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From: Mary Lynne Petrilli <marpetrilli@hotmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, January 01, 2015 8:28 PM

To: David Newell Subject: SERENA PARK

Sent from Windows Mail

I am resident of Palm Springs CC Phase I. I was in attendance at the Architects Committee where they made several recommendations to the developers to improve the structures (especially to vary roof styles), change road placements in several locations and several other issues. Due to these concerns this committee approved this stage of the process to the Planning Commission with RESERVATIONS. My question is: 1. Were these changes made by the developer and how? 2. If not why not? Please include this inquiry into the public record for the Serena Park Development project. Additionally I would like to review the current Serena Park proposal that will be discussed on Jan. 8. Could you please email that to me as soon as possible so that I may review it before the

meeting. Thank you.

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Vann, Nicole

From: Dean Weber <delta3home@comcast.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 03, 2015 2:58 PM

To: David Newell

Subject: FW: Palm springs CC phase 1 letter

Attachments: Signed letter phase 1.jpg; Newell letter 12.30.14.pdf

From: Dean Weber [mailto:delta3home@comcast.net]

Sent: Saturday, January 3, 2015 2:42 PM

To: David Newell (<u>David.Newell@palmsprings-ca.gov</u>)

Cc: Matthew Haverin (pscountryclub@gmail.com); Art Carroll; 'Joe Corbett'

Subject: Palm springs CC phase 1 letter

Dear Mr. Newell

Please find attached two letters. One is a scanned copy of the original signed by a number of home owners. The other is a typed copy with names and home numbers.

On behalf of these home owners I would to present this to you showing our support for the Serena Park project.

Thank you
A Dean Weber
Palm Springs CC Phase 1 HOA

Mr. David Newell Assoc. Planner City of Palm Springs 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

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Thank you for allowing us to relay to you our feelings.

PHASE I PALM SPRINGS CC HOA

Art Carroll, President	_	Art Carroll	
Joe Corbett, Board Member	_	Joe Corbett	
Dean Weber, Phase 1 Project Coordinator		Dean Weber	
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Eric Norton	<u>2511A</u>	Suzanne Carroll	2501B
Jeanene Sloane	<u>2515B</u>	Robert Atkins	<u>2511D</u>
Paul Miller	<u>2515A</u>		
Bjorge/Paine	<u>2521D</u>		
Vernice Shull	<u>2521B</u>		
Mary Petrilli	<u>2527A</u>		
Gregory Browne	2527C		
Steve Peyton	<u>2527B</u>		
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Janet Kirwan	2543C		
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From: thomashcorley@aol.com

Sent: Wednesday, January 07, 2015 12:08 PM

To: David Newell

Cc: djbucken@gmail.com

Subject: EIR Scoping Meeting Serena Park (Palm Springs Country Club)

Mr. Newell,

I have the following questions and concerns regarding the EIR Scoping Meeting.

Why are the adjacent homes called "constraints"?

Who concluded the site cannot satisfy current golf course design practices?

An 18 hole golf course existed for 60 years. The first developer n recent times proposed a smaller golf course. We could at least have a 9 hole executive course around the Palm Springs Country Club Homes. This should be analyzed by a golf course development company. I can recommend some.

Five thousand square foot lots do not constitute low density residential.

43.4 Acres of private common area a the expense of the new residents is wasted water and open space.

The five acre public park isin a hidden location for the public. It is useless. The existing Victoria park on Raquet Club is only used by a handful of people around the tot lot. This needs further analysis.

Environmental factors to be analyzed: Land Use/Planning Public Services Recreation

Sincerely,

Thomas H. Corley Resident

Re: Palm Springs Country Club Development

January 17th, 2015

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Gary Garver and I have owned a townhouse at 2504 Whitewater Club Drive, Unit A, Palm Springs, California since 1997. I originally bought the property based on the fact that the property was on a golf course. I always dreamed of having a home on a golf course and that I would retire there one day.

It was a major disappointment when the golf course shut down a few years ago. I was always hoping that someone would buy it and re-open it. In fact, we did have a developer come in and have a plan for homes and a golf course around ten years ago, which I was completely for, but the deal fell through.

It is now my understanding that the city does not want a golf course there and in fact, there is a developer that would like to build 400 plus homes on the property, with no golf course. They also want to build a wall a few yards from my patio and basically surround us with homes and congestion that will not only ruin the peace and quiet that is one of the best things about my property, but will cause the property value to decrease, a loss of my tenant and a possible foreclosure of my property.

How would you feel if you had planned all your life to retire at a home of your dreams and then a developer decided to come in and bulldoze your dream, all in the name of big business and money? I'm sure you would be as upset as I am.

I understand that something has to be done with the property and I am willing to compromise where all of us, the developer, the homeowners of Palm Springs Country Club and the city of Palm Springs can all benefit and feel good about a development plan. But to just have 400 plus homes built with no golf course, losing the peace and tranquility of the property, plus all the noise, congestion and pollution that will come with such a huge endeavor, without the rights and thoughts of the homeowners of PSCC is no compromise.

Take seriously into the account our thoughts as homeowners that have lived or owned there for years and please do not let our dreams disappear into abyss of big business.

Sent is the environmental report I received at a recent council meeting. I have checked my concerns on how the development of 400 plus homes would disrupt our tranquility at Palm Springs Country Club.

Feel free to contact me at 818-439-3651

Gary Garver 2504 Whitewater Club Drive, Unit A Palm Springs, Ca. 92262

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From: thomashcorley@aol.com

Sent: Tuesday, January 20, 2015 11:59 AM

To: David Newell

Cc: djbuckinger@gmail.com

Subject: EIR Scoping Meeting "Serena Park"

Please confirm that The City of Palm Springs scope of review will include land use/planning (including the potential for a 9 hole executive around the country club condos), population/housing, public services (the negative effect), and recreation (including active recreational amenities).

It was my understanding that the city's consultant was expanding his review. Was the EIR consultant hired by the developer instructed to expand the study?

- Tom Corley

AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS

TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION



03-004-2014-050

December 23, 2014

[VIA EMAIL TO:david.newell@palmsprings-ca.gov] Palm Springs Mr. David A. Newell 3200 E Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

Re: Serena Park

Dear Mr. David A. Newell,

The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians (ACBCI) appreciates your efforts to include the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) in the Case No. 5.1327 project. We have reviewed the documents and have the following requests:

*Before ground disturbing activities begin please contact the Tribal Historic Preservation Office at 760-699-6907 to arrange cultural monitoring.

*A copy of the records search with associated survey reports and site records from the information center.

* Thank you for incorporating our previous comments in the Draft EIR.

Again, the Agua Caliente appreciates your interest in our cultural heritage. If you have questions or require additional information, please call me at (760)699-6907. You may also email me at acbci-thpo@aguacaliente.net.

Cordially,

Pattie Garcia

Director

Tribal Historic Preservation Office

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Notice of Preparation of a CEQA Document for the Serena Park Project

The South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) staff appreciates the opportunity to comment on the above-mentioned document. The SCAQMD staff's comments are recommendations regarding the analysis of potential air quality impacts from the proposed project that should be included in the draft CEQA document. Please send the SCAQMD a copy of the CEQA document upon its completion. Note that copies of the Draft EIR that are submitted to the State Clearinghouse are not forwarded to the SCAQMD. Please forward a copy of the Draft EIR directly to SCAQMD at the address in our letterhead. In addition, please send with the draft EIR all appendices or technical documents related to the air quality and greenhouse gas analyses and electronic versions of all air quality modeling and health risk assessment files. These include original emission calculation spreadsheets and modeling files (not Adobe PDF files). Without all files and supporting air quality documentation, the SCAQMD will be unable to complete its review of the air quality analysis in a timely manner. Any delays in providing all supporting air quality documentation will require additional time for review beyond the end of the comment period.

Air Quality Analysis

The SCAQMD adopted its California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Air Quality Handbook in 1993 to assist other public agencies with the preparation of air quality analyses. The SCAQMD recommends that the Lead Agency use this Handbook as guidance when preparing its air quality analysis. Copies of the Handbook are available from the SCAQMD's Subscription Services Department by calling (909) 396-3720. More recent guidance developed since this Handbook was published is also available on SCAQMD's website here: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/ceqa/air-quality-analysis-handbook/ceqa-air-quality-handbook-(1993). SCAQMD staff also recommends that the lead agency use the CalEEMod land use emissions software. This software has recently been updated to incorporate up-to-date state and locally approved emission factors and methodologies for estimating pollutant emissions from typical land use development. CalEEMod is the only software model maintained by the California Air Pollution Control Officers Association (CAPCOA) and replaces the now outdated URBEMIS. This model is available free of charge at: www.caleemod.com.

The Lead Agency should identify any potential adverse air quality impacts that could occur from all phases of the project and all air pollutant sources related to the project. Air quality impacts from both construction (including demolition, if any) and operations should be calculated. Construction-related air quality impacts typically include, but are not limited to, emissions from the use of heavy-duty equipment from grading, earth-loading/unloading, paving, architectural coatings, off-road mobile sources (e.g., heavy-duty construction equipment) and on-road mobile sources (e.g., construction worker vehicle trips, material transport trips). Operation-related air quality impacts may include, but are not limited to, emissions from stationary sources (e.g., boilers), area sources (e.g., solvents and coatings), and vehicular trips (e.g., on- and off-road tailpipe emissions and entrained dust). Air quality impacts from indirect sources, that is, sources that generate or attract vehicular trips should be included in the analysis.

The SCAQMD has also developed both regional and localized significance thresholds. The SCAQMD staff requests that the lead agency quantify criteria pollutant emissions and compare the results to the recommended regional significance thresholds found here: http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/ceqa/handbook/scaqmd-air-quality-significance-thresholds.pdf?sfvrsn=2. In addition to analyzing regional air quality impacts, the SCAQMD staff recommends calculating localized air quality impacts and comparing the results to localized significance thresholds (LSTs). LST's can be used in addition to the recommended regional significance thresholds as a second indication of air quality impacts when preparing a CEQA document. Therefore, when preparing the air quality analysis for the proposed project, it is

recommended that the lead agency perform a localized analysis by either using the LSTs developed by the SCAQMD or performing dispersion modeling as necessary. Guidance for performing a localized air quality analysis can be found at: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/ceqa/air-quality-analysis-handbook/localized-significance-thresholds.

In the event that the proposed project generates or attracts vehicular trips, especially heavy-duty diesel-fueled vehicles, it is recommended that the lead agency perform a mobile source health risk assessment. Guidance for performing a mobile source health risk assessment ("Health Risk Assessment Guidance for Analyzing Cancer Risk from Mobile Source Diesel Idling Emissions for CEQA Air Quality Analysis") can be found at: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/ceqa/air-quality-analysis-handbook/mobile-source-toxics-analysis. An analysis of all toxic air contaminant impacts due to the use of equipment potentially generating such air pollutants should also be included.

In addition, guidance on siting incompatible land uses (such as placing homes near freeways) can be found in the California Air Resources Board's *Air Quality and Land Use Handbook: A Community Perspective*, which can be found at the following internet address: http://www.arb.ca.gov/ch/handbook.pdf. CARB's Land Use Handbook is a general reference guide for evaluating and reducing air pollution impacts associated with new projects that go through the land use decision-making process.

Mitigation Measures

In the event that the project generates significant adverse air quality impacts, CEQA requires that all feasible mitigation measures that go beyond what is required by law be utilized during project construction and operation to minimize or eliminate these impacts. Pursuant to state CEQA Guidelines §15126.4 (a)(1)(D), any impacts resulting from mitigation measures must also be discussed. Several resources are available to assist the Lead Agency with identifying possible mitigation measures for the project, including:

- Chapter 11 of the SCAQMD CEQA Air Quality Handbook
- SCAQMD's CEQA web pages at: http://www.aqmd.gov/home/regulations/ceqa/air-quality-analysis-handbook/mitigation-measures-and-control-efficiencies.
- CAPCOA's Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Mitigation Measures available here: http://www.capcoa.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/CAPCOA-Quantification-Report-9-14-Final.pdf.
- SCAQMD's Rule 403 Fugitive Dust, and the Implementation Handbook for controlling construction-related emissions
- Other measures to reduce air quality impacts from land use projects can be found in the SCAQMD's Guidance
 Document for Addressing Air Quality Issues in General Plans and Local Planning. This document can be found
 at the following internet address: http://www.aqmd.gov/docs/default-source/planning/air-quality-guidance/complete-guidance-document.pdf?sfvrsn=4.

Data Sources

SCAQMD rules and relevant air quality reports and data are available by calling the SCAQMD's Public Information Center at (909) 396-2039. Much of the information available through the Public Information Center is also available via the SCAQMD's webpage (http://www.aqmd.gov).

The SCAQMD staff is available to work with the Lead Agency to ensure that project emissions are accurately evaluated and initigated where feasible. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at <u>jbaker@aqmd.gov</u> or call me at (909) 396-3176.

Sincerely,

Jillian Baker

Jillian Baker, Ph.D.
Program Supervisor
Planning, Rule Development & Area Sources

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January 8, 2015

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David A. Newell City of Palm Springs 3200 E. Tahquit Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262 JAN 1 5 235 PLANNING SERVICES DEPARTMENT

RE:

SCH # 2014121075 Serena Park, Riverside County.

Dear Mr. Newell,

The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) has reviewed the Notice of Preparation (NOP) referenced above. The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) states that any project that causes a substantial adverse change in the significance of an historical resource, which includes archeological resources, is a significant effect requiring the preparation of an EIR (CEQA Guidelines 15064(b)). To comply with this provision the lead agency is required to assess whether the project will have an adverse impact on historical resources within the area of project effect (APE), and if so to mitigate that effect. To adequately assess and mitigate project-related impacts to archaeological resources, the NAHC recommends the following actions:

- Contact the appropriate regional archaeological Information Center for a record search. The record search will determine:
 - If a part or all of the area of project effect (APE) has been previously surveyed for cultural resources.
 - If any known cultural resources have already been recorded on or adjacent to the APE.
 - If the probability is low, moderate, or high that cultural resources are located in the APE.
 - If a survey is required to determine whether previously unrecorded cultural resources are present.
- ✓ If an archaeological inventory survey is required, the final stage is the preparation of a professional report detailing the findings and recommendations of the records search and field survey.
 - The final report containing site forms, site significance, and mitigation measurers should be submitted immediately to the planning department. All information regarding site locations, Native American human remains, and associated funerary objects should be in a separate confidential addendum, and not be made available for pubic disclosure.
 - The final written report should be submitted within 3 months after work has been completed to the appropriate regional archaeological Information Center.
- ✓ Contact the Native American Heritage Commission for:
 - A Sacred Lands File Check. USGS 7.6-minute quadrangle name, township, range, and section required
 - A list of appropriate Native American contacts for consultation concerning the project site and to assist in the mitigation measures. Native American Contacts List attached.
- Lack of surface evidence of archeological resources does not preclude their subsurface existence.
 - Lead agencies should include in their mitigation plan provisions for the identification and evaluation of accidentally discovered archeological resources, per California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines §15064.5(f). In areas of identified archaeological sensitivity, a certified archaeologist and a culturally affiliated Native American, with knowledge in cultural resources, should monitor all ground-disturbing activities.
 - Lead agencies should include in their mitigation plan provisions for the disposition of recovered cultural items that are not burial associated, which are addressed in Public Resources Code (PRC) §5097.98, in consultation with culturally affiliated Native Americans.
 - Lead agencies should include provisions for discovery of Native American human remains in their mitigation plan. Health and Safety Code §7050.5, PRC §5097.98, and CEQA Guidelines §15064.5(e), address the process to be followed in the event of an accidental discovery of any human remains and associated grave goods in a location other than a dedicated cemetery.

