



CITY OF PALM SPRINGS
DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING SERVICES
MEMORANDUM

Date: June 10, 2015
To: Planning Commission
From: Department of Planning Services *TR*
Subject: Agenda Item 2C. New Church II LLC for Orchid Tree Resort
Case Nos. 5.1345 GPA, PD-372, CUP and 3.0678 MAJ

At its meetings of April 22, and May 13, 2015, the Planning Commission continued the subject item to allow staff additional time to (1) prepare responses to the comments received on the project's Initial Study and (2) provide further clarification on Commissioner's questions.

Upon further review of the comments received on the Initial Study, staff believes additional environmental analysis is necessary to evaluate environmental impacts of the project and to determine appropriate mitigation measures. Specific areas of concern include Cultural Resources, Noise and Transportation/Traffic.

Staff recommends the Planning Commission table the project indefinitely with direction to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR).