

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

DATE:

October 5, 2016

PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT:

DEVELOP GOOD, LLC FOR A MAJOR ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AMENDMENT TO CONSTRUCT A 66-ROOM, THREE-STORY HOTEL BUILDING WITHIN THE PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING COMPLEX LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE (CASE NOS. 3.3937)

MAJ AND 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND).

FROM:

David H. Ready, City Manager

BY:

Department of Planning Services

SUMMARY

The City Council will consider a Major Architectural Application and proposed amendment to an established Planned Development District (PD-131) for the subject project. The applicant seeks approval to construct a 66-room hotel adjacent to the pool and former "Hacienda Cantina" building located at the northeast corner of the property.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. Open the hearing and receive public testimony; and
- 2. Adopt Resolution No. _____ "A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS, CALIFORNIA ADOPTING A NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND APPROVING CASE NOS. 3.3937 MAJ AND 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 66-ROOM HOTEL WITHIN THE EXISTING PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING CENTER LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE."

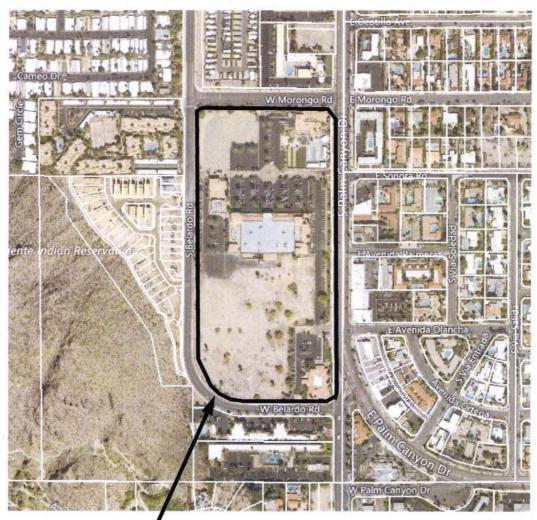
ISSUES:

 Building height. Due to the proposed building height, the building is subject to the High-rise Ordinance (Palm Springs Zoning Code Section 93.04.00), which requires greater setbacks and open space than the typical underlying zoning requirements. The building meets required setbacks, but the project does not comply with the higher open space requirement. The Commission and Council have authority to reduce open space requirements, per Section 94.03.00(C)(5)(b) of the Zoning Code. Design. The architectural design of the hotel building is significantly different from rest of shopping center; the Planning Commission had requested minor design modifications to reference the materials and details used elsewhere in the center.

BACKGROUND AND SETTING:

The project is located within a partially developed shopping complex known as Plaza Del Sol. The 17-acre site is bounded by streets on all sides with Palm Canyon Drive to the east, Morongo Road to the north and Belardo Road to the west and south. The site has five vehicular access points from the surrounding streets.

The parcel was approved as a two-phase development. The first phase consisted of the commercial buildings on the northerly half of the site and a bank building at the southeast corner of the site. On the remaining southerly half of the site, the second phase consisted of an RV park, which was never constructed. Existing buildings reflect a Spanish-Mediterranean design. Structures range from 26 feet to 40 feet in height.



OVERALL SITE



HOTEL SITE

Most Recent Change of Ownership	
2000	Purchase by the current owner / applicant

Neighborhood	I Meeting	
Sept. 6, 2016	Developer held a neighborhood meeting with about 25 attendees.	Staff was present to
	observe the applicant's presentation and community input.	

Past City Action	Past City Actions		
Nov 4, 1981	The City Council approved PD 131 for commercial complex.		
Apr 21, 1982	The City Council approved final development plans for Phase I of PD 131.		
Jul 18, 1984	The City Council approved final development plans for restaurant building at northeas corner of site.		
Jul 20, 1994	The City Council approved a PD Amendment to allow other uses consistent with the C-1 Zone within Building F (currently occupied by Stein Mart).		
Apr 4, 2016	The Architectural Advisory Committee (AAC) reviewed the proposed 66-room hotel and tabled the item with direction to provide: • Additional exhibits to understand the proposed project in context with the existing		
	 shopping center Color and material samples of the proposed hotel and existing restaurant building Details on pedestrian and vehicle circulation 		

May 2, 2016	The AAC recommended approval of the project, subject to a subcommittee review of the
	following:
	Increase shading in the parking lot by adding more Palo Verde trees.
	Remove eight (8) parking spaces and convert into landscape buffer with variation in heights to soften the transition to the parking lot.
	3. Add trees and landscape, if necessary, to the north and south side of the hotel to soften the façade of the building.
	Submit a new landscape plan for South Palm Canyon Drive section showing more
	height and dramatic landscaping.
	5. Revise the sidewalk flatwork design at south stair tower.
	6. Modify the landscape plan to show the existing olive trees as currently located.
Aug. 10, 2016	The Planning Commission held a public hearing and continued the item to September 14,
	2016, with direction to the applicant to consider the following:
	Integrating colors of existing building into the new building;
	2. Studying stairwell on north and south elevations with additional articulation on hotel;
	3. Additional 15-ft setback and open space between proposed building and the existing
	pool area;
	4. Choosing alternative to wood material;
	5. Incorporating materials from existing building;
	6. Holding a neighborhood outreach meeting and reporting back to the Commission
Sept. 14, 2016	The Planning Commission recommended the City Council adopt a Negative Declaration
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General Plan, Zoning and Existing Land Uses of Subject Site and Surrounding Area				
Surrounding Property	Existing General Plan Designations	Existing Land Use	Existing Zoning Designations	
Subject Property	NCC (Neighborhood / Community Commercial)	Partially developed commercial center	PD-131 (Planned Development District 131) & I.L. (Indian Land)	
North	NCC	Hotel and R.V. park	C-1 (Retail Business), R-3 (Multi-family Residential & Hotel), & PD-17, I.L.	
South	TRC (Tourist Resort Commercial)	Hotel	PD-58	
East	TRC	Hotel and commercial properties	C-1	
West	HDR (High Density Residential)	Residential complexes (one under construction)	PD-365 and R-3	

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The applicant seeks approval to construct a three-story, 66-room hotel on an open area located adjacent to the restaurant and pool at the northeast corner of the site. The westerly end of the existing restaurant building will be modified to accommodate the hotel lobby, meeting space and back-of-house functions. The easterly end will remain a restaurant with new outdoor seating space. The parking lot on the west side of the project will be expanded.

The new hotel building will total 29,712-square feet in size. Each floor contains 22-rooms. All rooms will be 350-square feet in size and have a private patio or balcony space. The pool and its surrounding lounge/cabana space will remain and operate as a function of the hotel. The pool area is available to hotel guests and the general public.

ANALYSIS:

General Plan

Land Use Designation	Request	Compliance
Neighborhood/Community Commercial (0.35 FAR). Areas designated as Neighborhood/Community Commercial provide an opportunity for convenience commercial uses that serve adjacent residential neighborhoods. The commercial opportunities created under this designation are intended to be an integrated element of the neighborhood, providing to nearby residents services such as dry cleaners, grocery stores, bakeries, bank and post office branches, bookstores, drugstores, and smaller-scale restaurants. Harmonious relationships between these commercial uses and adjacent residential uses shall be achieved through compatibility of site design, building scale, pathways and circulation design, and architectural treatment of structures.	Expansion of commercial space with 0.16 FAR	Yes

Zoning

Permitted Uses:

The subject site is zoned PD-131. The underlying zoning is C-1, and pursuant to Section 92.12.01(A)(28) of the Palm Springs Zoning Code (PSZC), hotels are permitted by right within the C-1 zone, subject to R-3 development standards.

The site is also within the R (Resort) overlay zone. Pursuant to Section 92.25.00 of the (PSZC), this overlay zone was established in certain areas of the city to encourage visitor accommodations and services and guard against competing residential land uses. The proposed use is consistent with this overlay zone.

Development Standards:

92.04.03	R-3 Requirements	Proposed Project	Conform
A. Lot Area	20,000 sq. ft.	17 acres	Yes
B. Lot Dimensions			
1. Min. Width	170 feet	575 feet	Yes
2. Min. Depth	150 feet	1,260 feet	Yes
	Minimum of 1,000 sq. ft. of lot per	More than 66,000 sq.	Yes
	hotel room	ft. of lot area to	
		accommodate 66	
		rooms	

D. Building Height	30ft, except when developed as high-rise (up to 100ft), pursuant to Section 94.03.00 of Palm Springs Zoning Ordinance (PSZO) – see below.	34 feet, when approved under high-rise ordinance – see Building Height analysis below.	Yes
E. Yards			
2. Front			
- Morongo Road	25 feet	102 feet	Yes
3. Side			-
- Palm Canyon Drive	30 feet	110 feet	Yes
- South Belardo Road	20 feet	375 feet	Yes
4. Rear			
- West Belardo Road	10 feet, except structures in excess of 12ft in height shall have setback equal to its height	1,000 feet	Yes
F. Distance Between Buildings	15 feet	22 feet	Yes
G. Walls, Fences and Landscape	Section 93.02.00 applies	Per ordinance	Yes
H. Access	Access required from street	Existing to remain	Yes
I. Off-street Parking	Commercial: 1 space per 250 gross floor area.	Existing Commercial space: 351 spaces required.	
	Hotel: - First 50 rooms: 1 space per each room More than 50 rooms: 1 space per	Proposed hotel w/ 66 rooms requires 62 spaces.	
	0.75 rooms.	Total Req'd: 413 Total Prop'd: 450	Yes
	Parking Lot Shading: Trees, of suitable eventual size, spread and climatic conditioning, shall be placed throughout the parking area to provide adequate shade	Existing shading inadequate for 207 spaces (50% of required) on site.	No
	for 50% of the parking area, which is calculated by the approximate crown diameter of each tree at fifteen (15) years of age.	Additional parking lot shade trees, such as Palo Verdes or Mesquites, are required	
J. Off-street Loading and Trash	- One trash enclosure with 9-ft wide opening required.	- Utilizing existing trash enclosures	- Yes
	- Off-street loading space required and may be located in driveways if approved by Planning Commission	- Off-street loading space proposed in driveway	- Yes, if approved by PC

3.04.00	High Rise Ordinance	Proposed Project	Comply
A. Coverage	60% of site shall be developed as usable landscape open space / outdoor living. 40% for building and parking	56% Open space, landscape & hardscape 44% Buildings, streets/driveways	No
B. Height	Indian Land: 100 feet. This includes appurtenances, stairways, elevators and mechanical equipment if not adding to building bulk	34 feet	Yes
C. Height Setback	1 foot of horizontal setback from the short dimension of the lot and 1½ foot from the long dimension of the lot for each 1 foot of vertical rise, as measured from the property lines.	North property line: - Required: 51 feet - Proposed: 102 feet to hotel East property line: - Required: 34 feet	Yes
		- Proposed: 110 feet to hotel West property line: - Required: 34 feet	Yes
		- Proposed: 375+ feet to hotel South property line: - Required: 51 feet - Proposed: 1,000 feet to hotel	Yes
D. Proximity to Low Density Residential	6 feet of horizontal setback for each 1 foot of vertical rise as measured above. This applies when building is adjacent to or across the street from an R-1 zone or property in an area designated low density residential by the General Plan.	N/A – Not adjacent to or across street from R-1 zone or general plan low-density residential development	-
F. Building Design	High-rise buildings shall be designed to insure that each structure fits into the resort character of the community and blends in with the natural surroundings.	Buildings within center reach similar heights and will not be out of character for built environment. See Architectural Review analysis below.	-
G. City Council	Council may alter these provisions upon finding that the intent of this section is met.		-

In addition to the above, Planned Development Districts are to establish separate criteria for property development standards. Section 94.03.00(C) of the Zoning Code lists each criterion to be reviewed and established. Each standard is provided below along with staff's analysis on conformity.

The planning commission and the city council shall establish a full range of development standards appropriate to the orderly development of the site which shall include the following:

1. Building heights shall conform to the requirements of the underlying zoning district. Structures which exceed permitted heights shall be subject to the requirements of Sections 93.03.00 (Building Height) and 93.04.00

(High Rise).

The proposed building is approximately 34 feet in height. The high-rise ordinance allows buildings up to 100 feet in height on Indian Land with the approval of a PD. As it was approved and constructed, the Planned Development (PD-131) has buildings ranging from 26 feet to 40 feet in height. Thus, the project is consistent with the high-rise ordinance and the existing building heights in PD-131.

2. Parking and loading requirements shall be subject to the requirements of Sections 93.06.00 and 93.07.00, respectively. The planning commission and the city council may modify such requirements based upon the submittal of a specific parking plan.

As shown in the analysis in this report, the proposed project will provide additional parking on-site and exceed the minimum off-street parking requirements for a development of this size. Loading spaces will occur in the existing restaurant loading area to the north of the new hotel building.

3. Front yard setbacks compatible with the existing or potential development adjacent and/or opposite from existing development shall be required to provide for an orderly and uniform transition along the streetscape to preserve, protect and enhance the properties adjacent to the proposed PD. Non-peripheral areas of the PD shall not be subject to this requirement but shall be determined by approval of the preliminary development plan by the planning commission.

The existing development patterns along the Palm Canyon Drive corridor include a mix of buildings that are set back from the street or adjacent to the sidewalk. The existing developed site has a mix of these building types. The proposed building will be set back from the street, which further adds to this mix. Thus, the proposed building setbacks are harmonious with this existing development pattern along this corridor.

4. Minimum lot frontage not less than that of existing lots adjacent and/or opposite from existing developments shall be required to provide for an orderly and uniform transition along the streetscape to preserve, protect and enhance the properties adjacent to a proposed PD. Nonperipheral areas of the PD shall not be subject to this requirement but shall be determined by approval of the preliminary development plan by the planning commission.

The project is sited in a commercial district with lots of varying width. The site is one of the largest in the area. The proposed building will be integrated with the existing building at the street corner, and continue the streetscape in a harmonious manner along Palm Canyon Drive.

5. Open space for planned districts shall be equal to or greater than the

minimum open space requirement for the zone in which the planned district is located, unless otherwise approved by the planning commission and city council. Recreational areas, drainage facilities and other manmade structures may be considered to meet a part of the open space requirements.

The proposed project provides 56% open space, which is in compliance with the minimum of 45% for the R-3 zone (hotel developments are subject to R-3 zone standards when proposed in a C-1 Zone). The high-rise ordinance requires 60% open space. Pursuant to Section 93.04.00(C)(5)(b) of the Zoning Code, the Planning Commission and City Council may establish an alternative open space standard for commercial and mixed-use developments.

Discussion of Public Benefit:

Pursuant the City Council 2008 policy on Public Benefit on Planned Developments, the applicant is to propose some form of public benefit "proportional to the nature, type and extent of the flexibility granted from the standards and provisions of the Palm Springs Zoning Code" and may only be considered a public benefit "when it exceeds the level of improvement needed to mitigate a project's environmental impacts or comply with dedication or exactions which are imposed on all projects such as Quimby Act, public art fees utility undergrounding, etc."

The applicant is seeking the following relief via the Planned Development District:

• Reduced open space requirement from 60% to 56%.

The applicant has proposed the following Public Benefits:

- 1. Reopening and resizing an existing vacant restaurant to a more neighborhood sustainable size with an active use.
- 2. Reenergizing a low occupancy shopping center with an active daily use.
- 3. Creating over 80 fulltime jobs.
- 4. Creating TOT revenue for the city of est. \$232,000 a year or \$2.32 million over the next 10 years. The property currently generates zero dollars.
- 5. Willingness to assume the remaining outstanding liability of the Economic Development Focus Incentive Area Program Grant and enter into a new agreement along the lines of the original contract.

Staff notes the following related to the City Council policy on Public Benefits:

- The project as a Public Benefit The project fulfills key General Plan objectives for economic development, as follows:
 - The proposed architecture enhances the retail center and provides a pleasant, convenient and visually appealing shopping and work

opportunity for the city (Community Design Goal CD 17).

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

The project was reviewed by the Planning Commission at two public hearings: August 10, 2016 and September 14, 2016. At its last review, the Commission recommended approval of the project and included the following as a part of the motion:

- 1. Applicant to pay outstanding sewer connection fees.
- 2. South stairwell may be modified from current design.
- 3. Parking lot shade trees to be a minimum of 36-inch box sizes with preference of 42-inch or 48-inch sizes where possible. Existing Olive Trees may remain in parking lot.
- 4. Chapter 11 of Municipal Code Noise ordinance to be enforced and can only be modified upon approval at a public hearing.
- 5. Limited outdoor amplification to be from 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM.
- 6. Guitar/instruments and DJ's are permissible on weekends and shall not exceed decibels of the City Noise Ordinance. Patrons should be able to conduct normal conversations while entertainment is occurring.
- 7. Recommend the Council accept Applicant's payment on outstanding balance of Economic Development Focus Incentive Areas Program Grant issued for the property improvements.

The applicant has agreed to these recommendations, and staff has included them as conditions in the draft resolution attached to this report. The last item (#7) is not in the conditions, but staff will work with the applicant, where legally possible, to accept payment on the outstanding balance for the grant funds previously awarded to the prior operator.

REQUIRED FINDINGS:

The proposal requires that findings be made for the following applications:

- Planned Development District
- Architectural Review

The Planning Commission made findings for each application, based on the analysis provided below.

Planned Development District: A Planned Development District is subject to the requirements of Zoning Code Section 94.02.00. An analysis of all required findings for a PD in lieu of zone change is provided below:

The City Council shall not approve a PD unless it finds as follows:

a. That the use applied for at the location set forth in the application is properly one for which a PD is authorized by this Zoning Code;

The property is zoned PD-131 and has an underlying zone of C-1. Uses permitted in the C-1 zone include hotels, restaurants, retail stores, offices and other similar commercial uses. Therefore, the hotel use applied for at the subject site is authorized by the Zoning Code.

b. That the use is necessary or desirable for the development of the community, is in harmony with the various elements or objectives of the general plan, and is not detrimental to existing uses or to future uses specifically permitted in the zone in which the proposed use is to be located;

The proposed hotel use will operate within an existing, partially developed shopping center that is situated along a commercial corridor, Palm Canyon Drive. The use is desirable in the proposed location since the site falls within the Resort Combining Overlay zone, which encourages accommodations and services for visitors to the city.

The land use designation of the site is NCC (Neighborhood/Community Commercial), which allows a variety of convenience commercial uses that provide an opportunity to serve nearby residential neighborhoods. The Planned Development currently offers many of these commercial uses, and the addition of the proposed hotel will expand services offered through transient accommodations and accessory pool/recreation space open that is available to the public. Therefore, the proposed use is in harmony with the various elements of the General Plan.

The proposed hotel will be integrated with the existing restaurant building at the street corner. Hotels, restaurants and other commercial uses are permitted within the underlying C-1 zone. Therefore, the use is not anticipated to be detrimental to existing or future uses allowed in the zone.

c. That the site for the intended use is adequate in size and shape to accommodate such use, including yards, setbacks, walls or fences, landscaping and other features required in order to adjust such use to those existing or permitted future uses of land in the neighborhood;

The project consists of an overall 17-acre site that is partially developed as a shopping center. A mix of building are scattered throughout the site with off-street parking and internal driveways. The proposed hotel will be constructed adjacent to an existing restaurant building and pool area. The 34-ft high structure will be exceed setback requirements, ensuring adequate distance from adjacent streets, and incorporated within the existing recreation space previously part of a larger pool area. Parking will be added to the west of the building, and additional landscaping will be installed to soften the built environment. Therefore, the commercial site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the proposed hotel use.

d. That the site for the proposed use relates to streets and highways properly designed and improved to carry the type and quantity of traffic to be generated by the proposed use;

According to the Focused Traffic Analysis prepared for the project, the proposed development is projected to generate approximately 589 daily vehicle trips, 45 of which will occur during the morning peak hour and 47 of which will occur during the evening peak hour. While this is an increase in traffic on the city's circulation system, the Focused Traffic Analysis indicates that the study area intersections are currently operating at acceptable levels of service (LOS) and will continue to operate at acceptable levels following construction of the project. Therefore, the site for the proposed use will be adequately served by existing streets.

e. That the conditions to be imposed and shown on the approved site plan are deemed necessary to protect the public health, safety and general welfare and may include minor modification of the zone's property development standards.

A set of draft conditions of approval are proposed and attached to this staff report as Exhibit "A" to ensure the public health, safety and general welfare are protected.

Architectural Review: The Planning Commission evaluated the proposal against the architectural review guidelines, pursuant to Section 94.04.00 of the Zoning Code, and made the following findings:

1. Does the proposed development provide a desirable environment for its occupants?

The project provides amenities common of a hotel, including outdoor recreation, pool space and private patios, and will be integrated within a commercial complex that provides other services, such as restaurant and retail facilities.

2. Is the proposed development compatible with the character of adjacent and surrounding developments?

Existing development in the project vicinity includes structures of varied heights, architectural character and age. The building is harmonious with mid-century modern vernacular of other buildings in the surrounding area (i.e. Musicland Hotel).

3. Is the proposed development of good composition, materials, textures, and colors?

The project architecture is contemporary. Rhythmic shapes and patterns create visual interest and shadow on the new structure. Color, texture and material composition are harmonious and establish an attractive architectural presence.

4. Site layout, orientation, location of structures and relationship to one another and to open spaces and topography. Definition of pedestrian and vehicular areas; i.e., sidewalks as distinct from parking lot areas;

Pedestrian and vehicular spaces are clearly defined. The site layout and orientation of the structure relate well within the context of the commercial center in which it is proposed. A drop-off and covered entry on the west side of the building will establish the pedestrian entry from the parking area.

5. Harmonious relationship with existing and proposed adjoining developments and in the context of the immediate neighborhood / community, avoiding both excessive variety and monotonous repetition, but allowing similarity of style, if warranted;

The proposed land use is consistent with other uses in the area. However, the design of the new building deviates from the existing structures within the shopping center, which are of Spanish-Mediterranean influence.

6. Maximum height, area, setbacks and overall mass, as well as parts of any structure (buildings, walls, screens, towers or signs) and effective concealment of all mechanical equipment;

Height and setbacks are consistent with the zoning code and appropriate for the threestory structure. All rooftop mechanical units will be screened from surroundings streets and properties.

7. Building design, materials and colors to be sympathetic with desert surroundings;

The building is proposed in white stucco and anodized aluminum windows. Building recesses provide shade for each hotel room and allow guests enjoy the desert surrounding.

8. Harmony of materials, colors and composition of those elements of a structure, including overhangs, roofs, and substructures which are visible simultaneously

Lighter earth tones are found in the immediate area. The proposed materials and colors are used in consistent manner around the building and when visible simultaneously.

9. Consistency of composition and treatment

Proposed building elevations include a recurring geometry with solids, voids and material treatment.

10. Location and type of planting, with regard for desert climate conditions. Preservation of specimen and landmark trees upon a site, with proper irrigation to insure maintenance of all plant materials

The proposed landscape plans are consistent with desert appropriate trees and plants. Existing Olive trees are to be maintained. Mature shade trees at a minimum size of 36-inch boxes are most appropriate for the parking lot.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION:

The proposed development is a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Section 21000 et. seq. (CEQA). An Initial Study was prepared and considered all required CEQA issues, including but not limited to aesthetics, air quality, cultural resources, land use, hydrology and traffic. The Initial Study concluded that all of the project's potentially significant impacts will be less than significant. On this basis, a Negative Declaration (ND) is proposed for the project.

A 30-day public comment period for the Negative Declaration commenced on July 9, 2016 and ended on August 7, 2016. The only comment on the ND was from the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, requesting cultural monitoring as a part of the construction phase. Staff has included this requirement in the draft conditions attached to this report.

CONCLUSION:

The project complies with the development standards of the underlying zone and PD. However, the proposal does not meet the 60% open space requirement as a high-rise project and requests 56% open space instead. The height of the hotel is consistent with other buildings in the shopping center, and although the architecture is different than the other buildings in the shopping center, the hotel is a unique design that will be consistent with other modern architecture along the Palm Canyon Drive corridor. Further, the AAC and Planning Commission recommended conditional approval of the project. A draft resolution of approval is attached for City Council consideration.

SUBMITTED:

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Attachments:

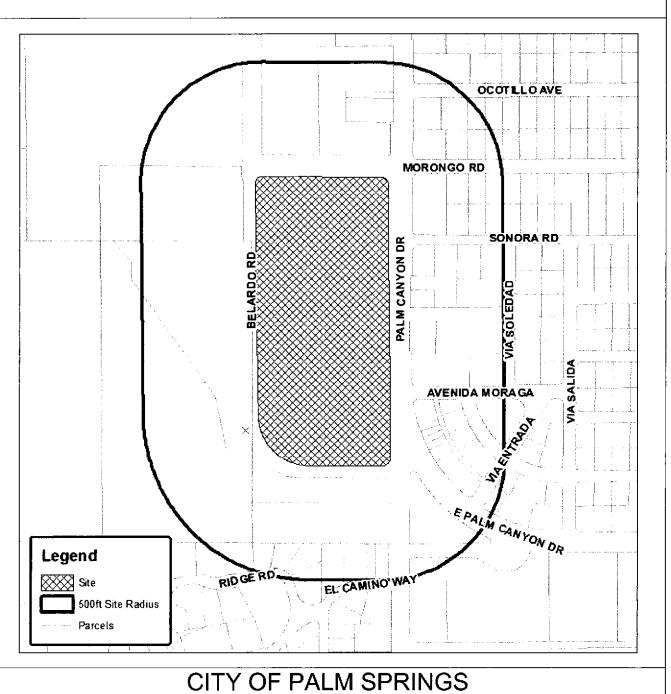
- 1. Vicinity Map
- 2. Draft Resolution with Conditions
- 3. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes of August 10, 2016 (excerpt)
- 4. Architectural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2016 and May 2, 2016 (excerpts)
- 5. City Council Policy Statement, Adopted September 17, 2008
- 6. Applicant Letters
- 7. Public Comment Letters
- 8. Initial Study/Negative Declaration
- 9. Project Plans

Attachment 1



Department of Planning Services Vicinity Map





Attachment 2

RESOLUTION NO.

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WHEREAS, Develop Good, LLC on behalf of John Wessman ("Applicant") filed an application with the City pursuant to Sections 94.03.00 and 94.04.00 of the Palm Springs Zoning Code for an amendment to an approved Planned Development District, Case 5.0177 PD-131, and Major Architectural Application, Case 3.3937 MAJ, to construct a 66-room hotel at the northeast corner of an existing shopping center located at 1555 South Palm Canyon Drive (southwest corner of Morongo Road and South Palm Canyon Drive); and

WHEREAS, on May 2, 2016, the subject project was reviewed by the City's Architectural Advisory Committee (AAC), which voted to recommend conditional approval of the project; and

WHEREAS, the proposed project associated with the above applications ("Project") is considered a "project" pursuant to the terms of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Section 21000 et. seq. ("CEQA"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the CEQA Guidelines, 14 California Code of Regulations Section 15000 et. seq., an initial study was prepared. The initial study concluded that all of the project's potentially significant impacts will be less than. On this basis, a Negative Declaration was prepared and circulated for a 30-day public review and comment period from July 9, 2016 to August 7, 2016, in accordance with Section 15073 of the CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, a notice of public hearing of the Planning Commission of the City of Palm Springs to consider the above-mentioned applications was given in accordance with applicable law; and on August 10, 2016, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the Project in accordance with applicable law, provided direction to the applicant to make changes to the Project, and continued the item to the Planning Commission's regularly scheduled meeting of September 14, 2016; and

WHEREAS, on September 14, 2016, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on the applications in accordance with applicable law and unanimously recommended the City Council adopt a Negative Declaration and conditionally approve the Project, including Case Nos. 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND and 3.3937 MAJ; and

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WHEREAS, a notice of public hearing of the City Council of the City of Palm Springs, California to consider the above-mentioned applications was given in accordance with applicable law; and on October 5, 2016, the City Council held a public hearing in accordance with applicable law; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has carefully reviewed and considered all of the evidence presented in connection with the meetings on the Project, including but not limited to the staff report, and all written and oral testimony presented.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PALM SPRINGS DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. **CEQA**: The City Council independently reviewed and considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration (ND). The ND reflects the City's independent judgment and analysis. The City Council finds, on the basis of the whole record before it, including the Initial Study and comments received, that the Project will not have a significant effect on the environment.

SECTION 2. **Planned Development District**. A Planned Development District (PD) is subject to the requirements of Zoning Code Section 94.02.00, including required findings contained therein. An analysis of all required findings for a PD is provided below:

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The proposed hotel will be integrated with the existing restaurant building at the street corner. Hotels, restaurants and other commercial uses are permitted within the underlying C-1 zone. Therefore, the use is not anticipated to be detrimental to existing or future uses allowed in the zone.

c. That the site for the intended use is adequate in size and shape to accommodate such use, including yards, setbacks, walls or fences, landscaping and other features required in order to adjust such use to those existing or permitted future uses of land in the neighborhood;

The project consists of an overall 17-acre site that is partially developed as a shopping center. A mix of building are scattered throughout the site with off-street parking and internal driveways. The proposed hotel will be constructed adjacent to an existing restaurant building and pool area. The 34-ft high structure will be exceed setback requirements, ensuring adequate distance from adjacent streets, and incorporated within the existing recreation space previously part of a larger pool area. Parking will be added to the west of the building, and additional landscaping will be installed to soften the built environment. Therefore, the commercial site is adequate in size and shape to accommodate the proposed hotel use.

d. That the site for the proposed use relates to streets and highways properly designed and improved to carry the type and quantity of traffic to be generated by the proposed use;

According to the Focused Traffic Analysis prepared for the project, the proposed development is projected to generate approximately 589 daily vehicle trips, 45 of which will occur during the morning peak hour and 47 of which will occur during the evening peak hour. While this is an increase in traffic on the city's circulation system, the Focused Traffic Analysis indicates that the study area intersections are currently operating at acceptable levels of service (LOS) and will continue to operate at acceptable levels following construction of the project. Therefore, the site for the proposed use will be adequately served by existing streets.

e. That the conditions to be imposed and shown on the approved site plan are deemed necessary to protect the public health, safety and general welfare and may include minor modification of the zone's property development standards.

A set of draft conditions of approval are proposed and attached to this staff report as Exhibit "A" to ensure the public health, safety and general welfare are protected.

SECTION 3. **Public Benefit**. In accordance with the City Council Policy on Planned Development, the identified public benefit includes *the project as a Public Benefit*. The project fulfills key General Plan objectives for economic development. The proposed architecture enhances the retail center and provides a pleasant, convenient and visually appealing shopping and work opportunity for the city (Community Design Goal CD 17).

SECTION 4. **Architectural Review**: Pursuant to Section 94.04.00(D) of the Palm Springs Zoning Code, the City Council finds:

1. The proposed development provides a desirable environment for its occupants.

The project provides amenities common of a hotel, including outdoor recreation, pool space and private patios, and will be integrated within a commercial complex that provides other services, such as restaurant and retail facilities.

2. The proposed development is compatible with the character of adjacent and surrounding developments.

Existing development in the project vicinity includes structures of varied heights, architectural character and age. The building is harmonious with midcentury modern vernacular of other buildings in the surrounding area (i.e. Musicland Hotel).

3. The proposed development is of good composition, materials, textures, and colors.

The project architecture is contemporary. Rhythmic shapes and patterns create visual interest and shadow on the new structure. Color, texture and material composition are harmonious and establish an attractive architectural presence.

4. Site layout, orientation, location of structures and relationship to one another and to open spaces and topography. Definition of pedestrian and vehicular areas; i.e., sidewalks as distinct from parking lot areas;

Pedestrian and vehicular spaces are clearly defined. The site layout and orientation of the structure relate well within the context of the commercial center

in which it is proposed. A drop-off and covered entry on the west side of the building will establish the pedestrian entry from the parking area.

5. Harmonious relationship with existing and proposed adjoining developments and in the context of the immediate neighborhood / community, avoiding both excessive variety and monotonous repetition, but allowing similarity of style, if warranted;

The proposed land use is consistent with other uses in the area. However, the design of the new building deviates from the existing structures within the shopping center, which are of Spanish-Mediterranean influence.

6. Maximum height, area, setbacks and overall mass, as well as parts of any structure (buildings, walls, screens, towers or signs) and effective concealment of all mechanical equipment;

Height and setbacks are consistent with the zoning code and appropriate for the three-story structure. All rooftop mechanical units will be screened from surroundings streets and properties.

7. Building design, materials and colors to be sympathetic with desert surroundings;

The building is proposed in white stucco and anodized aluminum windows. Building recesses provide shade for each hotel room and allow guests enjoy the desert surrounding.

8. Harmony of materials, colors and composition of those elements of a structure, including overhangs, roofs, and substructures which are visible simultaneously

Lighter earth tones are found in the immediate area. The proposed materials and colors are used in consistent manner around the building and when visible simultaneously.

9. Consistency of composition and treatment

Proposed building elevations include a recurring geometry with solids, voids and material treatment.

10. Location and type of planting, with regard for desert climate conditions. Preservation of specimen and landmark trees upon a site, with proper irrigation to insure maintenance of all plant materials

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The proposed landscape plans are consistent with desert appropriate trees and plants. Existing Olive trees are to be maintained. Mature shade trees at a minimum size of 36-inch boxes are most appropriate for the parking lot.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, based upon the foregoing, the City Council hereby adopts a Negative Declaration and approves Case Nos. 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND and 3.3937 MAJ; to construct a 66-room hotel and related improvements within the existing Plaza Del Sol shopping center located at 1555 South Palm Canyon Drive, subject to conditions of approval attached herein as Exhibit A.

ADOPTED THIS 5TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2016. David H. Ready, City Manager ATTEST: James Thompson, City Clerk CERTIFICATION STATE OF CALIFORNIA) COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE) ss. CITY OF PALM SPRINGS) I, JAMES THOMPSON, City Clerk of the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that Resolution No. ____ is a full, true and correct copy, and was duly adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Palm Springs on ______, by the following vote: AYES: NOES: ABSENT: ABSTAIN:

> James Thompson, City Clerk City of Palm Springs, California

EXHIBIT A

Case No. 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND and 3.3937 MAJ Planned Development District Amendment and Major Architectural Application

Belardo Hotel within Plaza Del Sol 1555 South Palm Canyon Drive

October 5, 2016

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Before final acceptance of the project, all conditions listed below shall be completed to the satisfaction of the City Engineer, the Director of Planning Services, the Director of Building and Safety, the Chief of Police, the Fire Chief or their designee, depending on which department recommended the condition.

Any agreements, easements or covenants required to be entered into shall be in a form approved by the City Attorney.

ADDED CONDITIONS:

- ADD 1. South stairwell may be modified from current design.
- ADD 2. Parking lot shade trees to be a minimum of 36-inch box sizes with preference of 42-inch or 48-inch sizes where possible. Existing Olive Trees may remain in parking lot.
- ADD 3. Chapter 11 of Municipal Code Noise ordinance to be enforced and can only be modified upon approval at a public hearing.

ADMINISTRATIVE CONDITIONS

- ADM 1. <u>Project Description</u>. This approval is for the project described per Case Nos. 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND and 3.3937 MAJ, except as modified with the approved conditions below.
- ADM 2. Reference Documents. The site shall be developed and maintained in accordance with the approved plans, including site plans, architectural elevations, exterior materials and colors, landscaping, and grading on file in the Planning Division except as modified by the conditions below.
- ADM 3. Conform to all Codes and Regulations. The project shall conform to the conditions contained herein, all applicable regulations of the Palm Springs Zoning Ordinance, Municipal Code, and any other City County, State and Federal Codes, ordinances, resolutions and laws that may apply.

- ADM 4. <u>Minor Deviations</u>. The Director of Planning or designee may approve minor deviations to the project description and approved plans in accordance with the provisions of the Palm Springs Zoning Code.
- Indemnification. The owner shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the ADM 5. City of Palm Springs, its agents, officers, and employees from any claim, action, or proceeding against the City of Palm Springs or its agents, officers or employees to attach, set aside, void or annul, an approval of the City of Palm Springs, its legislative body, advisory agencies, or administrative officers concerning Case 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND and 3.3937 MAJ. The City of Palm Springs will promptly notify the applicant of any such claim, action, or proceeding against the City of Palm Springs and the applicant will either undertake defense of the matter and pay the City's associated legal costs or will advance funds to pay for defense of the matter by the City Attorney. If the City of Palm Springs fails to promptly notify the applicant of any such claim, action or proceeding or fails to cooperate fully in the defense, the applicant shall not, thereafter, be responsible to defend, indemnify, or hold harmless the City of Palm Springs. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the City retains the right to settle or abandon the matter without the applicant's consent but should it do so, the City shall waive the indemnification herein, except, the City's decision to settle or abandon a matter following an adverse judgment or failure to appeal, shall not cause a waiver of the indemnification rights herein.
- ADM 6. Maintenance and Repair. The property owner(s) and successors and assignees in interest shall maintain and repair the improvements including and without limitation all structures, sidewalks, bikeways, parking areas, landscape, irrigation, lighting, signs, walls, and fences between the curb and property line, including sidewalk or bikeway easement areas that extend onto private property, in a first class condition, free from waste and debris, and in accordance with all applicable law, rules, ordinances and regulations of all federal, state, and local bodies and agencies having jurisdiction at the property owner's sole expense. This condition shall be included in the recorded covenant agreement for the property if required by the City.
- ADM 7. <u>Time Limit on Approval</u>. Approval of the Planned Development District Amendment and Major Architectural Applications shall be valid for a period of two (2) years from the effective date of the approval. Construction must commence within this period. Extensions of time may be granted by the Planning Commission upon demonstration of good cause.
- ADM 8. Right to Appeal. Decisions of an administrative officer or agency of the City of Palm Springs may be appealed in accordance with Municipal Code Chapter 2.05.00. Permits will not be issued until the appeal period has concluded.
- ADM 9. <u>Public Art Fees</u>. This project shall be subject to Chapters 2.24 and 3.37 of the Municipal Code regarding public art. The project shall either provide

public art or payment of an in lieu fee. In the case of the in-lieu fee, the fee shall be based upon the total building permit valuation as calculated pursuant to the valuation table in the Uniform Building Code, the fee being 1/2% for commercial projects or 1/4% for residential projects with first \$100,000 of total building permit valuation for individual single-family units exempt. Should the public art be located on the project site, said location shall be reviewed and approved by the Director of Planning and Zoning and the Public Arts Commission, and the property owner shall enter into a recorded agreement to maintain the art work and protect the public rights of access and viewing.

- ADM 10. <u>Cause No Disturbance</u>. The owner shall monitor outdoor parking areas, walkways, and adjoining properties and shall take all necessary measures to ensure that customers do not loiter, create noise, litter, or cause any disturbances while on-site. The owner and operator shall ensure that at closing time, all customers leave the property promptly and that the property is clean and secure before the owner/operator leaves the premises. The Police Chief, based upon complaints and/or other cause, may require on-site security officers to ensure compliance with all City, State, and Federal laws and conditions of approval. Failure to comply with these conditions may result in revocation of this permit, temporary business closure or criminal prosecution
- ADM 11. Grounds for Revocation. Non-compliance with any of the conditions of this approval or with City codes and ordinances, State laws; any valid citizen complaints or policing and safety problems (not limited to excessive alcohol consumption, noise, disturbances, signs, etc) regarding the operation of the establishment; as determined by the Chief of Policy or the Director of Building and Safety, may result in proceedings to revoke the Conditional Use Permit. In addition, violations of the City Codes and Ordinances will result in enforcement actions which may include citations, arrest, temporary business closure, or revocation of this permit in accordance with law.
- ADM 12. Comply with City Noise Ordinance. The uses associated with this approval shall comply with the provisions of Section 11.74 Noise Ordinance of the Palm Springs Municipal Code (PSMC). Violations by any of the individual uses permitted under this PD may result in revocation or revision of the PD associated with that particular use at the site pursuant to the procedures outlined in PSZC 94.02.00.(I).

The Noise level limits are as set forth below from PSMC Section 11.74.031:

11.74.031 Noise level limit.

The noise level or sound level referred to in this section shall mean the higher of the following:

(1) Actual measured ambient noise level; or

(2) That noise level limit as determined from the table in this subsection:

Zone	Time	Sound Level (A-weighted) Decibels
Commercial	7 a.m. to 6 p.m.	60
	6 p.m. to 10 p.m.	55
	10 p.m. to 7 a.m.	50

- ADM 13. Outdoor Entertainment. This PD authorizes the use of live DJ's and bands providing entertainment outdoors within the pool area. Entertainment is approved as follows:
 - a. Live entertainment shall be limited to the pool deck within the hours of 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM.
 - b. Any and all instruments shall have limited amplification.
 - c. All amplification equipment shall be placed so that sound is projected toward other commercial properties and roadways, and away from nearby residential communities.
 - d. Noise levels shall be maintained to a level where customers can conduct normal conversation.
 - e. All activities shall comply with the provisions of the City's Noise Ordinance.
 - f. Guitar/instruments and DJ's are permissible on weekends and shall not exceed decibels of the City Noise Ordinance.
- ADM 14. <u>Conditional Use Permit Availability.</u> The applicant shall provide a copy of this Conditional Use Permit to all buyers and potential buyers.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT CONDITIONS

ENV 1. <u>Cultural Resource Site Monitoring</u>.

- a). The presence of an approved Native American Cultural Resource Monitor(s) during any ground disturbing activities (including archaeological testing and surveys). Should buried cultural deposits be encountered, the Monitor may request that destructive construction halt and the Monitor shall notify a Qualified Archaeologist (Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines) to investigate and, if necessary, prepare a mitigation plan for submission to the State Historic Preservation Officer and the Agua Caliente Tribal Historic Preservation Office.
- b). Before ground disturbing activities begin please contact the Tribal Historic Preservation Office to arrange cultural monitoring. The phone number for monitoring services is 760-699-6981.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS

- PLN 1. Outdoor Lighting Conformance. Exterior lighting plans, including a photometric site plan showing the project's conformance with Section 93.21.00 Outdoor Lighting Standards of the Palm Springs Zoning ordinance, shall be submitted for approval by the Department of Planning prior to issuance of a building permit. Manufacturer's cut sheets of all exterior lighting on the building and in the landscaping shall be included. If lights are proposed to be mounted on buildings, down-lights shall be utilized. No lighting of hillsides is permitted.
- PLN 2. Water Efficient Landscaping Conformance. The project is subject to the Water Efficient Landscape Ordinance (Chapter 8.60.00) of the Palm Springs Municipal Code and all other water efficient landscape ordinances. The applicant shall submit a landscape and irrigation plan to the Director of Planning for review and approval prior to the issuance of a building permit. Landscape plans shall be wet stamped and approved by the Riverside County Agricultural Commissioner's Office prior to submittal. Prior to submittal to the City, landscape plans shall also be certified by the local water agency that they are in conformance with the water agency's and the State's Water Efficient Landscape Ordinances.
- PLN 3. Conditions Imposed from AAC Review. The applicant shall incorporate the following comments from the review of the project by the City's Architectural Advisory Committee:
 - a. Increase shading in the parking lot by adding more Palo Verde trees.
 - b. Remove eight (8) parking spaces and convert into landscape buffer with variation in heights to soften the transition to the parking lot.
 - c. Add trees and landscape, if necessary, to the north and south side of the hotel to soften the façade of the building.
 - d. Submit a new landscape plan for South Palm Canyon Drive section showing more height and dramatic landscaping.
 - e. Revise the sidewalk flatwork design at south stair tower.
 - f. Modify the landscape plan to show the existing olive trees as currently located.
- PLN 4. <u>Sign Applications Required</u>. No signs are approved by this action. Separate approval and permits shall be required for all signs in accordance with Zoning Ordinance Section 93.20.00. The applicant shall submit a sign program to the Department of Planning Services prior to the issuance of building permits.
- PLN 5. Flat Roof Requirements. Roof materials on flat roofs (less than 2:12) must conform to California Title 24 thermal standards for "Cool Roofs". Such roofs must have a minimum initial thermal emittance of 0.75 or a minimum SRI of 64 and a three-year aged solar reflectance of 0.55 or greater. Only matte (non-specular) roofing is allowed in colors such as beige or tan.

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- PLN 6. <u>Maintenance of Awnings & Projections</u>. All awnings shall be maintained and periodically cleaned.
- PLN 7. <u>Screen Roof-mounted Equipment</u>. All roof mounted mechanical equipment shall be screened per the requirements of Section 93.03.00 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- PLN 8. <u>Surface Mounted Downspouts Prohibited</u>. No exterior downspouts shall be permitted on any facade on the proposed building(s) that are visible from adjacent streets or residential and commercial areas.
- PLN 9. <u>Pool Enclosure Approval Required</u>. Details of fencing or walls around pools (material and color) and pool equipment areas shall be submitted for approval by the Planning Department prior to issuance of Building Permits.
- PLN 10. <u>Exterior Alarms & Audio Systems</u>. No sirens, outside paging or any type of signalization will be permitted, except approved alarm systems.
- PLN 11. <u>Outside Storage Prohibited</u>. No outside storage of any kind shall be permitted except as approved as a part of the proposed plan.
- PLN 12. No off-site Parking. Vehicles associated with the operation of the proposed development including company vehicles or employees vehicles shall not be permitted to park off the proposed building site unless a parking management plan has been approved.

POLICE DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS

POL 1. Developer shall comply with Section II of Chapter 8.04 "Building Security Codes" of the Palm Springs Municipal Code.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS

BLD 1. Prior to any construction on-site, all appropriate permits must be secured.

ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS

APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF A COMMERCIAL BUILDING LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE, (APN 513-300-038), SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 4 S, RANGE 4 E, S.B.M., CASE NO. 3.3937, ENG. FILE NO. 4120.

The Engineering Division recommends that if this application is approved, such approval is subject to the following conditions being completed in compliance with City standards and ordinances.

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Before final acceptance of the project, all conditions listed below shall be completed to the satisfaction of the City Engineer.

STREETS

ENG 1. Any improvements within the public right-of-way require a City of Palm Springs Encroachment Permit. All improvements are subject to inspection and a 24 to 48 hour inspection notification is required.

SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE

ENG 2. All broken or off grade street improvements along the project frontage shall be repaired or replaced.

MORONGO ROAD

ENG 3. All broken or off grade street improvements along the project frontage shall be repaired or replaced.

BELARDO ROAD

ENG 4. All broken or off grade street improvements along the project frontage shall be repaired or replaced.

ON-SITE

ENG 5. The minimum pavement section for all on-site pavement (drive aisles and parking spaces) shall be 2-1/2 inches asphalt concrete pavement over 4 inches crushed miscellaneous base with a minimum subgrade of 24 inches at 95% relative compaction, or equal. If an alternative pavement section is proposed, the proposed pavement section shall be designed by a California registered Geotechnical Engineer using "R" values from the project site and submitted to the City Engineer for approval.

SANITARY SEWER

- ENG 6. Applicant is required to pay all outstanding sewer connection charges prior to issuance of any Grading and Building permits.
- ENG 7. All sanitary facilities shall be connected to the public sewer system (via the existing on-site private sewer system). The existing sewer service to the property shall be used for new sanitary facilities. New laterals shall not be connected at manholes.

GRADING

- ENG 8. Submit a Precise Grading Plan prepared by a California registered Civil engineer to the Engineering Division for review and approval. The Precise Grading Plan shall be approved by the City Engineer prior to issuance of grading permit.
 - a. A Fugitive Dust Control Plan shall be prepared by the applicant and/or its grading contractor and submitted to the Engineering Division for review and approval. The applicant and/or its grading contractor shall be required to comply with Chapter 8.50 of the City of Palm Springs Municipal Code, and shall be required to utilize one or more "Coachella Valley Best Available Control Measures" as identified in the Coachella Valley Fugitive Dust Control Handbook for each fugitive dust source such that the applicable performance standards are met. The applicant's or its contractor's Fugitive Dust Control Plan shall be prepared by staff that has completed the South Coast Air Quality Management District (AQMD) Coachella Valley Fugitive Dust Control Class. The applicant and/or its grading contractor shall provide the Engineering Division with current and valid Certificate(s) of Completion from AQMD for staff that have completed the required training. For information on attending a Fugitive Dust Control Class and information on the Coachella Valley Fugitive Dust Control Handbook and related "PM10" Dust Control issues, please contact AQMD at (909) 396-3752, or at http://www.AQMD.gov. A Fugitive Dust Control Plan, in conformance with the Coachella Valley Fugitive Dust Control Handbook, shall be submitted to and approved by the Engineering Division prior to approval of the Grading plan.
 - b. The first submittal of the Grading Plan shall include the following information: a copy of final approved conformed copy of Conditions of Approval; a copy of a final approved conformed copy of the Site Plan; a copy of current Title Report; a copy of Soils Report.
- ENG 9. Prior to approval of a Grading Plan (or issuance of a Grading Permit), the applicant shall obtain written approval to proceed with construction from the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer or Tribal Archaeologist (a copy of the written approval must be provided to the City). The applicant shall contact the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer or the Tribal Archaeologist at ACBCI-THPO@aguacaliente.net to determine their requirements, if any, associated with grading or other construction. The applicant is advised to contact the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer or Tribal Archaeologist as early as possible. If required, it is the responsibility of the applicant to coordinate scheduling of Tribal monitors during grading or other construction, and to arrange payment of any required fees associated with Tribal monitoring.

- ENG 10. In accordance with an approved PM-10 Dust Control Plan, temporary dust control perimeter fencing shall be installed. Fencing shall have screening that is tan in color; green screening will not be allowed. Temporary dust control perimeter fencing shall be installed after issuance of Grading Permit, and immediately prior to commencement of grading operations.
- ENG 11. Temporary dust control perimeter fence screening shall be appropriately maintained, as required by the City Engineer. Cuts (vents) made into the perimeter fence screening shall not be allowed. Perimeter fencing shall be adequately anchored into the ground to resist wind loading.
- ENG 12. Within 10 days of ceasing all construction activity and when construction activities are not scheduled to occur for at least 30 days, the disturbed areas on-site shall be permanently stabilized, in accordance with Palm Springs Municipal Code Section 8.50.022. Following stabilization of all disturbed areas, perimeter fencing shall be removed, as required by the City Engineer.
- ENG 13. A Geotechnical/Soils Report prepared by a California registered Geotechnical Engineer shall be required for and incorporated as an integral part of the grading plan for the proposed development. A copy of the Geotechnical/Soils Report shall be submitted to the Engineering Division with the first submittal of a grading plan (if required) or prior to issuance of any permit.
- ENG 14. In cooperation with the Riverside County Agricultural Commissioner and the California Department of Food and Agriculture Red Imported Fire Ant Project, applicants for grading permits involving a grading plan and involving the export of soil will be required to present a clearance document from a Department of Food and Agriculture representative in the form of an approved "Notification of Intent To Move Soil From or Within Quarantined Areas of Orange, Riverside, and Los Angeles Counties" (RIFA Form CA-1) prior to approval of the Grading Plan (if required). The California Department of Food and Agriculture office is located at 73-710 Fred Waring Drive, Palm Desert (Phone: 760-776-8208)

WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PLAN

ENG 15. This project shall be required to install measures in accordance with applicable National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Best Management Practices (BMP's) included as part of the NPDES Permit issued for the Whitewater River Region from the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB). The applicant is advised that installation of BMP's, including mechanical or other means for pre-treating contaminated stormwater and non-stormwater runoff, shall be required by regulations imposed by the RWQCB. It shall be the applicant's responsibility to design and install appropriate BMP's, in accordance with the NPDES Permit, that effectively intercept and pre-treat contaminated stormwater and

non-stormwater runoff from the project site, prior to release to the City's municipal separate storm sewer system ("MS4"), to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and the RWQCB. Such measures shall be designed and installed on-site; and provisions for perpetual maintenance of the measures shall be provided to the satisfaction of the City Engineer, including provisions in Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&R's) required for the development (if any).

- ENG 16. A Final Project-Specific Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) shall be submitted to and approved by the City Engineer prior to issuance of a grading or building permit. The WQMP shall address the implementation of operational Best Management Practices (BMP's) necessary to accommodate nuisance water and storm water runoff from within the underground parking garage and the on-site private drive aisles. Direct release of nuisance water to adjacent public streets is prohibited. Construction of operational BMP's shall be incorporated into the Precise Grading and Paving Plan.
- ENG 17. Prior to issuance of any grading or building permits, the property owner shall record a "Covenant and Agreement" with the County-Clerk Recorder or other instrument on a standardized form to inform future property owners of the requirement to implement the approved Final Project-Specific Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP). Other alternative instruments for requiring implementation of the approved Final Project-Specific WQMP include: requiring the implementation of the Final Project-Specific WQMP in Home Owners Association or Property Owner Association Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs); formation of Landscape, Lighting and Maintenance Districts, Assessment Districts or Community Service Areas responsible for implementing the Final Project-Specific WQMP; or equivalent. Alternative instruments must be approved by the City Engineer prior to issuance of any grading or building permits.
- ENG 18. Prior to issuance of certificate of occupancy or final City approvals (OR of "final" approval by City), the applicant shall: (a) demonstrate that all structural BMP's have been constructed and installed in conformance with approved plans and specifications; (b) demonstrate that applicant is prepared to implement all non-structural BMP's included in the approved Final Project-Specific WQMP, conditions of approval, or grading/building permit conditions; and (c) demonstrate that an adequate number of copies of the approved Final Project-Specific WQMP are available for the future owners (where applicable).

DRAINAGE

ENG 19. All stormwater runoff across the property shall be accepted and conveyed in a manner acceptable to the City Engineer and released to an approved drainage system. Stormwater runoff may not be released directly to the

- adjacent streets without first intercepting and treating with approved Best Management Practices (BMPs).
- ENG 20. The project is subject to flood control and drainage implementation fees pursuant to Resolution 14082. The acreage drainage fee at the present time is \$_7271.00 per acre per Resolution No. 15189. Fees shall be paid prior to issuance of a building permit.

GENERAL

- ENG 21. Any utility trenches or other excavations within existing asphalt concrete pavement of off-site streets required by the proposed development shall be backfilled and repaired in accordance with City of Palm Springs Standard Drawing No. 115.
- ENG 22. All proposed utility lines shall be installed underground.
- ENG 23. Upon approval of any improvement plan (if required) by the City Engineer, the improvement plan shall be provided to the City in digital format, consisting of a DWG (AutoCAD 2004 drawing file), DXF (AutoCAD ASCII drawing exchange file), and PDF (Adobe Acrobat 6.0 or greater) formats. Variation of the type and format of the digital data to be submitted to the City may be authorized, upon prior approval by the City Engineer.
- ENG 24. The original improvement plans prepared for the proposed development and approved by the City Engineer (if required) shall be documented with record drawing "as-built" information and returned to the Engineering Division prior to issuance of a final certificate of occupancy. Any modifications or changes to approved improvement plans shall be submitted to the City Engineer for approval prior to construction.

TRAFFIC

- ENG 25. The project is subject to any and all mitigation measures as determined by the final Traffic Study. Must be completed prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.
- ENG 26. A minimum of 48 inches of clearance for accessibility shall be provided on public sidewalks or pedestrian paths of travel within the development.
- ENG 27. All damaged, destroyed, or modified pavement legends, traffic control devices, signing, striping, and street lights, associated with the proposed development shall be replaced as required by the City Engineer prior to issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy.
- ENG 28. Construction signing, lighting and barricading shall be provided during all phases of construction as required by City Standards or as directed by the

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City Engineer. As a minimum, all construction signing, lighting and barricading shall be in accordance with Part 6 "Temporary Traffic Control" of the California Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (CAMUTCD), dated November 7, 2014, or subsequent editions in force at the time of construction.

ENG 29. This property is subject to the Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee which shall be paid prior to issuance of building permit.

FIRE DEPARTMENT CONDITIONS

These Fire Department conditions may not provide all requirements. Owner/developer is responsible for all applicable state and locally adopted fire codes. Detailed plans are still required for review.

- FID 1 These conditions are subject to final plan check and review. Initial fire department conditions have been determined on the resubmittal plans received and dated February 23, 2016. Additional requirements may be required at that time based on revisions to plans.
- FID 2 Fire Department Conditions were based on the 2013 California Fire Code as adopted by City of Palm Springs, Palm Springs Municipal Code and latest adopted NFPA Standards. Three (3) complete sets of plans for private fire service mains, fire alarm, or fire sprinkler systems must be submitted at time of the building plan submittal. No deferred submittals accepted.
- FID 3 **Conditions of Approval** "Conditions of Approval" received from the Palm Springs Planning Department must be submitted with <u>each</u> plan set. Failure to submit will result in a delay of plan approval

FID 4 Plans and Permits (CFC 105.1):

<u>Permits and scaled drawings are required for this project</u>. Plan reviews can take up to 20 working days. Submit a minimum of three (3) sets of drawings for review. Upon approval, the Fire Prevention Bureau will retain one set.

Plans shall be submitted to:

City of Palm Springs Building and Safety Department 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

Counter Hours: 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Monday – Thursday

A deposit for Plan Check and Inspection Fees is required at the time of Plan Submittal. These fees are established by Resolution of the Palm Springs City Council.

Complete listings and manufacturer's technical data sheets for all system materials shall be included with plan submittals. All system materials shall be UL listed or FM approved for fire protection service and approved by the Fire Prevention Bureau prior to installation.

Plans shall include all necessary engineering features, including all hydraulic reference nodes, pipe lengths and pipe diameters as required by the appropriate codes and standards. Plans and supporting data, (calculations and manufacturers technical data sheets) including fire flow data, shall be submitted with each plan submittal. Complete and accurate legends for all symbols and abbreviations shall be provided on the plans

- FID 5 Access During Construction (CFC 503): Access for firefighting equipment shall be provided to the immediate job site at the start of construction and maintained until all construction is complete. Fire apparatus access roads shall have an unobstructed width of not less than 20 feet and an unobstructed vertical clearance of not less than 13'-6". Fire Department access roads shall have an all-weather driving surface and support a minimum weight of 73,000 lbs.
- FID 6 Required access (CFC 504.1): Exterior doors and openings required by this code or the California Building Code shall be maintained readily accessible for emergency access by the fire department. An approved access walkway leading from fire apparatus access roads to exterior openings shall be provided when required by the fire code official.

Project Notes: Show on plans – designated fire access walkway on entire north side of building between proposed structure and bocce ball court. Walkway begins at fire apparatus access road (S. Palm Canyon).

- FID 7 Aerial Fire Access Roads (CFC Appendix D105.1): Buildings or portions of buildings or facilities exceeding 30 feet in height above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access shall be provided with approved fire apparatus access roads capable of accommodating fire department aerial apparatus. Overhead utility and power lines shall not be located within the aerial fire apparatus access roadway.
 - Aerial Fire Access Road Width (CFC Appendix D105.2): Fire apparatus access roads shall have a minimum unobstructed width of 26 feet, exclusive of shoulders, in the immediate vicinity of any building or portion of building more than 30 feet in height.

- Aerial Access Proximity to Building (CFC Appendix D105.3): At least one of the required access routes for buildings or facility exceeding 30 feet in height above the lowest level of fire department vehicle access shall be located within a minimum of 15 feet and a maximum of 30 feet from the building and shall be positioned parallel to one entire side of the building
- FID 8 Key Box Required to be Installed (CFC 506.1): Where access to or within a structure or an area is restricted because of secured openings or where immediate access is necessary for life-saving or fire-fighting purposes, the fire code official is authorized to require a key box to be installed in an approved location. The key box shall be flush mount type and shall contain keys to gain necessary access as required by the fire code official.

Secured emergency access gates serving apartment, town home or condominium complex courtyards must provide a key box in addition to association or facility locks. The nominal height of Knox lock box installations shall be 5 feet above grade. Location and installation of Knox key boxes must be approved by the fire code official.

- Key Box Contents (CFC 506.1): The Knox key box shall contain keys to all areas of ingress/egress, alarm rooms, fire sprinkler riser/equipment rooms, mechanical rooms, elevator rooms, elevator controls, plus a card containing the emergency contact people and phone numbers for the building/complex.
- FID 9 Water Plan (CFC 501.3 & 901.2): A water plan for on-site and off-site is required and shall include underground private fire main for fire sprinkler riser(s), public fire hydrant(s), public water mains, Double Check Detector Assembly, Fire Department Connection and associated valves.
- FID 10 Location of Fire Department Connections: The connection inlets must face the street, and be located on the street side of the building. The face of the inlets shall be 18 inches horizontal from the back edge of sidewalk (or back of curb, if no sidewalk), and shall be 36 to 44 inches in height to center of inlets above finished grade. No landscape planting, walls, or other obstructions are permitted within 3 feet of Fire Department connections. The FDC and supporting piping shall be painted OSHA safety red.

The address of the building served shall be clearly indicated on the Fire Department Connection (FDC). A sign with this information shall be placed on or near the FDC. The sign shall be constructed of metal. The sign face, lettering, and attachment shall be made of weather and vandal resistant materials. Sign background will be bright red. Letters will be bright white. Sign format will be substantially as follows:

FDC SERVES

1555 S PALM CANYON [Designate Buildings Served]

- FID 11 Fire Hydrant & FDC Location (CFC 912.2): A public commercial fire hydrant is required within 30 feet of the Fire Department Connection (FDC). Fire Hose must be protected from vehicular traffic and shall not cross roadways, streets, railroad tracks or driveways or areas subject to flooding or hazardous material or liquid releases.
- FID 12 Fire Department Connections (CFC 912.2.1 & 912.3): Fire Department connections shall be visible and accessible, have two 2.5 inch NST female inlets, and have an approved check valve located as close to the FDC as possible. All FDC's shall have KNOX locking protective caps. Contact the fire prevention secretary at 760-323-8186 for a KNOX application form.
- FID 13 NFPA 13R Fire Sprinklers Required: An automatic fire sprinkler system is required. Only a C-16 licensed fire sprinkler contractor shall perform system design and installation. System to be designed and installed in accordance with NFPA standard 13R, 2013 Edition, as modified by local ordinance.
- FID 14 Floor Control Valves (CFC 903.3.8 & Ordinance 1781: Item 42): Floor control valves and water flow detection assemblies shall be installed at each floor in buildings three or more stories in height. Valve locations will be determined and approved by the fire code official.
- FID 15 **Identification (CFC 509.1):** Fire protection equipment shall be identified in an approved manner. Rooms containing controls for air-conditioning systems, sprinkler risers and valves, roof access, electrical rooms, or other fire detection, suppression or control elements shall be identified for the use of the fire department. Approved signs required to identify fire protection equipment and equipment location, shall be constructed of durable materials, permanently installed and readily visible.
- Fire Sprinkler Supervision and Alarms System (CFC 903.4/4.1): All valves controlling the water supply for automatic sprinkler systems, pumps, tanks, water levels and temperatures, critical air pressures and water-flow switches on all fire sprinkler systems shall be electrically supervised by a listed Fire Alarm Control Unit (FACU). The listed FACU alarm, supervisory and trouble signals shall be distinctly different and shall be monitored at a UL listed central station service. The fire sprinkler supervision and alarms system shall comply with the requirements of NFPA 72, 2013 Edition. All control valves shall be locked in the open position.
- FID 17 **Fire Alarm System:** Fire alarm system is required and installation shall comply with the requirements of NFPA 72, 2013 Edition.

- FID 18 Central Station Protective Signaling Service (CFC 903.4.1): A UL listed and certified Protective Signaling Service (Central Station Service) is required. Provide the Fire Department with proof of listing and current certificate. The Fire Department shall be notified immediately of change in service.
- FID 19 HVAC Duct Smoke Detection/Shut Down with a Fire Sprinkler Supervision & Alarm System or Fire Alarm System (CFC 907.4.1, CMC 609.0 & NFPA 72): All HVAC systems supplying greater than 2,000 CFM shall require a duct detector and HVAC shut down when smoke is detected. HVAC shut down shall be on an individual basis, not global. These systems shall supervise the Duct Detectors and activate the notification appliances. An accessory module shall be installed for each unit, including alarm LED, pilot LED and key-operated test/reset switch.
- FID 20 Smoke Alarm or Detector Locations R-1 Occupancy (CFC 907.2.11.1): Single or multiple-station smoke alarms shall be installed in all of the following locations in Group R-1:
 - 1. In sleeping areas.
 - 2. In every room in the path of the means of egress from the sleeping area to the door leading from the sleeping unit.
 - 3. In each story within the sleeping unit, including basements. For sleeping units with split levels and without an intervening door between the adjacent levels, a smoke alarm installed on the upper level shall suffice for the adjacent lower level provided that the lower level is less than one full story below the upper level.
- Groups R-1 and R-2.1 Accessibility Requirements (CFC 907.6.2.3.3): Group R-1 and R-2.1 dwelling units or sleeping units in accordance with Table 907.6.2.3.3 shall be provided with a visible alarm notification appliance, activated by both the in room smoke alarm and the building fire alarm system. Also comply with Section 1111B.4.5, Table 11B-3, and Table 11B-4 of the California Building Code.
- FID 22 Fire Extinguisher Requirements (CFC 906): Provide one 2-A:10-B:C portable fire extinguisher for every 75 feet of floor or grade travel distance for normal hazards. Show proposed extinguisher locations on the plans. Extinguishers shall be mounted in a visible, accessible location 3 to 5 feet above floor level. Preferred location is in the path of exit travel or near an exit door.

Portable Fire Extinguishers for Food Processing Equipment (CFC 906.1 & 4): In addition to the fixed system, a fire extinguisher listed and labeled for Class K fires shall be installed within 30 feet of commercial food heat processing equipment, as measured along an unobstructed path of travel. The preferred location is near the exit from the cooking equipment

area.

- FID 23 Elevator Stretcher Requirement (CBC 3002.4): Elevators shall be designed to accommodate medical emergency service. The elevator(s) so designed shall accommodate the loading and transport of an ambulance gurney or stretcher 24 inches by 84 inches in the horizontal position. The elevator entrance shall have a clear opening of not less than 42 inches wide or less than 78 inches high. The elevator car shall be provided with a minimum clear distance between walls or between walls and door excluding return panels not less than 80 inches by 54 inches, and a minimum distance from wall to return panel not less than 51 inches with a 42 inch side slide door.
- FID 24 Elevator Emergency Operation (CFC 607.1): Existing elevators with a travel distance of 25 feet or more shall comply with the requirements in Chapter 46. New elevators shall be provided with Phase I emergency recall operation and Phase II emergency in-car operation in accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 8, Division 1, Chapter 4, Subchapter 6, Elevator Safety Orders and NFPA 72.
 - Elevator Keys (CFC 607.4): Keys for the elevator car doors and firefighter service keys shall be kept in an approved location for immediate use by the fire department.
 - Elevator System Shunt Trip (CFC 607.5): Where elevator hoistways or elevator machine rooms containing elevator control equipment are protected with automatic sprinklers, a means installed in accordance with NFPA 72, Section 21.4, Elevator Shutdown, shall be provided to disconnect automatically the main line power supply to the affected elevator prior to the application of water. This means shall not be self-resetting. The activation of sprinklers outside the hoistway or machine room shall not disconnect the main line power supply.
 - Fire Sprinklers at Bottom of Elevator Pit (NFPA 13: 8.15.5.1): Sidewall spray sprinklers shall be installed at the bottom of each elevator hoistway not more than 2 ft above the floor of the pit.
 - Elevator Hoistways and Machine Rooms (NFPA 13: 8.15.5.3): Automatic fire sprinklers shall be required in elevator machine rooms, elevator machinery spaces, control spaces, or hoistways of traction elevators.
 - Fire Sprinklers at the Top of Elevator Hoistways (NFPA 13: 8.15.5.6): The sprinkler required at the top of the elevator hoistway by 8.15.5.5 shall not be required where the hoistway for passenger elevators is noncombustible or limited-combustible and the car enclosure

materials meet the requirements of ASME A17.1, Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators.

- Elevator Recall for Fire Fighters' Service with Automatic Fire Detection (NFPA 72: 21.3.3): Unless otherwise required by the authority having jurisdiction, only the elevator lobby, elevator hoistway, and elevator machine room smoke detectors, or other automatic fire detection as permitted by 21.3.9, shall be used to recall elevators for fire fighters' service.
- Exception: A water-flow switch shall be permitted to initiate elevator recall upon activation of a sprinkler installed at the bottom of the elevator hoistway (the elevator pit), provided the water-flow switch and pit sprinkler are installed on a separately valved sprinkler line dedicated solely for protecting the elevator pit, and the water-flow switch is provided without time-delay capability.
- Elevator Recall with Fire Sprinkler in Elevator Pit (NFPA 72: 21.3.7):
 When sprinklers are installed in elevator pits, automatic fire detection shall be installed to initiate elevator recall in accordance with 2.27.3.2.1(c) of ANSI/ASME A.17.1/CSA B44, Safety Code for Elevators and Escalators, and the following shall apply:
- (1) Where sprinklers are located above the lowest level of recall, the fire detection device shall be located at the top of the hoistway.
- (2) Where sprinklers are located in the bottom of the hoistway (the pit), fire detection device(s) shall be installed in the pit in accordance with Chapter 17.
- (3) Outputs to the elevator controller(s) shall comply with 21.3.14.
- Elevator Systems Automatic Detection (NFPA 72: 21.3.9): If ambient conditions prohibit installation of automatic smoke detection, other automatic fire detection shall be permitted.
- Detector Annunciation at the Building Fire Alarm Control Unit (NFPA 72: 21.3.10): When actuated, any detector that has initiated fire fighters' recall shall also be annunciated at the building fire alarm control unit, or other fire alarm control unit as described in 21.3.2, and at required remote annunciators.
- FID 25 Hazardous Materials (CFC 5004.1): Storage of hazardous materials in amounts exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area as set forth in Section 5003.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 5001, 5003 and 5004. Storage of hazardous materials in amounts not exceeding the maximum allowable quantity per control area as set forth in Section 5003.1 shall be in accordance with Sections 5001 and 5003. Retail and wholesale

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storage and display of nonflammable solid and nonflammable and noncombustible liquid hazardous materials in Group M occupancies and Group S storage shall be in accordance with Section 5003.11.

- Pool Chemicals dedicated, compliant storage cabinets, rooms, or areas required
- Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) dedicated, compliant storage cabinets, rooms, or areas required
- "Exit Analysis Plan" required (CFC 104.7.2): Prepared, stamped and signed by a <u>state licensed architect</u> in ¼" = 1' scale. The floor plan shall address the following for a Group A-5 occupancy (swimming pool enclosure):
 - Project Note Pool exiting has been modified from the previously approved plan. Update exit plan showing compliant egress from pool enclosure.
 - Project New/updated pool enclosure exit analysis plan required

END OF CONDITIONS

Attachment 3

EXCERPT OF MINUTES

At the Planning Commission meeting of the City of Palm Springs, held August 10, 2016, the Planning Commission took the following action:

2A. DEVELOP GOOD, LLC ON BEHALF OF JOHN WESSMAN (LESSEE) FOR A MAJOR ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AMENDMENT TO CONSTRUCT A 66-ROOM, THREE-STORY HOTEL BUILDING WITHIN THE PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING COMPLEX LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE (CASE NOS. 3.3937 MAJ AND 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND). (DN)

Associate Planner Newell provided an overview on the proposed project as outlined in the staff report. He indicated that the applicant has added additional parking spaces to the west as requested by the Architectural Advisory Committee.

The Commission had the following technical questions:

Commissioner Donenfeld questioned if a tract map was required for this site.

Commissioner Middleton requested clarification on:

- Does the original PDD include the entire 17-acre site?
- Is the 4% reduction in open-space calculated for the 17-acre site?
- Is there room for more development on the 17-acre site? If so, would this include a further reduction in open-space?
- If this project was not on Indian land what height limit would apply to this site?

Commissioner Weremiuk requested clarification on:

- If this open-space for this project was not being measured by the PDD how much open-space would be required under the High-Rise Ordinance?
- Is a list of public benefits available to utilize for this project?
- Will the large speakers be a part of the project?
- Will the wood-framing (on the cabanas) that face Palm Canyon on the Hacienda Cantina be replaced with modern tile?
- Was a neighborhood meeting held?

Commissioner Hirschbein requested clarification on:

- Height standards and open-space requirements.
- How much is the 4% of open-space in square footage?
- Is the area that is not paved a part of the application?
- What are the parking requirements? (exceeds by 37 parking spaces.)

Commission Hudson requested clarification on:

Were any other material boards/samples submitted?

Chair Calerdine opened the public hearing:

CHRIS PARDO, Pardo Design, provided background history on the entire site and the existing building (formerly Hacienda Cantina). He described the hotel concept, rooms, setbacks, height, restaurant, tree shading, hotel entry, building façade, balcony and mechanical screening.

FRANK TYSEN, said that the Architectural Advisory Committee did not discuss how it would fit into the existing Plaza Del Sol site and architectural style. He commented that the city needs eclectic character and there is over-development in the city.

ROBERT BRUGEMAN, does not think 66 rooms will ruin the local economy; noting that this is vacant building with dirt lot behind it and is not useful to the city and its residents. He commented that the building design is an eclectic style.

TANYA PETROVNA, said the restaurant was not financially viable and could have been predestined to be something else. She hopes it works out for the best.

ROBERT FINELY, said he and his wife suffered from the Hacienda Cantina noise and appreciate the building as a buffer; and it sounds like an excellent project.

CHRIS PARDO, was available for questions.

There being no further speakers public comments was closed.

Commissioner Middleton requested details pertaining to:

- Neighborhood outreach efforts provided and requested they reach out to all the neighborhoods in this area.
- Similarities and differences between the Arrive Hotel and the Belardo Hotel.
- Will music events be held?
- How will this building impact the sound vibration from the mountains to the west?
- Monitoring sound levels for music events and noise decibels.

Commissioner Hudson commented on the architecture of the building:

- The east and west elevations is an interesting technique to get sun shading for the rooms and balconies.
- Using colors and materials to blend-in this complex to the other buildings tiles and modern materials.
- North and south elevations of the building: the vertical windows need further strategy - jointing of stucco or perhaps a different material. The south elevation fronting the entry drive with the exterior fire escape doors need to be shielded more or fully enclosed.

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- The mountain view and shading for the swimming pool and outdoor dining will be a missed opportunity.
- Move the building 15 feet to the west and eliminate a bay area.

Commissioner Weremiuk requested clarification and/or commented on:

- How much area is the 4% open-space?
- Concurs with Commission Hudson in moving the hotel back and keep the openspace.
- Wood detailing on the Palm Canyon frontage appears to be more for a beach club. Concrete detailing would improve the look of the hotel from the street.
- Concerned about the public benefit and loss of open space.
- Would like to see the hotel moved back 15 feet for additional open-space

Commissioner Hirschbein made the following comments:

- Thinks it's a great project.
- The model looks compressed and concurs with pushing back the building.
- Concurs with blending in the buildings with colors & materials and suggested a more sculptural staircase at the front entry.

Commissioner Donenfeld commented on:

- Thinks it's a great project as hotel space.
- Moving back the building is fine but not certain if 15 ft. might be too far.

Commissioner Middleton made the following comments:

- Outstanding project and the transformation of this part of town have been remarkable.
- Defer to colleagues on the architecture.
- Extremely supportive of the project.

Commissioner Lowe spoke in support of this project and suggested blending-in the frontage on Palm Canyon.

ACTION: Continue to a date certain of September 14, 2016 to allow the applicant to consider suggestions made by the Commission as follows:

- Blend-in the colors of the existing building into the new building.
- Further articulation for the stairwell.
- Push back the building back 15 feet to create more open-space.
- Consider using a different material for the wood elements on the Palm Canyon façade.
- Report back on neighborhood outreach.

I, TERRI HINTZ, Planning Administrative Coordinator for the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that the above action was taken by Planning Commission of the City of Palm Springs on the 10th day of August, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES:

Vice-Chair Weremiuk, Chair Calerdine, Commissioner Donenfeld,

Commissioner Hirschbein, Commissioner Hudson, Commissioner

Lowe, Commissioner Middleton

NOES:

None.

ABSENT:

None.

ABSTAIN:

None.

Terri Hintz

Planning Administrative Coordinator

Attachment 4

EXCERPT OF MINUTES

At the Architectural Advisory Committee meeting of the City of Palm Springs, held April 4, 2016, the Architectural Advisory Committee took the following action:

4. DEVELOP GOOD: CHRIS PARDO DESIGN ON BEHALF OF JOHN WESSMAN (LESSEE) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 66-ROOM, THREE-STORY HOTEL BUILDING WITHIN THE PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING COMPLEX LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE (CASE 3.3937 MAJ AND 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND). (DN)

Associate Planner Newell presented the proposed hotel as outlined in the staff memorandum.

Member Lockyer requested clarification on the overall density of the site.

CHRIS PARDO, project designer, provided background history and described the schematic plan including the architecture, shading and parking. He was available for questions.

Public Comments:

JUDY DEERTRACK, resides at Tahquitz Mesa Villas, disagrees with the concept and indicated that no community meetings were held. She expressed concern that the floor area ratio (FAR) is calculated for the entire site.

FRANK TYSEN, referred to the staff report regarding the Spanish architectural style on the site and questioned if this design fits in.

CHRIS PARDO, applicant rebuttal, addressed the open-space requirements and noted the mid-century and modern architectural buildings surrounding the project.

Member Song requested clarification on the exterior angles of the façade.

Member Lockyer commented that it appears that this project is dense in this location.

Member Secoy-Jensen requested clarification on how privacy is proposed for the first floors. She commented that the color and materials board is not adequate and would like to see the glass and storefront.

Member Lockyer noted that he likes the building facade and suggested eliminating the stucco box to open up the stairwell.

Chair Fredricks said that although he likes the building and design it seems to pop-out of the parking lot and would like to see mature palm trees to soften it. He suggested a more dramatic landscape for the existing wall on South Palm Canyon and adding shade trees to the parking lot.

Member Secoy-Jensen said that she would like to see the proposed hotel in context with the existing shopping center.

Chair Fredricks would like to see it in context with the restaurant and maybe softening the impact with a contextual rendering of the entire site.

Vice-Chair Cassady said a combination of landscape and paint color would make this project work. He likes the building and thinks the 3-story building might help buffer noise to the adjacent neighborhoods.

Member Fauber said he likes the project but there is not enough information.

Member Purnel said he likes the integration of the new project with the existing. He reiterated the importance of having a well-designed landscape plan that integrates the architectural styles and creates spaces. He suggested improving the frontage at the service area on Morongo Road and feathering out the landscape.

Member Song suggested looking at the colors of the restaurant building.

ACTION: Resubmittal with the following changes:

- Project in context with the existing shopping center.
- Color and material samples including the restaurant building.
- Pedestrian and vehicle circulation.

I, TERRI HINTZ, Planning Administrative Coordinator for the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that the above action was taken by Architectural Advisory Committee of the City of Palm Springs on the 4th day of April, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Fredricks, Fauber, Song, Secoy-Jensen, Purnel, Lockyer,

Vice-Chair Cassady

NOES: None ABSENT: None

Terri Hintz

Planning Administrative Coordinator

EXCERPT OF MINUTES

At the Architectural Advisory Committee meeting of the City of Palm Springs, held May 2, 2016), the Architectural Advisory Committee took the following action:

2. DEVELOP GOOD: CHRIS PARDO DESIGN ON BEHALF OF JOHN WESSMAN (LESSEE) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 66-ROOM, THREE-STORY HOTEL BUILDING WITHIN THE PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING COMPLEX LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE (CASE NOS. 3.3937 MAJ AND 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND). (DN)

Associate Planner Newell provided background information and an overview of the modifications made to the proposed project.

Member Song had questions about the parking lot shading.

Member Secoy-Jensen verified the proposed materials.

CHRIS PARDO, applicant, provided details on the circulation plan, pedestrian access, proposed materials, elevations of the entire buildings on the property and landscape plan.

FRANK TYSEN, said the AAC is not discussing the relationship to other buildings and architecture on projects.

JUDY DEERTRACK, resides at Tahquitz Mesa Villas, expressed concern with the mass and density, and project boundaries - how buildings related to one another (the building, the landscaping and parking).

ELENA PETERSON, landscape architect, provided details on the landscape plan.

Member Song noted the intricate form and shape of the building and suggested removing some of the parking and adding more landscaping to buffer the south and west side.

Member Secoy-Jensen (in response to public comment) said this site is far away from other buildings and land use is not their purview. She agrees that the stairwell and landscaping could be further refined with the buffer on the south and west side.

Member Fauber said he likes the project; however, agrees removing some parking spaces and adding more trees and plants to add to more "texture" to the project. He prefers the stairwell to be simpler.

Member Cassady concurs with most of the other comments; noting that this is a smart way to make use of the vacant building. He suggested integrating the color of the

existing building to the new building but overall is very supportive of the project.

Chair Fredricks said he likes the new building but would like to see the following changes:

- Add more Palo Verde trees to the parking areas.
- Remove 4 parking spaces on west side of building to create a landscape buffer.
- The frontage on South Palm Canyon needs more height, accents and sculpture to provide more interest.

Member Song suggested the following changes:

- Remove (8) parking spaces on the west side.
- Add additional landscaping in the parking lot.
- Flat work redesign needed at south tower stairwell.

Member Lockyer commented that additional landscape is needed between the existing and new buildings.

ACTION: Approve subject to Subcommittee review (Fredricks, Fauber and Lockyer):

- 1. Increase shading in the parking lot by adding more Palo Verde trees.
- 2. Remove eight (8) parking spaces and convert into landscape buffer with variation in heights to soften the transition to the parking lot.
- 3. Add trees and landscape, if necessary, to the north and south side of the hotel to soften the facade of the building.
- Submit a new landscape plan for South Palm Canyon Drive section 4. showing more height and dramatic landscaping.
- 5. Revise the sidewalk flatwork design at south stair tower.
- 6. Modify the landscape plan to show the existing olive trees as currently located.

I. TERRI HINTZ, Planning Administrative Coordinator for the City of Palm Springs, hereby certify that the above action was taken by Architectural Advisory Committee of the City of Palm Springs on the 2nd day of May, 2016, by the following vote:

AYES: Chair Fredricks, Fauber, Lockyer, Secoy-Jensen, Song, Vice-Chair

Cassady

NOES:

None

ABSENT:

Purnel

Terri Hintz

Planning Administrative Coordinator

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Attachment 5



PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS

In order to provide for the long-term improvement of the community, every application for a Planned Development District (PDD) and every amendment thereto – including all those enacted in lieu of a change of zone – shall include a public benefit in accordance with the provisions listed below.

- 1. The concept of a "public benefit" shall be a condition of granting zoning flexibility via approval of a Planned Development District, and is consistent with the goals, policies and objectives of the Palm Springs General Plan.
- The public benefit of an approved PDD shall be specifically identified by the Planning Commission and City Council within the record of approval (resolution or ordinance, as applicable).
- 3. The public benefit shall be proportional to the nature, type and extent of the flexibility granted from the standards and provisions of the Palm Springs Zoning Code.
- 4. A feature, improvement or dedication may only be considered as a public benefit when it exceeds the level of improvement needed to mitigate a project's environmental impacts or comply with dedication or exactions which are imposed on all projects, such as Quimby Act, public art, utility undergrounding, etc.
- 5. An approved public benefit shall be one of the following types:
 - a. <u>The project as Public Benefit</u> The project fulfills key General Plan objectives for land use (such as "mixed-use"), economic development, community beautification, additional parking, improved circulation, blight removal or the like.
 - b. <u>Key Features of the Project</u> The project includes features such as through-streets not indicated on the General Plan, interior parks, community open space, community meeting rooms, entry features, preservation of important buildings, preservation of natural features, daycare facility or other similar amenities.
 - c. <u>Sustainable Features</u> The project includes features which measurably aid achievement of the City's sustainability goals, including water conservation, energy conservation (e.g., LEED certified), active and passive solar features, California Green Building techniques, and other sustainable features.
 - d. Off-site Improvements The project includes off-site dedications and / or improvements, such as widened thoroughfares with meandering bikeways, public park lands, hiking trails, recreation facilities, construction of decorative medians, or other public improvements located off the project site.

Attachment 6



To the Palm Springs Planning Commission:

In response to the letter I received from Judy Deertrack this morning I must voice my concern as a private developer, business owner and Palm Springs resident. The letter cites Ms. Deertracks concerns with the use of PDD's with-in our City, her thesis is that this planning process or tool is overused and or is not in the best interest of Palm Springs. While she is entitled to her opinion, as am I, my hotel project is not the appropriate forum for her to address her concerns with an established process within the workings of the City. We have designed our project to meet all current zoning requirements and have taken the community and neighboring properties in mind.

Over the past few months I have meet with Ms. Deertrack and respect her opinions and appreciate her love for Palm Springs and working toward a viable, active, sustainable City.

My project, The Belardo Hotel is not a PDD, it is however an amendment to a PDD that occurred in 1980. The project seeks to activate an existing vacant building as well as a low occupancy shopping center. It was designed to fit within the scale of the 17 acre mixed use development. The actual site it sits on was approved originally as a two story office building 15' off of the sidewalk. The Belardo hotel sits 138' back from Palm Canyon and 112' off of Morongo. The actual lease I obtained consists of 3.7 acres

Ms. Deertrack in her evaluation of the property considers a number of suggested zoning designations including the actual zone as a Neighborhood Community Commercial (NCC)/C1 but fails to site the full zoning of the property which includes the "R" resort overlay:

92.25.00 "R" resort overlay zone

A. The economic growth and development of the city of Palm Springs is dependent in large part on the impact of the millions of people who visit the community each year seeking the recreational activities, a pleasant convention environment and relaxation for which Palm Springs has become known. The "R" resort overlay zone is intended primarily to provide for accommodations and services for these visitors while guarding against the intrusion of competing land uses.

Being along Palm Canyon the Resort Overlay district was clearly created to reinforce the existing infrastructure and character of S Palm Canyon (lined with hotels/resorts). The hotels serve as a buffer/transition to the surrounding residential neighborhoods. She cites the line from NCC, "Areas Designated as Neighborhood/Community Commercial provide an opportunity for convenience commercial uses that serve adjacent residential" which even without the R zone that

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the property has, reinforces the project as proposed. The addition of the Belardo hotel reduces the existing restaurant occupancy from 500 to 140, in addition to the restaurant it also includes a outdoor bar and pool open to the general public. Palm Springs has a long history of its residences frequenting hotel properties for great food, entertainment and for accommodating their out of town friends and family. Restaurants like El Jefe, Chi Chi, Kings Highway, SOPA, Birba, Cheekys, Reservoir, Normas, Spencers, Mr. Parkers all are attached to hotel properties and serve the local community, without these restaurants our quality of life would be substantially different. In addition hotels like Arrive, the Ace, Saguaro, Riviera, Sparrows, Hard Rock etc welcome locals onto their grounds and provide an incredible opportunity for relaxation and entertainment. So the Belardo satisfies both the "R" overlay as well as the underlining NCC/C1 zoning and is additive to the community of Palm Springs as a whole.

Further in Ms. Deertracks letter she cites an R-3 Ordinance pertaining to restaurants in hotels "Restaurants provided that they are an integral part of a hotel" "That any restaurant or other commercial uses be designated as an integral part of the hotel be located within the building". Again The Belardo even confirms to this zoning (which isn't its zoning), the restaurant is located within the main hotel lobby, similar to the Avalon, The Ace, Arrive, Sparrows, Riviera, etc. In addition the actual underlining zoning lists restaurants as a use allowed by right (free standing or otherwise). Lastly the restaurant is an existing use that has been in place since 1980, the project seeks to update and enhance the existing facilities.

Regarding 92.04.03 regarding the site. The project is part of a 17 acre tribally owned property, there is not an opportunity to subdivide the lot as it is a lease on leased land. That being said the leased area is 161,262 feet (3.7 acres). Below is a breakdown using the 3.7 acres that are leased.

- A: Each lot shall be a minimum of 20k sqft: Satisfied 161,262 sqft
- B: Lot Dimensions: 578'x279'
- C: Density allowed 161 hotel units: Satisfied 66 proposed
- D. Building Height: 30' for hotels or up to 100' if high-rise ordinance is met: Actual Height 32'8"
 Setbacks required by high rise ordinance 3' for every 1' of height. Required setback
- measured from the right-of-way line on the opposite site of the abutting street: 98.4' required from Palm Canyon and Morongo: Satisfied Actual from Palm Canyon 198' setback, from Morongo 157' setback
- Lot Coverage 40%: 64,504.80 actual is 44.8% 72,246: below by 7,742 sqft. ** This is the only exception the hotel seeks, that being said the high-rise ordinance also is defined as buildings over 35' at 32'8" we are consistent with the existing buildings in the Plaza Del Sol which range from 30-42' in height.

Public Benefit: Public benefit is required of projects that seek exceptions to zoning codes based on a PDD application. The PDD on this site occurred in 1980 and I assume satisfied its public benefit to get realized. The project included three additional buildings that were never built. This is an amendment to that PDD and the only exception requested is a reduction in overall lot coverage by 4.8% (ie 7,742 sqft), this is only required due to the 2'8" above the 30' height limit. Additional hardship circumstances that prohibit my ability to achieve 4.8% more open space is the fact that the hotel is built in the middle of a parking lot that is cross utilized by all the businesses at Plaza Del Sol. Parking lots are not counted in Palm Springs as open space. Thus for the exception of the 4.8% we have proposed that the public benefit is

- 1. Reopening and resizing an existing vacant restaurant to a more neighborhood sustainable size with an active use.
- 2. Reenergizing a low occupancy shopping center with an active daily use.
- 3. Creating over 80 fulltime jobs
- 4. Creating TOT revenue for the city of est. \$232,000 a year or \$2.32 million over the next 10 years. The property currently generates zero dollars.

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5. Regarding Ms. Deertracks final point of concern. The 250K economic development incentive received by the previous lessee to activate the former Cedar Creek Inn. I understand and appreciate the frustrations with the situation regarding the former lessee. That being said the point of the economic development incentive was to create active businesses, generate tax revenue and attract investment into the community. I would say that the 250K spent by the city to revision the former Cedar Creek Inn has done just that albeit not with the first operator. We would only have thought of and decided to pursue the Belardo Hotel due to the pool area improvements which exist on the site created by the development incentive.

That being said I am willing to assume the remaining outstanding liability of the development incentive and enter into a new agreement along the lines of the original contract. I am prepared to personally sign and committed to honoring the intent of the program.



Signature

Christopher R Pardo Chris Pardo Design, LLC

David Newell

From:

Chris Pardo <pardo@elementalarchitecture.com>

Sent:

Monday, September 05, 2016 11:32 AM

To:

Flinn Fagg; David Newell

Subject:

Belardo Hotel

Attachments:

Belardo Stair Options_reduced.pdf

Hello Flinn,

Hope you had a great weekend. Below is an outline of the changes I made based on comments from the Planning Commission.

1. The main concern was the positioning of the building relative to the pool. To re position it I would have to negotiate a new lease and navigate some existing parking easements, as well as move the underground Edison powerlines at an estimated cost of 250K.

Result: I have negotiated the lease and am accepting the fact that I will need to incur the additional cost from Edison. I moved the building West away from the pool by 15', creating a landscaped area with fruit trees and hammocks. In doing so I also removed the eastern parking spaces along the first drive aisle and reduced the drive aisle to one way 18' wide.

2. South Stair Design

Result: I investigated four major designs and ended up with a great partially enclosed solution that carries the angle of the stair in massing cut outs similar to the angles on the folding planes of the building. (See option 2)

3. South Elevation

Result: To add character and definition I over framed the South and North walls similar to the technique I employed on the balcony surrounds. Each side of the faces have a break point that varies at 8-10" maximum, creating a folding effect and shadow line. It compliments the overall design without distracting from the feature balconies

4. Suggestion by Doug Hudson to integrate some satillo tile or similar color some where.

Result: Since we are now rebuilding the West wall, I designed a layout to break up the monotony of the wall by incorporating Terra Cotta Hollow blocks for every other patio wall. The wall is designed with the CMU 20" proud of the Terra Cotta wall, repeating every other patio. We will also plant the same wall growing landscape on these walls.

5. Suggestion by Kathy to change the material in the walls of the cabanas

Result: Due to the construction of the cabanas the most ideal material is wood, but with the updated look and feel we are creating we will be replacing the cabana walls with Brazilian Ipe. Ipe similar to my guard rails at Ernest/Bootlegger has a rich brown tone and can withstand high heat better than other wood species. We will keep it oiled yearly to maintain the original tones.

6. I am holding a community/Neighborhood meeting tomorrow at 4pm. I sent out mailed notice to a 1500' radius and notified Judy Deer track, and Various neighborhood groups suggested by Lisa Middleton.

Regards,

Chris Pardo,

Founder/Principal

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Gold Nugget Merit Award - 2015

Gold List 2015 - Luxe Magazine Interiors & Design

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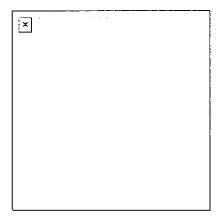
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Flinn Fagg City of Palm Springs

Re: Belardo Hotel - Develop Good LLC

Dear Flinn,

In response to Ms. Deertracks letter dated May 2nd. The PDD being amended covers the entire mixed use center of which the current project is a part. While Ms. Deertrack prefers that it be processed in a certain way, specifically, subdividing the center, there is no legal requirement do so. The PDD property works together, as a mixed use development. The current amendment adds hotel uses to that mix, however, such an additional use does not dictate the requirement that the property be subdivided. Her suggested "worst case" of 15 buildings all 5 feet from each other is not possible as the PDD is evaluated as a whole and prevents such a suggested abuse. The fact that the Dakota project is 24 feet in height has no bearing on the proposed project, as height is determined either through zoning or, as in this case, through the PDD process.

Allowing 100 feet in height on Indian lands has been a standard that has been in place for more than 30 years in the City of PS. If Ms. Deertrack has problems with the policy, she needs to take it up with the tribal council, but she cannot change the policy on an ad hoc basis in order to stop this project.

The project sits in the resort overlay "The economic growth and development of the city of Palm Springs is dependent in large part on the impact of the millions of people who visit the community each year seeking the recreational activities, a pleasant convention environment and relaxation for which Palm Springs has become known. The "R" resort overlay zone is intended primarily to provide for accommodations and services for these visitors"

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The siteplan/design meets all codes and was designed to be sensitive to setbacks, in-scale with the shopping center and provide a buffer to the neighborhood. The restaurants are now scaled to a residential size and will become a strong connection along Palm Canyon.

The project as proposed not only will act as a physical sound barrier but also substantially reduces the overall occupancy of the existing project. The Hacienda (or even the Cedar Creek Inn) is oversized for today's consumers, its almost impossible to be successful with a 8K+ sqft restaurant with an indoor capacity of over 500 people, outdoor the pool area had a capacity of over 2004. The hotel by integrating it into the restaurant reduces the restaurants sqft by half and its occupancy below 200 (reduction of 300 people), the hotel going in the grass area reduces the pool area capacity to 240. So the demands on the parking lot, the amount of traffic that will be coming and going to the Belardo have decreased by 80%. This alone increases pedestrian safety and reduces noise. To that point, a large reduction of road noise and music levels is created by the placement of the building and by the nature of my hotel group.

Just like Arrive I only chose to invest my time and money because I feel like it is a very positive addition consistent with the heritage and character of Palm Springs. My office is directly behind the Hacienda and experience what it is like being in the parking area everynight I leave my office. I have had to call the police four times because there was someone actively using drugs on my stair landing so I couldn't even leave my office. After the businesses close there is an invasion of homeless despite the security guards. That's when I started thinking about the old restaurant building. A hotel does a number of very positive things to this shopping center and surrounding residences. I run my hotels very well and I attract a positive group of customers. The hotel will provide "eyes" on the street even during after hours from my employees and my guests. I have witnessed a dramatic change in our block up at Arrive since I opened it two months ago. We have had almost all of the vagrant issues disappear. In addition the surrounding businesses have seen a large increase in sales and have chosen to upgrade their spaces. We expect to have the same results with this modern influenced boutique hotel.

Thank you for your time

Chris Pardo

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JUSTIFICATION LETTER

February 18, 2016

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS Department of Planning Services 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

"The Belardo Hotel" APN 513-300-038 Palm Springs, CA

"The Belardo Hotel" is an addition of a 66 room, 3 story, 29,712 Sq. Ft. hotel building to an existing project known as the Hacienda Beach Club and Cantina. The hotel is located at 1555 S Palm Canyon Dr. Palm Springs, CA 92264 on the corner of Palm Canyon Dr. and Morongo Rd. in Palm Springs. Currently, the restaurant and the pool, cabanas, and bocce courts are closed. The hotel will be built where the bocce courts are exist today. The existing restaurant building and pool areas to remain. The existing building will be modified on the West end to accommodate the hotel lobby, meeting spaces, and B.O.H. The East portion of the existing building to remain a restaurant with new outdoor patio. The proposed hotel consists of 66 350 SQ. Ft. rooms. Each room will have its own private balcony. Half of the rooms face the mountains and the other half faces the pool. Since the existing Bocce courts will be demolished, a new bocce court will be built and is located on the site plan. The existing pool and cabanas will remain. The building's design is: clean and modern with dynamic forms that will fit nicely into the aesthetic of Palm Springs.

We believe that this project provides a healthy and fun destination for vacationers at close proximity to downtown Palm Springs. The architecture is consistent with the modern appeal that Palm Springs is best known for. The Materials are smooth white stucco and anodized aluminum.

The project provides the city with an appealing architecture and uses on a lot that is no longer being utilized. Furthermore, this project provides a new and exciting use with very little impact to the existing site and context.

If there are any questions or further information needed please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Attachment 7

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Wednesday, September 14 2016

To: City of Palm Springs Planning Commission Palm Springs, California

2A. DEVELOP GOOD, LLC ON BEHALF OF JOHN WESSMAN (LESSEE) FOR A MAJOR ARCHITECTURAL APPLICATION AND PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT AMENDMENT TO CONSTRUCT A 66-ROOM, THREE-STORY HOTEL BUILDING WITHIN THE PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING COMPLEX LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE (CASE NOS. 3.3937 MAJ AND 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND). (DN)

Dear Planning Commission:

Please accept this as public comment for the above reference hearing regarding the proposed project. I am unable to attend due to the hearing being held during my regular work hours.

I would like to go on record as against this project for the following reasons:

- (1) Neighborhood Commercial is small scale and neighborhood serving, with a service ratio of one-half to one mile.
- (2) The zone compatible with this designation would be C-D-N, not C-1.
- (3) The Hacienda Cantina has outstanding financial obligations to the city that have not been resolved. It is recommended the project clear the financial issue, and renovate into its current use. Placing a 34 foot hotel into the middle of a pre-existing project that did not anticipate such a bizarre add-on does not make sense and is not aesthetically pleasing.
- (4) More than anything, this project seems to have no real boundaries or relationship to its surroundings; either in terms of its design, which differs substantially from SteinMart and the other facilities; but also in terms of its density.
- (5) The general plan does not allow for a restaurant to be separate from the hotel structure as is in this design.
- (6) We are also extremely concerned about noise after the nightmare of Hacienda Cantina.

Please take these points under consideration and recommend accordingly. The surrounding neighborhood is quiet and serene and there is plenty opposition to this project. We will not accept this project as is and have not ruled out litigation if it continues.

Respectfully,

Greg Varra

Judy Deertrack 1333 South Belardo Road, Apt 510 Palm Springs, CA 92264

Wednesday, September 14 2016

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To the Planning Commission:

I want to compliment Chris Pardo on his outreach to others and to me, and praise his consideration and patience when dealing with questions from the community. Chris has given freely and generously of his time with a wonderful attitude, and always exhibits a very thoughtful orientation in discussions of how he can incorporate commercial ideas into projects that would please the neighborhood and remain compatible with neighborhood functions, style, and scale. I really appreciate this.

I have told Chris that I do have some remaining concerns about this project, particularly because I have monitored the City's use of Ordinance 94.03.00 on Planned Development Districts (PDD's), and I want to keep setting a record of where I think change is needed on using PDD's. I am doing this across-the-board with about ninety PDD's that have been acted upon by the City Council in the last eleven years, so my comments go far beyond any one project. I could personally live with a hotel at that site, it does not impact me on any personal level, but I still want to discuss the PDD issues.

(1) GENERAL PLAN COMPLIANCE: At page 1-7 of the Palm Springs General Plan Administration Element, the City reaches a rather remarkable conclusion, as follows:

"The City of Palm Springs is a **charter city** and is therefore able to exercise broader powers to enact land use regulations than do general law cities. **For example, as a charter city, Palm Springs is not currently required to meet the state law requirement for consistency between the General Plan and the zoning ordinance. The City's charter city status provides it with greater control over its future development and administration." [bold-type emphasis added]**

This quotation at Admin Element page 1-7 is in direct contrast to the following declaration at Admin Element, page 1-17:

."The City's Municipal Code and Zoning Ordinance are the primary tools used to implement the goals and policies of the General Plan. The Zoning Ordinance provides more detailed direction related to development standards; permitted, conditionally permitted, and prohibited uses; and other regulations such as parking standards and sign regulations. The land uses specified in the Zoning Ordinance are based upon and should be consistent with the land use policies set forth in this element." [bold-type emphasis added]

Lastly, the Palm Springs General Plan Administration Element at page 1-18 states the following on Planned Development Districts, "All Planned Development Districts shall be consistent with the General Plan."

The issue of a Charter City's obligation for its ordinance and planning decisions to remain consistent with its general plan land use policies has been addressed directly in a recent decision of the Fourth Appellate District, Division Two, *People v. City of Palm Springs*, April 22, 2016, Opinion Filed, E062725.

People v. City of Palm Springs stemmed from litigation associated with the John Wessman **Dakota II** Decision, and the CEQA challenge to the City's General Plan Amendment that eliminated the minimum density range on its residential land use classifications. The City's conclusion that it was exempt from zoning obligations because of its charter city status was directly addressed by the court of appeals at page 16-17 of the Decision:

"Further, we find the City's reliance on its zoning ordinance as providing guidance on 'whether the [Amendment] has the potential to reduce residential densities' to be misplaced. As the City acknowledges, the zoning ordinance sets no minimums on residential density. However, the General Plan does. **The General Plan is a 'constitution' for future development [citation] located at the top of the 'hierarchy of local government law regulating land use' [citation],"** (DeVita v. County of Napa (1995) 9 Cal 4th 763, 772-773.) 'A zoning ordinance [*17) is consistent with the city's general plan where, considering all of its aspects, the ordinance furthers the objectives and policies of the general plan and does not obstruct their attainment. [Citation.]

"A zoning ordinance that is inconsistent with the general plan is invalid when passed [citations] and one that was originally consistent but has become inconsistent must be brought into conformity with the general plan. [citation]. The Planning and Zoning Law does not contemplate the general plans will be amended to conform to zoning ordinances. The tail does not wag the dog. The general plan is the charter to which the ordinance must conform.' [citation] The same rule applies to this case. (City of Irvine v. Irvine Citizens Against Overdevelopment (1994) 25 Cal. App. 4th 868, 879." at page 6 [bold-type emphasis added]

Going back to the language of the City's General Plan in its Administration Element, the City admits that the zoning ordinance is its major tool to implement the goals, policies, objectives, and vision of its General Plan, and the City must rigorously work to keep its incremental actions in line with that long-term vision. The significance of the General Plan is that it truly represents the will of the people because of the extensive workshops and contributions of the citizenry in co-designing the future of the City.

This public contribution is not to be lightly regarded, and with this in mind, the State of California requires annual review of the status of General Plan programs and objectives – including the long range impact of land use entitlements. I have not been able to find evidence that the City complies with this obligation of annual review, and if this is the case, I would suggest an immediate change of course:

"Those portions of the [general] plan having a short-term focus, such as the implementation program, should be annually reviewed and amended as necessary. The review should take into account the availability of new implementation tools, changes in funding sources, and the feedback from the plan monitoring activities. Indeed, GC §65400(b) requires the planning agency to "[p]rovide an annual report to the legislative body on the status of the plan and progress in its implementation." The local agency must include as part of this report an evaluation of its progress toward meeting its share of regional housing needs (GC §65584) and local efforts to remove the governmental constraints which may serve as an obstacle to meeting those needs. (GC §65583)" State of California General Plan Guidelines, Governor's Office of Planning and Research, at page 35. [bold-type emphasis added]

My immediate concern is the frequency with which the City abandons use of its zoning ordinance and substitutes the use of a Planned Development District, regardless of context, regardless of whether the project is mixed-use, or whether it is complex, and largely in the complete absence of circumstances that demonstrate the need to abandon and vacate normal planning standards. The general plan and ordinances, as designed, are perfectly adequate to allow a broad range of development options on PD 131. In other words, the City has not demonstrated the need for "flexibility." In the case at point, with the Belardo Hotel, this is simply the addition of a three-story hotel to a pre-existing restaurant site, in the location of the bocce court.

I have reviewed the City's use of the PDD over the last eleven years, and find that it is used at about 90% frequency (or more) in Palm Springs, particularly if one eliminates the condominium developments, which are mostly done by regular ordinance. This is an extraordinary level of abandonment of the plan implementation inherent in zoning, its standards and constraints.

I offer a finding from a planning study on the use of PDD's within City jurisdictions, state of Texas. The quote is from the Southwestern Legal Foundation, Proceedings on the Institute on Planning, Zoning, and Eminent Domain, 1992, Frank F. Turner, FAICP, and Terry D. Morgan, Esq., *Introduction to Planned Development Zoning:*

"In 1991, the authors of this chapter conducted a survey of the twenty largest (by population) cities in Texas to determine their use of planned development zoning. Seventeen of the twenty largest cities in Texas used planned development zoning. One of the most interesting findings of the survey was how frequently the cities used planned development zoning. Seven percent of zoning cases approved during 1991 by the seventeen cities involved the use of planned development districts. Four cities reported that twenty percent or more of their zoning cases involved use of planned development districts. The frequency of use was greatest in the Dallas/Fort Worth area." [bold-type emphasis added]

The City of Palm Springs has three primary planning obligations: (1) to enact and update its General Plan under California State Guidelines; (2) to implement the policies, goals, objectives, and programs of the General Plan over time using its ordinances as the major tool; and (3) to produce an annual accounting of its progress to the People and the State. I find the City sorely remiss in Obligations (2) and (3). By consistently ignoring its designed ordinances on the location and mixture of uses; on housing type; on height; on density; on setbacks; on distance between buildings; on open space; on building mass; on floor area ratio; and parking – and substituting ad hoc planning without establishing the need to vacate these standards – the City has chosen to disregard the will and contributions of its own local populace. This is deeply disturbing.

(2) MIXED/MULTI-USE PLANNING AREAS: Planned Development Districts (PDD's) are used by most jurisdictions as a reasonable accommodation to mixed-use development where the land use is "intended to function differently than the typical patterns of segregated uses in that the distribution of uses is generally more concentrated,...." Palm Springs General Plan Land Use Element at 2-30.