Sincerely.

Katy Sanchez

Associate Government Program Analyst

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CC: State Clearinghouse

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AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION RIVERSIDE COUNTY

January 12, 2015

Simon Housman Rancho Mirage

Mr. David Newell, Associate Planner

agreement, and a tentative tract map.

VICE CHAIRMAN Rod Ballance Riverside City of Palm Springs Department of Planning Services

3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way

Palm Springs CA 92262

COMMISSIONERS

RE: Serena Park Project; City Planning Case Nos. 5.1327 PD-366 and TTM 36691

copy of the Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report and CD copy of the

listed on page 4 of the Environmental Initial Study, include a general plan amendment,

Arthur Butler Riverside

Dear Mr. Newell:

John Lyon Riverside

Thank you for providing the Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission (ALUC) with a

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Environmental Initial Study for this project, which includes proposed changes to the site's General Plan designation and zoning classification. Project entitlements being requested, as

Greg Pettis

Cathedral City

Steve Manos Lake Elsinore

STAFF

Director Ed Cooper

ALUC's statutory responsibilities include review of proposals for general plan amendments and ordinance amendments (including zone changes) proposed within Airport Influence Areas. This project is located within Airport Compatibility Zones C and D of the Palm Springs International Airport Influence Area.

establishment of a Planned Development District "in lieu of Change of Zone," a development

John Guerin Russell Brady Barbara Santos

County Administrative Center 4080 Lemon St., 14th Floor. Riverside, CA 92501 (951) 955-5132

In accordance with Section 21676(b) of the California Public Utilities Code, please advise the applicant for this project to submit these projects to ALUC for a determination as to consistency with the Palm Springs International Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan. Application forms are available at www.rcaluc.org, click Forms. Complete application packets received by January 28, 2015 would be eligible for consideration at ALUC's March 12, 2015 public hearing.

www.rcatuc.org

Airport Compatibility Zone C requires that 20 percent of gross land area within projects of ten acres or more be open area, and Airport Compatibility Zone D requires that 10 percent of gross land area within projects of ten acres or more be open area. While the Conceptual Land Use Plan indicates that 47.78 acres (36 percent of the gross area of the site) would be either public or private open space, it is not clear how much of that open space would qualify as open area meeting ALUC requirements. ALUC-qualifying open areas must be at least 70 feet wide and 300 feet in length, and must be free of overhead wires, structures, and obstacles (except those less than four feet above ground level or less than four inches in diameter). The Environmental Impact Report should address whether the proposed project complies with this requirement.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. If you have any questions, please contact John Guerin of ALUC staff at (951) 955-0982.

AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION

January 12, 2015

Sincerely,

RIVERSIDE COUNTY AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION

Edward C. Cooper, Director

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cc: Eric Taylor, Palm Springs Country Club, LLC

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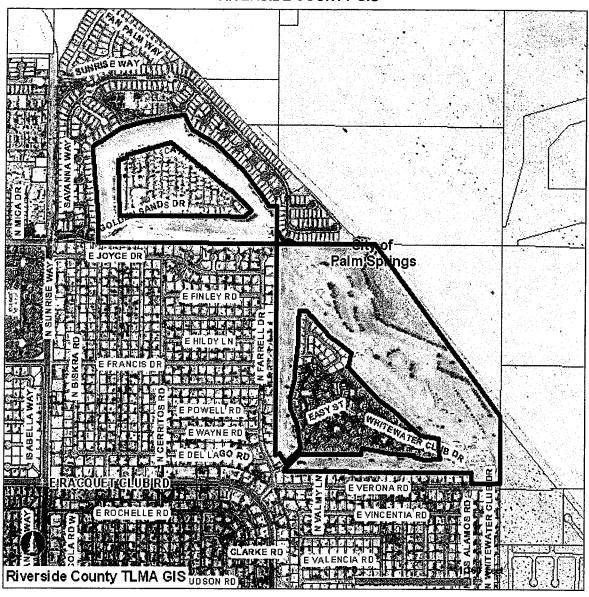
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Selected parcel(s): 501-190-011 669-480-027 669-590-066

AIRPORTS

	SELECTED PARCEL	✓ INTERSTATES	\wedge	HIGHWAYS	PARCELS
	AIRPORT INFLUENCE AREAS	COMPATIBILTY ZONE B1		COMPATIBILTY ZONE C	COMPATIBILTY ZONE D

IMPORTANT

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PS. PALM SPRINGS INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

PS.1 Compatibility Map Delineation

- 1.1 Airport Master Plan Status: The Airport Master Plan adopted by the Palm Springs City Council in 2002 is the basis for the Compatibility Plan.
- 1.2 Airfield Configuration: Establishment of a precision instrument approach procedure on Runway 31L is proposed, but no other runway system changes are indicated in the Master Plan.
- 1.3 Airport Activity: Despite a projected increase from 109,500 aircraft operations in 2002 to 170,260 in 2020, the Master Plan anticipates Palm Springs International Airport noise contours to slightly shrink in most locations. This impact reduction reflects the reduced single-event noise levels produced by the aircraft that will make up the future fleet mix at the airport compared to those operating there today. For the purposes of the Compatibility Plan, a composite of the 2002 and 2020 noise contours is used.
- 1.4 Airport Influence Area: The locations of the standard flight paths flown by aircraft approaching and departing the airport are the primary factors defining the influence area for Palm Springs International Airport. Close-in areas west of the airport are affected by sideline noise, but the more distant areas are seldom overflown and thus are excluded from the airport influence area.

PS.2 Additional Compatibility Policies

- 2.1 Noise Exposure in Residential Areas: The limit of 60 dB CNEL set by Countywide Policy 4.1.4 as the maximum noise exposure considered normally acceptable for new residential land uses shall not be applied to the environs of Palm Springs International Airport. For this airport, the criterion shall instead be 62 dB CNEL. This higher threshold takes into account the ambient noise conditions in the area and also the community's long-standing exposure to the noise of airline aircraft operations. Dwellings may require incorporation of special noise level reduction measures into their design to ensure that the interior noise limit of 45 dB CNEL (Countywide Policy 4.1.6) is not exceeded.
- 2.2 Zone C Residential Densities: The criteria set forth in Countywide Policy 3.1.3(a) and the Basic Compatibility Criteria matrix (Table 2A) notwithstanding, residential densities in Zone C northwest of the airport shall either be kept to a very low density of no more than 0.2 dwelling units per acre as indicated in the table or be in the range of 3.0 to 15.0 dwelling units per acre. The choice between these two options is at the discretion of the City of Palm Springs, the only affected land use jurisdictions. (Criteria for Zone C southeast of the airport remain as indicated in Table 2A.)
- 2.3 Zone D Residential Densities: The criteria set forth in Countywide Policy 3.1.3(b) and the Basic Compatibility Criteria matrix (Table 2A) notwithstanding, the high-density option for Compatibility Zone D at Palm Springs International Airport shall

