the current average daily wastewater flow of sewage at the treatment lift station facility (mgd)?

1.5 mgd (+/-) Station #25

10. Would the City of Laguna Beach's Water Quality Department be able to accommodate the proposed project's demand for sewer treatment service with the existing capacity of the treatment facility?

Yes.

11. Please provide and recommendations that might reduce any potential sewer distribution and treatment impacts associated with the proposed project.

We will coordinate a Third Street/Loma Terrace sewer main relocation project along with a new Laguna SOCWA Lift Station #25 force main by-pass line approximately 900 ft.