- allow residential densities as low as 3.0 dwelling units per gross acre to the extent that such densities are typical of existing (as of the adoption date of this plan) residential development in nearby areas of the community.
- 2.4 Southeast Industrial/Commercial Area: Within the areas designated by a (1) and a (2) on the Palm Springs International Airport Compatibility Map, the following usage intensity criteria shall apply:
 - (a) In Compatibility Zone B1:
 - (1) An average of up to 40 people per acre shall be allowed on a site and up to 80 people shall be allowed to occupy any single acre of the site.
 - (2) If the percentage of qualifying open land on the site (see Countywide Policy 4.2.4) is increased from 30% to at least 35%, the site shall be allowed to have an average of up to 45 people per acre and any single acre shall be allowed to have up 90 people per acre.
 - (3) If the percentage of qualifying open land on the site is increased to 40% or more, the site shall be allowed to have an average of up to 50 people per acre and any single acre shall be allowed to have up 100 people per acre.
 - (b) In Compatibility Zone C:
 - (1) An average of up to 80 people per acre shall be allowed on a site and up to 160 people shall be allowed to occupy any single acre of the site.
 - (2) If the percentage of qualifying open land on the site is increased from 20% to at least 25%, the site shall be allowed to have an average of up to 90 people per acre and any single acre shall be allowed to have up 180 people per acre.
 - (3) If the percentage of qualifying open land on the site is increased to 30% or more, the site shall be allowed to have an average of up to 100 people per acre and any single acre shall be allowed to have up 200 people per acre.
 - (c) To the extent feasible, open land should be situated along the extended runway centerlines or other primary flight tracks.
 - (d) The above bonuses for extra open land on a site are in addition to the intensity bonuses for risk-reduction building design indicated in Table 2A. In both cases, incorporation of the features necessary to warrant the intensity bonuses is at the option of the City of Palm Springs and the project proponents and is not required by ALUC policy.
 - (e) The intensity bonuses for extra open land provided here are judged to represent a balance between the ALUC objective of enhancing safety in the airport environs and needs of the community for more intensive development of the area involved. The resulting intensities remain consistent with the guidelines set in the California Airport Land Use Planning Handbook given the character of the airport activity and the surrounding community.
- 2.5 Expanded Buyer Awareness Measures: In addition to the requirements for avigation easement dedication or deed notification as indicated in Table 2A, any new single-

family or multi-family residential development proposed for construction anywhere within the Palm Springs International Airport influence area, except for *Compatibility Zone E*, shall include the following measures intended to ensure that prospective buyers or renters are informed about the presence of aircraft overflights of the property.

- (a) During initial sales of properties within newly created subdivisions, large air-port-related informational signs shall be installed and maintained by the developer. These signs shall be installed in conspicuous locations and shall clearly depict the proximity of the property to the airport and aircraft traffic patterns.
- (b) An informational brochure shall be provided to prospective buyers or renters showing the locations of aircraft flight patterns. The frequency of overflights, the typical altitudes of the aircraft, and the range of noise levels that can be expected from individual aircraft overflights shall be described.

- > On-airport storage of aviation fuel and other aviation-related flammable materials.
- Aboveground storage of less than 6,000 gallons of nonaviation flammable materials (this limit coincides with a break-point used in the Uniform Fire Code to distinguish between different classes of tanks).
- (3) Within *Compatibility Zone C*, manufacture or storage of hazardous materials other than the types listed in Sub-policy (2) above is prohibited unless no other feasible alternative site exists and the facility is designed in a manner that minimizes its susceptibility to damage from an aircraft accident.
- (d) Critical Community Infrastructure: Construction of power plants, electrical substations, public communications facilities, and other critical community infrastructure shall be restricted as follows:
 - (1) Within Compatibility Zone A, all such uses are prohibited.
 - (2) Within *Compatibility Zones B1* and *B2*, such uses are prohibited unless no other feasible alternative site exists and the facility is designed in a manner that minimizes its susceptibility to damage from an aircraft accident.
- 4.2.4. Open Land: In the event that a light aircraft is forced to land away from an airport, the risks to the people on board can best be minimized by providing as much open land area as possible within the airport vicinity. This concept is based upon the fact that the majority of light aircraft accidents and incidents occurring away from an airport runway are controlled emergency landings in which the pilot has reasonable opportunity to select the landing site.
 - (a) To qualify as open land, an area should be:
 - (1) Free of most structures and other major obstacles such as walls, large trees or poles (greater than 4 inches in diameter, measured 4 feet above the ground), and overhead wires.
 - (2) Have minimum dimensions of approximately 75 feet by 300 feet.
 - (b) Roads and automobile parking lots are acceptable as open land areas if they meet the above criteria.
 - (c) Open land requirements for each compatibility zone are to be applied with respect to the entire zone. Individual parcels may be too small to accommodate the minimum-size open area requirement. Consequently, the identification of open land areas must initially be accomplished at the general plan or specific plan level or as part of large (10 acres or more) development projects.
 - (d) Clustering of development, subject to the limitations noted below, and providing contiguous landscaped and parking areas is encouraged as a means of increasing the size of open land areas.
 - (e) Building envelopes and the airport compatibility zones should be indicated on all development plans and tentative maps for projects located within the influence area of airports covered by this *Compatibility Plan*. Portraying this information is intended to assure that individual development projects provide the open land areas identified in the applicable general plan, specific plan, or other large-scale plan.





NOTICE OF PREPARATION

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT

DATE:

December 17, 2014

LEAD AGENCY: City of Palm Springs

3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way

Palm Springs, CA 92262

CONTACT:

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PROJECT TITLE: Serena Park

PROJECT APPLICANT: Palm Springs Country Club, LLC

PROJECT LOCATION: West of Gene Autry Trail & South of Whitewater River Channel

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the City of Palm Springs as the Lead Agency will prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project identified above. The purpose of this Notice of Preparation (NOP) is a request for responsible agencies, trustee agencies, other interested agencies, organizations, and members of the general public to provide input on the proposed Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Serena Park project. Your response to the NOP will inform the City of Palm Springs (Lead Agency) of your environmental concerns, your ideas about the effects of the project, and ways the project may be revised or mitigated to reduce or avoid the significant effects and to solicit comments on the environmental analysis to be contained in the EIR.

The project's description, location, and potential environmental impacts are contained in the attached Initial Study. Due to the time limits mandated by State Law, your responses must be sent at the earliest possible date but not later than 30 days after receipt of this notice. If the proposed project has no bearing on you or your organization no action on your part is necessary.

Please send your responses to David A. Newell, Associate Planner at the City of Palm Springs to the address shown above. RECEIVED

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PLANNING SERVICES

PUBLIC SCOPING: Public Scoping meeting are being conducted to provide an opportunity to learn more about the proposed project and to express comments about the content of the Draft EIR. A scoping meeting will be held at the following date and time:

Date:

January 8, 2014

Time:

5:00 p.m.

Location:

City Council Chamber

Palm Springs City Hall

3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way

Palm Springs, CA 92262

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Environmental Initial Study

Project Title:

Serena Park

Case No:

5.1327 PD-366 /TTM 36691

Lead Agency

City of Palm Springs

Name and Address:

Department of Planning Services 3200 E Tahquitz Canyon Way

Palm Springs, CA 92262

Property Owner/

Palm Springs Country Club, LLC

Developer:

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Applicant:

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Toblesky Green Architects

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Contact Person

David A. Newell, Associate Planner

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Project Location:

West of Gene Autry Trail and South of Whitewater River Channel

Existing Zoning and

Existing – O/OS (Open Land Zone)

Proposed – PDD (Planned Development District)

General Plan

Designations:

General Plan: Existing – Open Space Parks and Recreation (OS – PR)

Proposed – Very Low Density Residential and OS – PR

Location and Description of the Project:

Location. The Serena Park Project (Project) is located on 131.25 acres of land in north Palm Springs east of Sunrise Way, north of Racquet Club Drive and west of the Whitewater River Floodplain. The property is within Section 1, T.4SR.4E and Section 36, T3S, R4S. See attached Vicinity Map, USGS Quad and Aerial Photo.

Property Configuration. The property configuration is based largely on the fairway alignment of an abandoned golf course and has two distinct subareas: a northern portion (APN 669-480-027, 669-590-066) and a southern portion (APN 501-190-011). These subareas surround two existing residential enclaves including a mobile home park on the north and a condominium/single family development on the south. Contiguous property to the east that contains the Whitewater River Floodplain is also owned by the applicant but is a "remainder parcel" and not part of the project. The overall acreage of 131.25 includes 5.39 acres of public open space; the remaining net acreage of 125.8 will be privately developed (see Exhibit 4 "Conceptual Land Plan" for reference).

Site History. The site was formerly known as the Palm Springs Country Club, which dates back to the 1950's and was originally an extension of the Ranch Club Guest Ranch located on Sunrise Way south of Vista Chino. The property was for a time also known as the Whitewater Country Club and consisted of an 18-hole golf course, a driving range, a golf clubhouse, tennis courts and associated parking. Irrigation was provided by three on-site private wells. The golf course was privately owned and relied on income from daily fee players to sustain the development and eventually was shut down for economic reasons. Today, the site remains vacant, with minimal vegetation and palm trees and has been stabilized with a soil polymer. The landowner currently has an agreement with the City of Palm Springs to mitigate any fugitive dust impacts and continue maintenance activities of the property to preserve the stabilized condition using a mixture of soil polymer and mulch. Gates were recently installed to prevent further disturbance and destabilization by unauthorized access.

Surrounding Uses. Uses surrounding the project are characterized in the following table.

TABLE 1. SURROUNDING USES

	Jurisdiction	General Plan	Zoning	Existing Use	
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East	Palm Springs	VLDR.	PD	SF Residential	
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interior	Palm Springs	MDR	RMHP.	Mobile Home Park	
SOUTHERN SUBJ	1854. :				
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. East	Palm Springs	OSW, Da	W, Ø5	Vacant	
West	Palm Springs	VLDR	RUC	SF Residential	
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The Project is screened from surrounding residential uses by a combination of existing walls, fences, and vegetation. It is also separated by a flood control levee and associated 200-foot wide Riverside County Flood Control District (RCFCD) easement from the Whitewater River floodplain, designated as a "Conservation Area" by the Coachella Valley Multi Species Habitat Conservation Plan (CVMSHCP) in 2008.

Site Constraints. The project site is constrained by existing single family residential lots and two inholdings of medium density residential development, including a 1950's era mobile home park on the north and a condominium community on the south. The property is further constrained by a flood control levee that protects developable land from the Whitewater River Flood Plain. A review of the property configuration reveals that the nominal dimensions needed to satisfy current golf course design practices cannot be achieved on the available land and the concept of reviving a golf centered operation on the property has been dismissed as infeasible.

Project Proposal. The Project proposes to redevelop the former golf course with approximately 429 residential units and a five-acre public park. These will consist of 137 single story, attached residences in the northern portion (Attached Residential Subarea) and 292 detached single-family residences on the southern portion (Single Family Subarea). Housing will include a mix of market rate and senior housing. The three on-site wells historically utilized for golf course irrigation will be retained to irrigate project and public park landscaping via a mutual water company.

Attached Residential Subarea. The northern subarea will be developed with 137 attached, age-restricted, residential units surrounding the Golden Sands Mobile Home Park (Golden Sands) and a vacant parcel under separate ownership. Residential units will include single story buildings in an 8-pack configuration around a central hammerhead courtyard. The site design creates a buffer between the new attached units and the existing mobile home park ranging from approximately 60 to 100 feet wide. A new 6' slumpstone block wall will be constructed on the property line of the southern edge of the subarea, however, leaving individual private walls on adjacent lots intact. The circulation system is designed to take primary access from Sunrise Way (a Major Thoroughfare) via East San Rafael Drive while also retaining the existing Golden Sands East San Rafael entry. A second access point extends from the subarea's southeast corner to connect internally with the project's Single Family subarea to the south.

Single Family Subarea. The southern subarea will be developed with 292 detached, single family lots ranging from 5,000 to 18,500 square feet surrounding the Alexander Estates condominiums/single family homes (Alexander Estates). Larger lots, averaging about 11,900 square feet, will be located adjacent to similar detached homes along the southern and western subarea boundaries. This subarea also includes a looped access road and open space buffer that separates the new residential lots from the existing Alexander Estates project. Smaller lots averaging about 5,050 square feet will be located on a series of cul-de-sacs separated by intervening landscape paseos. These take access from the loop road and terminate at the RCFCD easement. All lots in this area back onto either a landscaped paseo or park area.

This subarea contains various open space components, including approximately 43.4 acres of private common areas/paseos for use by residents and an approximately 5.4-acre public park. Land for the public park will be dedicated to the City and could serve as a trailhead for the future "CV Link" multipurpose regional trail planned along the adjacent levee. Portions of these open space areas will be used for drainage, storm water retention and water quality management purposes.

The primary vehicular entry to this subarea is located at Whitewater Club Drive in the southeast corner of the site. Whitewater Club Drive is a fully improved collector street that connects to East Vista Chino Drive (State Highway 111) approximately half a mile to the south. A secondary access point extends from the subarea's northwest corner to connect internally with the subarea to the north. The design limits access on Country Club Drive to gated Emergency Vehicle Access (EVA) only, which is used rarely and is unavailable to residents of the community.

This portion of the project also creates a 200' wide lot that is coterminous with the existing RCFCD easement. This lot contains the flood control levee and provides a 200' separation between the proposed residential development and adjacent CVMSHCP Conservation Area. The project proposes no construction on this parcel.

Public utilities exist in the vicinity and have the capacity to service the property with some minor upgrades to the water system.

Project Entitlements: The project proposal includes the following entitlements and agreements:

- <u>General Plan Amendment</u>: From "Open Space Parks/Recreation" (OS-P/R) to Very Low Density Residential (VLDR) for the residential portions of the project.
- <u>Planned Development District in lieu of Change of Zone</u>: From "Open Space" (O, O-5) to Planned Development District (PD)
- <u>Tentative Tract Map</u>: To subdivide the property into residential lots, privately owned common areas and a public park.
- <u>Development Agreement:</u> Between the City and the project proponent. Public benefits offered by the project include dedication of a public park, access to the future CV Link Trail along the Whitewater River levee and installation of an innovative public art piece.
- *Major Architectural Approval*: Conceptual architectural and landscape plans will be part of the preliminary PDD.

Construction schedule: The proposed construction schedule is as follows:

Construction	Start	Duration (Approximate)
Rough Grading	September, 2015	15-20 days
Phase 1 Infrastructure	November, 2015	40 days
Building Construction	April, 2016	3yrs 6 months
Start of Homes Sales	September, 2016	N/A

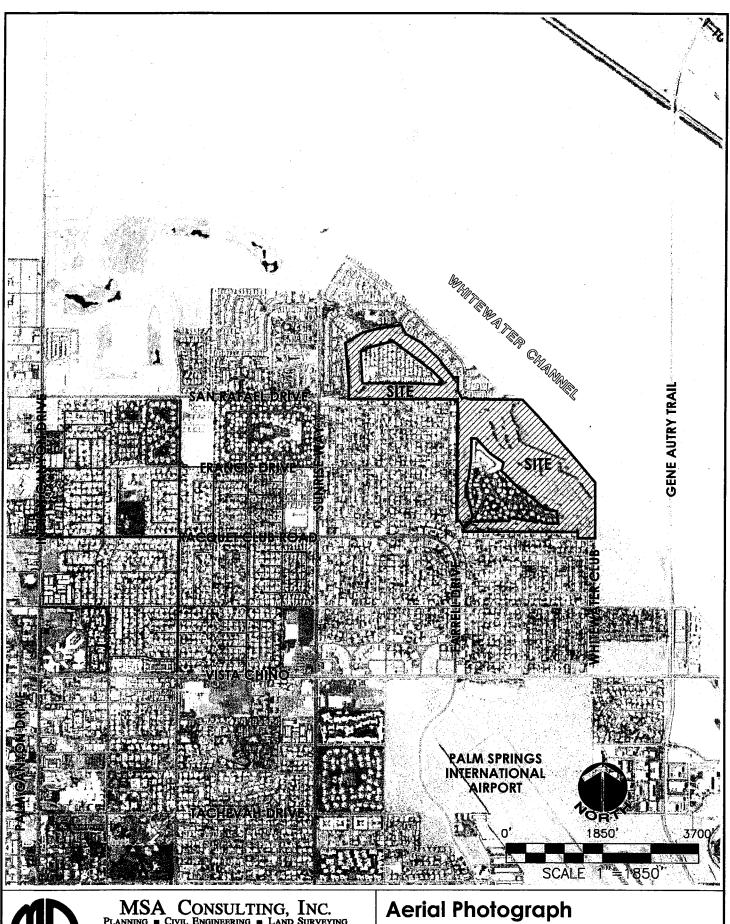
Other public agencies whose approval is required:

- Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB)
- Riverside County Flood Control (RCFC)
- Colorado River Basin Regional Water Control Board
- Desert Water Agency (DWA)
- Riverside County Airport Land Use Commission (RCALUC)

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

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	Aesthetics	Agriculture R	esources			
	Biological Resources	☐ Cultural Reso	urces	Geology/Soils		
	Greenhouse Gases	Hazards & Ha Materials	zardous	Hydrology / Water Quality		
	Land Use / Planning	Mineral Resou	ırces	Noise Noise		
	Population / Housing	Public Service	s	Recreation		
×	Transportation/Traffic	Utilities / Serv	ice Systems	Mandatory Findings of Significance		
DETERMINATION: (To be completed by the Lead Agency) On the basis of this initial evaluation: I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a significant effect on the environment, and a NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.						
	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because revisions in the project have been made by or agreed to by the project proponent. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION will be prepared.					
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	I find that the proposed project MAY have a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant unless mitigated" impact on the environment, but at least one effect 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on attached sheets. An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed.					
	I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION pursuant to applicable standards, and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIR or NEGATIVE DECLARATION, including revisions or mitigation measures that are imposed upon the proposed project, nothing further is required.					
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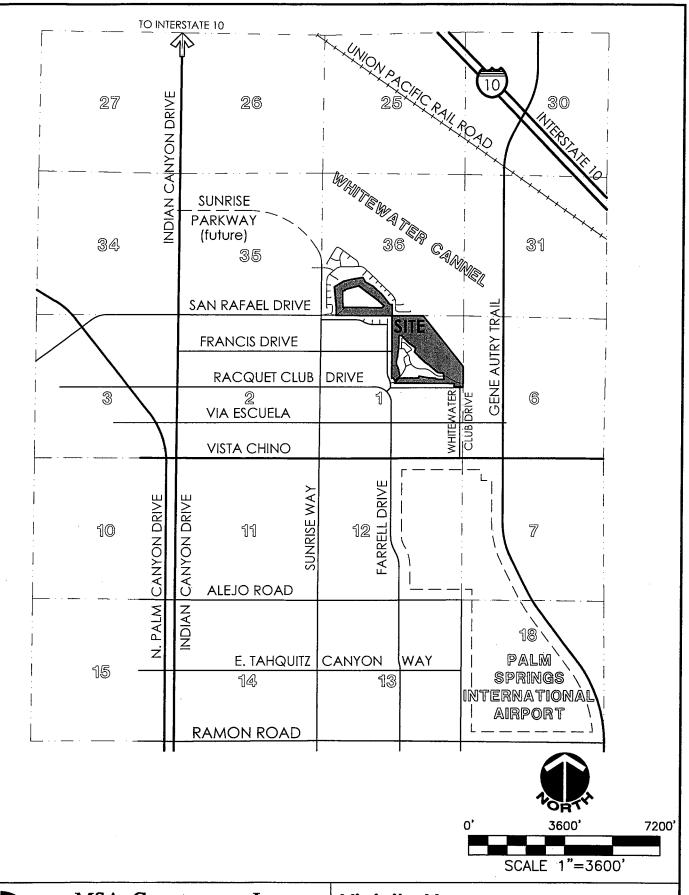
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Exhibit 1

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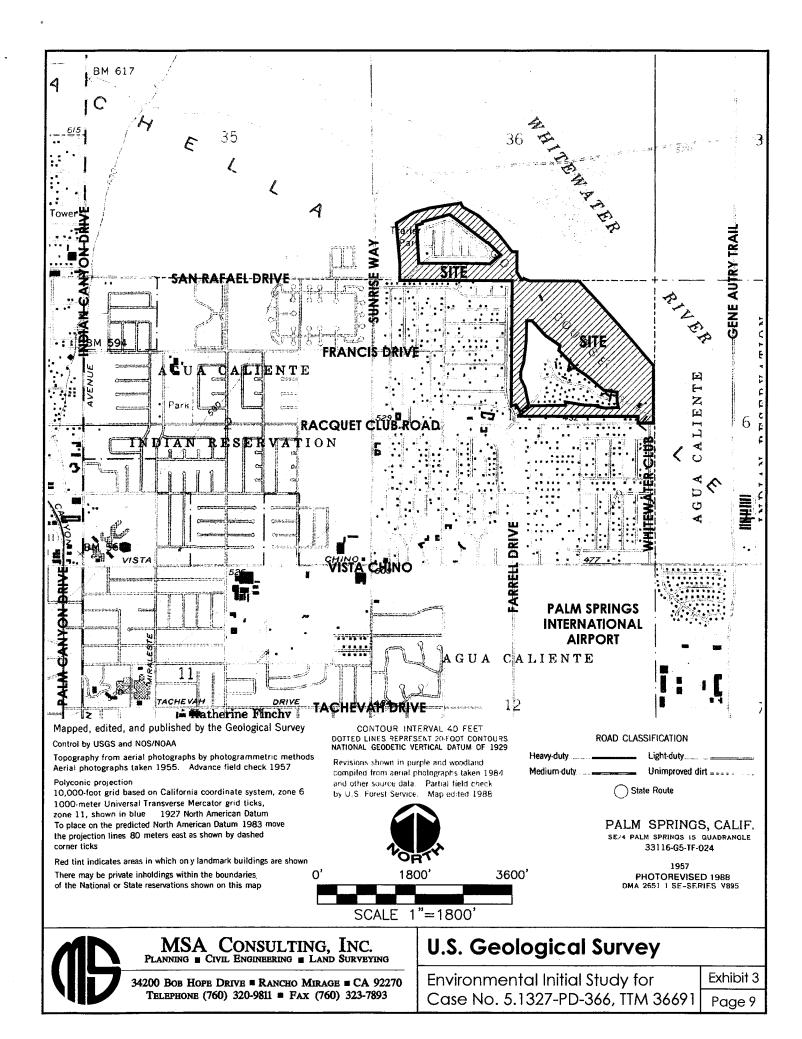
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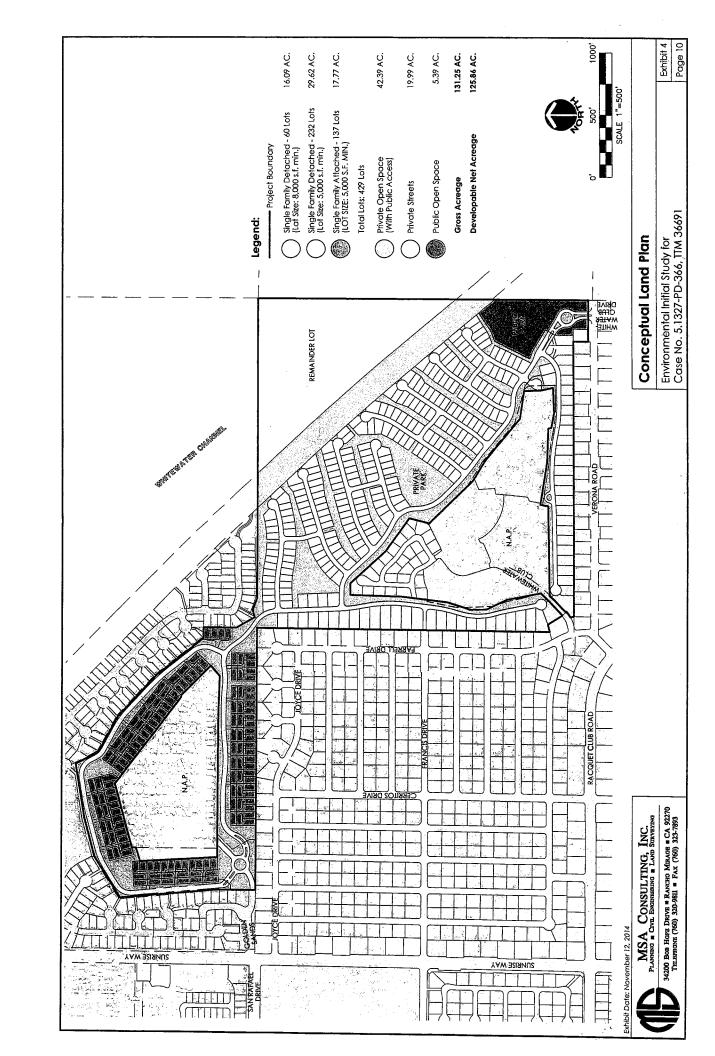
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Exhibit 2

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	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact		
Cumulative Impacts: To be determine Mitigation Measures: To be determined						
d) Create a new source of substantial light glare which would adversely affect day nighttime views in the area?			\boxtimes			
Discussion: The existing project site is uniformly flat and surrounded by residential neighborhoods and the Whitewater River Floodplain. Residential homes and street lights are the primary light sources in the surrounding area. Because residential development does not involve large reflective surfaces, there is no evidence of glare. On vacant desert land to the east, there are no existing sources of either light or glare.						
Environmental impacts would be considered cause substantial glare or if project lighting le project vicinity.	•					
The project will likely include low intensity, City standards and consistent with other develop the project will include security lighting residential areas, adjacent vacant desert land lighting would be minor and not adversely a involve building materials with highly reflective.	elopment in the which will be led to the east, or affect nighttime	area. Private and ow intensity or slow the night sky. As views. Furthern	I public parks on the control of the	established billing into sources of		
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Cumulative Impacts: To be determined in the EIR. Mitigation Measures: To be determined in the EIR.						
a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?	ld the project:					

Discussion:

The proposed residential project will not involve the disturbance or conversion of any designated farmland or other form of agricultural resource. According to the 2008 California Farmland Mapping

Impact Mitigation **Impact** Incorporated No impacts are expected and no further analysis of this topic will be included in the EIR. Cumulative Impacts: None Mitigation Measures: None d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant X hazard to the public or the environment? Discussion: Based on information from the EnviroStor database (November 2014), maintained by the Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC), the project site or surrounding properties are not on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5. Results from the Phase I and II Environmental Assessment prepared by Earth Systems Southwest will be analyzed in the DEIR. However, no impacts to this topic are anticipated. Cumulative Impacts: None Mitigation Measures: None e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the X project area?

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Discussion:

The project is located approximately one half mile from the Palm Springs International Airport. The Palm Springs International Airport is located in the southeastern portion of the city surrounded by mostly industrial, commercial, and limited residential development. The Riverside County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan designates the property as occupying two different compatibility zones. The northern portion of the property is designated as Zone C, and the southern portion is designated as Zone D. The maximum density allowable in Zone C is 3.0 to 15.0 d/u per acre and will be determined at the discretion of the City of Palm Springs. Densities allowable within Zone D have two options, to either limit densities to no more than 0.2 du/ac or a high density option is available at 5.0 du/ac if the average parcel size is greater than 0.2 acres. This option is also dependent upon densities of existing residential developments within the vicinity. The project is proposing Very Low Density Residential (VLDR) and Medium Density Residential (MDR) land uses, VLDR density per the Palm Springs General Plan is up to 4.0 du/ace and the MDR density is up to 15.0 du/ac. These densities comply with the allowable densities in the designated C and D Zones of the Riverside County Airport Land Use Comission Plan.

Less t	han significant impacts are expected, further	analysis will b	oe provided in th	ne project speci	fic EIR.
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f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project result in a safety hazard for people residing or working in the project area?				\boxtimes
The pr	Discussion: roject is not within the vicinity of a private as	irstrip.			
No im	pacts are expected, no further analysis will b	e provided in	the project speci	ific EIR.	
	Cumulative Impacts: None Mitigation Measures: None				
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			\boxtimes	
Discussion: The proposed Project is not expected to impair implementation of or physically interfere with the City's adopted emergency response plan or evacuation plan. The project will be conditioned to adhere to the provisions of the local emergency plan and the California Emergency Services Act. Project design will be reviewed by the City Fire Department.					
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h)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildla fires, including where wildlands are adjacent ourbanized areas or where residences are intermixed with wildlands?	and		\boxtimes	
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adjacent to or intermixed with areas susceptible to wildland fires. Few wildland fires have occurred in

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		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
	Mitigation Measures: To be determine	ned in the EIR			
b)	Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal progra or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?	ral			
	Discussion:				
the gamen Amen would	xisting City General Plan Land Use is "olf course that formerly occupied the dment (GPA) to "Very Low Density Relateration remove any land use inconsistency. Wal of the proposed GPA, the project will	e site. The esidential" (V) The proposed	proposed Project LDR) over the prop I public park woul	includes a Ge osed residential d remain OS-F	neral Plan l areas that P/R. With
over t Open	ding to the City of Palm Springs Zoning he northern subarea and "O5" over the Land Zones with a Planned Development.	southern sub	area. The project	proposes to rep	place these
with t	eview of the project will result in cond he area and complies with all applical as stated above, the project would be tions.	ble City and	agency design stan	dards. Therefor	re, for the
regula	dingly, the Project is not expected to tion and impacts related to this topic we provided in the project specific EIR.				
	Cumulative Impacts: To be determine Mitigation Measures: To be determined				
c)	Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural communit conservation plan?	у		\boxtimes	
	Discussion:				

regional plan which outlines policies for conservation of habitats and natural communities throughout the Coachella Valley. However, the project lies outside any designated Conservation Area and creates a 200' wide lot (containing the flood control levee) that buffers the Project from the adjacent CVMSHCP

The project is subject to the Coachella Valley Multi Species Habitat Conservation Plan (CVMSHCP), a

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
Cumulative Impacts: None				
Mitigation Measures: None				
XII. NOISE Would the project result in:				
a) Exposure of persons to or generation of noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?				

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Discussion:

The project site was previously used as a golf course. No structures or dwellings are currently present on the project site. Surrounding land uses include residential uses and conservation land. The nearest freeway is Interstate 10 located approximately 1.5 miles to the northeast and the nearest Highway is State Highway 111 (Vista Chino Drive) located .5 miles to the south.

The City of Palm Springs General Plan Environmental Impact Report addresses noise impacts within city limits. The project is not located within a CNEL Noise Contour Level established by the City of Palm Springs General Plan EIR. The City of Palm Springs General Plan Environmental Impact Report conducted noise level studies along major roads within the city. Distances to measured noise levels are listed below:

Measurements apply to Gene Autry Trail between Highway 111 and Interstate 10. Measurements denote the distance from street centerline to noise threshold level.

CNEL @ 50 Feet	Distance to 70	Distance to 65	Distance to 60
	dBA CNEL	dBA CNEL	dBA CNEL
76.4 dBA	134 Feet	288 Feet	621 Feet

The project is located approximately 1,500 feet west of Gene Autry Trail, the project Noise Study included in the project specific EIR will provide further analysis.

The project is located approximately one half mile from the Palm Springs Airport. The Palm Springs International Airport is located in the eastern portion of the city surrounded by mostly industrial, commercial, and limited residential development. The City of Palm Springs considers residential development acceptable within the Airport vicinity if residential areas do not extend into the 62 CNEL Noise Contour. The project site is not located within any noise contour attributed to the Palm Springs Airport. Furthermore, the Palm Springs Airport Land Use Plan does not identify the project as being within its planning area.

Construction noise could be significant, however it will not present significant long-term impacts on the project site or the surrounding area.

Furthermore, construction activities on-site shall take place only during the permitted hours established

		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
e)	For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?	ect			
	Discussion:				
International Communication of the Communication of	roject is located approximately one hal ational Airport is located in the easted ercial, and limited residential development acceptable within the Airport vin Contour. The project site is not located to Furthermore, the Palm Springs Airport its planning area.	ern portion of oment. The (cinity if reside ed within any report Land Use	the city surround City of Palm Spri ential areas do not noise contour attrib Plan does not ide	led by mostly ngs considers extend into the outed to the Pal ntify the projec	industrial, residential 62 CNEL m Springs et as being
	rence to a project specific Noise Study.	•	will be provided in	i the project sp	come Enc
	Cumulative Impacts: To be determine Mitigation Measures: To be determined				
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expopeople residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?		· · □		
	Discussion:				
No im	oject is not located within the vicinity of pacts are expected, no further analysis we specific Noise Study.	-	-	cific EIR in refe	erence to a
	Cumulative Impacts: None				
	Mitigation Measures: None				
	POPULATION AND HOUSING - Wo	2 0	t:		
a)	Induce substantial population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through exter of roads or other infrastructure)?	7		\boxtimes	П

Potentially Significant Impact Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated Less Than Significant Impact

No Impact

Discussion:

The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) is the appointed county congestion management agency for the County of Riverside. The 2011 Congestion Management Program (CMP) is set forth to directly link land use, transportation, and air quality, thereby prompting reasonable growth management programs that will effectively utilize new transportation funds, alleviate traffic congestion and related impacts, and improve air quality.

In coordination with the Congestion Management Program (CMP), the Coachella Valley Association of Governments (CVAG) has implemented a valley-wide traffic monitoring program. Traffic count information obtained in CVAG's 2011 Traffic Census Report in conjunction with the CMP data indicates that there are no deficiencies near the project. Project implementation is not anticipated to conflict with the implementation or performance of the regional CMP.

Less than significant impacts are anticipated. Potential project impacts will be further analyzed in the EIR in reference to a project-specific Traffic Study.

Cumulative Impacts: To be determined in the EIR.

Mitigation Measures: To be determined in the EIR.

c) Result in a change in air traffic patterns, including either an increase in traffic levels or a change in location that results in substantial safety risks?

Discussion:

The proposed project is not of such a size or nature to cause noticeable changes in air traffic levels, patterns or a change in traffic location. The project is not located within the Palm Springs International Airport Planning Area. The Riverside County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan designates the property as occupying two different compatibility zones. The northern portion of the property and surrounding development is designated as Zone C, and the southern portion is designated as Zone D. The maximum density allowable in Zone C is 3.0 to 15.0 d/u per acre and will be determined at the discretion of the City of Palm Springs. Densities allowable within Zone D are dependent upon densities of existing residential developments within the vicinity. The project is expected to comply with the standards set forth within the Riverside County Airport Land Use Compatibility Plan.

Less than significant impacts are expected, no further analysis will be provided in the project specific EIR.

Cumulative Impacts: None **Mitigation Measures:** None

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RIVERSIDE COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Department of Planning and Building Post Office Box 2743 Palm Springs, CA 92263-2743 Attention: David A. Newell TTM 36691 Ladies and Gentlemen: Re: The District does not normally recommend conditions for land divisions or other land use cases in incorporated cities. The District also does not plan check city land use cases, or provide State Division of Real Estate letters or other flood hazard reports for such cases. District comments/recommendations for such cases are normally limited to items of specific interest to the District including District Master Drainage Plan facilities, other regional flood control and drainage facilities which could be considered a logical component or extension of a master plan system, and District Area Drainage Plan fees (development mitigation fees). In addition, information of a general nature is provided. The District has not reviewed the proposed project in detail and the following checked comments do not in any way constitute or imply District approval or endorsement of the proposed project with respect to flood hazard, public health and safety or any other such issue: No comment. This project involves District Master Plan facilities. The District will accept ownership of such facilities on written request of the City. Facilities must be constructed to District standards, and District plan check and inspection will be required for District acceptance. Plan check, inspection and administrative fees will be Х required. Palm Springs MDP Line "3" Whitewater River west bank Levee is not a currently certified levee through FEMA. The District is in the process of gathering the necessary levee certification documentation to provide to FEMA. However, due to prove the process of gathering the necessary levee certification documentation to provide to FEMA. However, due to currently has a consultant performing a Geotechnical evaluation of the levee. By August 2015, we should have a report compiled with any levee deficiencies (including structural, geotechnical and freeboard deficiencies) that need to be fixed prior to levee certification. Once certified, this area will be designated on the FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) as being protected from the 1 percent annual chance or greater flood hazard by a levee system. Overtopping or failure of any levee system is possible. To mitigate flood risk in residual risk areas, property owners and residents are encouraged to consider flood insurance and floodproofing or other protective measures. Χ__ An encroachment permit shall be obtained for any construction related activities occurring within District right of way or facilities. For further information, contact the District's encroachment permit section at 951.955.1266. Whitewater Right Bank Levee The Districts previous comments are still valid.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This project may require a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit from the State Water Resources Control Board. Clearance for grading, recordation or other final approval should not be given until the City has determined that the project has been granted a permit or is shown to be exempt.

If this project involves a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) mapped flood plain, then the City should require the applicant to provide all studies, calculations, plans and other information required to meet FEMA requirements, and should further require that the applicant obtain a Conditional Letter of Map Revision (CLOMR) prior to grading, recordation or other final approval of the project, and a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) prior to occupancy.

If a natural watercourse or mapped flood plain is impacted by this project, the City should require the applicant to obtain a Section 1602 Agreement from the California Department of Fish and Game and a Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, or written correspondence from these agencies indicating the project is exempt from these requirements. A Clean Water Act Section 401 Water Quality Certification may be required from the local California Regional Water Quality Control Board prior to issuance of the Corps 404 permit.

Very truly yours, Schorah de Chambeay DEBORAH DE CHAMBEAU

Senior Civil Engineer

Riverside County Planning Department Attn: Kristi Lovelady

Date: <u>January 16, 2015</u>