In these circumstances, cities have provided for flexibility of zoning standards that accommodates the complexity and design considerations inherent in mixed-use. There is every indication that the City of Palm Springs intended to limit its use of the PDD to the Mixed-Multi-Use Areas designated in its General Plan at pages 2-30 through 2-35. The General Plan specifies seven areas where mixed/multi-use designations will apply. PDD 131 is not in one of these areas.

PDD 131 at the SteinMart complex occurs within a Neighborhood Community Commercial (NCC) Area that serves adjacent residential neighborhoods, and anticipates simple services such as dry cleaners, grocery stores, bakeries, post offices, drug stores and small-scale restaurants. "Areas designated as Neighborhood/Community Commercial provide an opportunity for convenience commercial uses that serve adjacent residential neighborhoods." General Plan Land Use Element at page 2-6. PD 131 is not a mixed/multi-use area; it does not serve neighborhood purposes; nor is it a complex lot with planning challenges that require flexibility in zoning standards.

(3) ZONING COMPATIBILITY: The AAC Staff Memorandum dated April 4, 2016, at page 5, states that the Neighborhood Community Commercial (NCC) for PD 131 has an underlying zoning of C-1 that allows hotels permitted by right, subject to R-3 development standards.

Regardless of whether the City has actually zoned this parcel C-1, I would maintain that if this is the case, the property is incorrectly designated. "3.26.2 A Neighborhood Convenience Center is intended to provide a service radius of one-half to one mile, with a supermarket as a major tenant, on a 10-30 acre site. Structures shall be a maximum of 30 feet in height." General Plan Appendix E Bridge Policy, at page E-7.

SteinMart (the primary tenant of PD 131) is now housed in what was previously the site of Ralph's Supermarket. The site is 17 acres, and the other tenants are of a type and style expressed in the General Plan NCC classification – small restaurants, a dry cleaner, a dog groomer, a small car rental office.

Ordinance 92.12.00 "C-1" states the zone is "intended as a business district, primarily retail business with related hotels, service, office, cultural and institutional uses."

Ordinance 92.10.00 "C-D-N" designed neighborhood shopping center zone not only fits the description of NCC by its obvious language (neighborhood shopping center zone), but its description fits the neighborhood concept to a "T."

"The C-D-N zone provides an opportunity for convenience commercial uses to be oriented directly to the residential neighborhood they serve by means of a planned commercial complex. The shopping centers established under this zone are intended to be an integrated element of the neighborhood and to promote a harmonious relationship between convenience services and the residential environment...." [emphasis added] (Ord. 92.10.00)

As one would expect of this designation, residential uses, including hotels, are prohibited uses in the classification. (Ord. 92.10.02 Uses Prohibited).

(4) HOUSING REGULATORY INCENTIVES (PDD): The General Plan Housing Element, including Table 3-15 "Regulatory Incentives," at page 3-37 and 3-38, provides a working context for granting the waiver of development standards under a PDD. Under the General Plan at page 3-37, "The City has several planning tools to facilitate and encourage housing projects." The listed Housing Regulatory Incentives are Minor Modifications, Density Bonuses, Planned Development, and Variance; the objective is to increase density in housing.

Table 3-15 at page 3-38 has a Sample Reduction in Standards. It is very clear from this chart that a PD is intended to involve MAJOR modifications from the standards. Otherwise, an applicant/developer need only apply for a Minor Modification with the Planning Director; and can receive a reduction of standards between 10% to 20%. A PD has **no limit** on Yards/Open Space, Lot Area, or Parking – BUT the justification for squeezing out the open space and parking components is the benefit to affordable housing that results from increased housing density. This may be the planned "public benefit" that justifies the waiver of planning standards, and results in increases in density under a PDD. What is less clear is whether the PDD was ever intended to have a range of use beyond either the Mixed/Multi-Use context, and/or the housing incentive context.

(5) PROJECT BOUNDARIES: Project boundaries would normally consist of the hotel, accessory uses, landscaping, open space features of the hotel, and parking. One indicator of the intended project lot size would be the area encompassed in the lease arrangement between Develop Good, LLC, and the owner of the underlying Indian Master Lease, John Wessman. The City has stated on the record it is not aware of the lot dimensions of the lease; nor does it find a developer obligation to subdivide the lot. My concern is how the City calculates the necessary ratios between hotel rooms, building mass, height, and setback requirements without

project boundaries, since ALL of these calculations require a mathematical ratio between the lot size and the feature – BUT as it relates to this project, not other projects within PD 131!

The City has chosen to use the entire PD 131 parameters of 17 acres as its project boundary, including other unrelated project areas such as SteinMart and Miros Restaurant, etc., and the southerly vacant area (future projects) consisting of approximately eight vacant acres, divided from this project by the SteinMart complex. The City calculates its open space requirement for this project using open space that is acres away, and on the other side of SteinMart. This is a ludicrous result, justified in the City's testimony by the fact the underlying Master Lease for the entire 17 acres is held by John Wessman. That simple fact has no connection to the project requirements of the R-3 zone.

(6) AN ANALYSIS OF R-3 ZONING: Even assuming that the proper zoning is not designed neighborhood shopping center zone (C-D-N), which would require the development standards of Ordinance 92.10.03 (Property Development Standards for C-D-N) and would prohibit hotels and residences — let's at least proceed with an analysis of the Ordinance the City has stated pertains, or the Ordinance 92.10.00 series for R-3 Multi-Family Residential and Hotel Zone.

Under R-3 Ordinance 92.04.01 Uses permitted by right or by conditional use permit at D.9. state, "Incidental or accessory commercial uses located within hotels containing less than one hundred (100) guest rooms and operated primarily for the convenience of the hotel guests; providing, such total commercial uses shall occupy not more than twenty (20) percent of the gross floor area of the hotel buildings." D.16 states, "Restaurants, provided that they are an integral part of a hotel which contains at least 20 guest rooms." A.2.b. states, "That any restaurant or other commercial uses be designed as an integral part of the hotel and be located within the hotel building."

The Project Description of Amended PD 131 (Belardo Hotel) is as follows: "The westerly end of the existing restaurant building will be modified to accommodate the hotel lobby, meeting space and back-of-house functions. The easterly end will remain a restaurant with new outdoor eating space." AAC Staff Memorandum of April 4, 2016 at page 4. This description of the project does not conform to ordinance requirements. The PDD Ordinance has no provision for waiver of these requirements, but most probably is limited to variation in Setbacks, Open Space, Lot Area, and Parking – limited to the finding that the "project can mitigate any impacts that would be generated by the modifications." General Plan Administration Element at page 1-18; Table 3-15 Regulatory Incentives.

Ordinance 92.04.03 Property Development Standards for R-3 and Hotels requires appropriate project boundaries (related to the actual project) in order to run the following calculations:

- A. "Each lot shall have a minimum lot area of twenty thousand (20,000) square feet." (calculated against 17 acres)
- B. "Lot Dimensions. (1) Width; (2) Depth" (calculated against 17 acres)
- C. "Density. Maximum allowable; provided all other ordinance requirements relating to such things as parking, open space, setbacks, etc., are met" (suggests the PD cannot be used to lower these standards) "1. Hotel. There shall be a minimum of one thousand (1,000) square feet of net lot area for each dwelling unit of a hotel or resort hotel with surface parking..." (calculated against 17 acres, with open space calculations on the southerly end of PD 131, outside the project area).
- D. "Building Height" (24 feet and two stories except as otherwise provided) 2. Exceptions: "b. Hotels. A height not greater than thirty (30) feet shall be permitted over a maximum of fifty (50) percent of the ground floor area of all buildings and structures. (the hotel, as designed, does not vary in roof height)
- D.2.c. "High rise buildings may be permitted pursuant to the provisions of Sections 93.04.00 and 94.02.00." Ordinance 93.04.00 High-rise buildings A. and C.1. require that sixty (60) percent of the site area be usable landscaped open space and recreation area. This anticipates a project area related and contiguous to the hotel. This is impossible to calculate without project boundaries and a subdivided lot. C.1. requires a 3:1

horizontal setback for each (1) foot of vertical rise of the building. This cannot be calculated without adequate project boundaries.

(7) PUBLIC BENEFIT CLAUSE: The City Council has adopted a policy requiring that PDD's provide a specific 'public benefit' proportionate to the nature, type and extent of the relief granted from the development standards and requirements. The city's website contains a Public Benefit Policy Statement that is used on occasion, but a great deal of PDD's are justified by the economic development of the project itself; without regard for a calculation of the project worth if it had proceeded by normal ordinance, without the waivers. Accordingly, the calculation of economic benefit may be worthless.

Development standards are designed to limit overdevelopment of land, and waivers of these standards are a public detriment to begin with. The idea of a Planned Development District is not to create a favorable environment for developer profit. The purpose is to provide flexibility in zoning standards to account for the complexity of project design; and that is its mixed/multi-use function. The objective is not to increase the density of the lot or intensity of use. Development standards implement the General Plan. Waiver of standards put undue pressure on infrastructure from intensifying use. Overuse of PDD's break down the neighborhood compatibility standards, because (by definition) they are a radical break from the pre-existing projects.

The exception where increases in density results in public benefits is affordable housing. Affordable housing incentives are a legitimate justification and a statewide concern; but Palm Springs is LOWERING HOUSING DENSITY with PDD's by converting R-3 Multi-Family Residential into Single-Family Residential in order to maximize developer return. The average PDD I have seen is at about 6 du/ac; and the MFR goal of 15-30+ units has virtually disappeared. The evidence of this trend was reflected in the opinion of the Appellate Court, wherein the Fourth District stated that the General Plan Amendment eliminating minimum thresholds of housing density in response to the Dakota II PDD has resulted in an adverse impact upon diversified and affordable housing.

The PDD ordinance gives no criteria whatsoever to measure benefits and detriments of proceeding under its normal ordinances versus waiving the standards and substituting with ad hoc judgment.

The Developer Letter (Public Benefit Justification) submitted with the Application in the Belardo Hotel (PD 131 Amendment) reads as follows: "We believe this project provides a healthy and fun destination for vacationers at close proximity to downtown Palm Springs. ... The project provides the city with an appealing architecture and uses on a lot that is no longer being utilized."

This public benefit statement of benefits arising from utilizing the lot itself cannot justify the break from normal planning standards; particularly where there is no evidence that the developer is in any manner unfairly constrained by normal planning standards. If he was, the variance is available, with all of its public safeguards.

(8) HACIENDA CANTINA: Everyone would love to see a solution for Hacienda Cantina. Everyone in the surrounding residential areas appreciates and supports the efforts of the development team to make viable use of the project area. I actually do not really object to the hotel. However, I do believe that the city of Palm Springs has reached a watershed decision on the PDD process, and just how far it is willing to keep stretching standards without justification. I would offer to keep searching for a solution to make this land viable, but also in a manner that it complies with the ultimate planning standard.

"The General Plan is a 'constitution' for future development [citation] located at the top of the 'hierarchy of local government law regulating land use' [citation]," (DeVita v. County of Napa (1995) 9 Cal 4th 763, 772-773.) 'A zoning ordinance. [*17) is consistent with the city's general plan where, considering all of its aspects, the ordinance furthers the objectives and policies of the general plan and does not obstruct their attainment. [Citation.]" (People v. City of Palm Springs).

Planning actions (permits) are forged by compliance with ordinances, and ordinances fit the mold of the General Plan in an ascending hierarchy – the land use entitlement must further the objectives and policies of the general plan and not obstruct its attainment.

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Hacienda Cantina is a project and a building that incorporated \$250,000 worth of publicly funded renovations. The Grantee defaulted on the grant; the renovations still exist in a building that is owned by John Wessman and leased by Develop Good, LLC. The liabilities to the city on Hacienda Cantina (and parties responsible) are obscure. Perhaps this public obligation should be accounted for before any entitlements are granted without reference to the outstanding liability.

Despite the technical assessment, which I cannot bypass, given my role on the PDD Study, I must begin and end by complimenting Chris Pardo. I think he is talented, has a trove of innovative ideas, and I certainly hope he will stick with this City, that he will observe and understand my points in this critique, and understand that I still think he has a great deal to offer – on this project and others! My best to him and Develop Good, LLC, and I will support them wherever I can.

With regard,

Judy Deertrack

ATTACHMENTS (PROVIDED BY EMAIL TO CITY CLERK ONLY):

EXHIBIT A - Government Code 65400 Annual Planning Report

EXHIBIT B – General Plan Land Use Element 2-30 to 2-35 Mixed/Multi-Use Areas (Seven)

EXHIBIT C - General Plan Housing Element 3-38 (Table 3-15) Housing Regulatory Incentives

EXHIBIT D - PDD Public Benefit Policy Statement (Adopted September 17, 2008)

EXHIBIT E - Developer Letter on Public Benefit dated February 18, 2016

EXHIBIT A

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65400-65404

65400. (a) After the legislative body has adopted all or part of a general plan, the planning agency shall do both of the following:

- (1) Investigate and make recommendations to the legislative body regarding reasonable and practical means for implementing the general plan or element of the general plan, so that it will serve as an effective guide for orderly growth and development, preservation and conservation of open-space land and natural resources, and the efficient expenditure of public funds relating to the subjects addressed in the general plan.
- (2) Provide by April 1 of each year an annual report to the legislative body, the Office of Planning and Research, and the Department of Housing and Community Development that includes all of the following:
 - (A) The status of the plan and progress in its implementation.
- (B) The progress in meeting its share of regional housing needs determined pursuant to Section 65584 and local efforts to remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing pursuant to paragraph (3) of subdivision (c) of Section 65583.

The housing element portion of the annual report, as required by this paragraph, shall be prepared through the use of forms and definitions adopted by the Department of Housing and Community Development pursuant to the rulemaking provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Chapter 3.5 (commencing with Section 11340) of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2). Prior to and after adoption of the forms, the housing element portion of the annual report shall include a section that describes the actions taken by the local government towards completion of the programs and status of the local government's compliance with the deadlines in its housing element. That report shall be considered at an annual public meeting before the legislative body where members of the public shall be allowed to provide oral testimony and written comments.

The report may include the number of units that have been substantially rehabilitated, converted from nonaffordable to affordable by acquisition, and preserved consistent with the standards set forth in paragraph (2) of subdivision (c) of Section 65583.1. The report shall document how the units meet the standards set forth in that subdivision.

- (C) The degree to which its approved general plan complies with the guidelines developed and adopted pursuant to Section 65040.2 and the date of the last revision to the general plan.
- (b) If a court finds, upon a motion to that effect, that a city, county, or city and county failed to submit, within 60 days of the deadline established in this section, the housing element portion of the report required pursuant to subparagraph (B) of paragraph (2) of subdivision (a) that substantially complies with the requirements of this section, the court shall issue an order or judgment compelling compliance with this section within 60 days. If the city, county, or city and county fails to comply with the court's order within 60 days, the plaintiff or petitioner may move for sanctions, and the court may, upon that motion, grant appropriate sanctions. The court shall retain jurisdiction to ensure that its order or judgment is

carried out. If the court determines that its order or judgment is not carried out within 60 days, the court may issue further orders as provided by law to ensure that the purposes and policies of this section are fulfilled. This subdivision applies to proceedings initiated on or after the first day of October following the adoption of forms and definitions by the Department of Housing and Community Development pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (a), but no sooner than six months following that adoption.

65401. If a general plan or part thereof has been adopted, within such time as may be fixed by the legislative body, each county or city officer, department, board, or commission, and each governmental body, commission, or board, including the governing body of any special district or school district, whose jurisdiction lies wholly or partially within the county or city, whose functions include recommending, preparing plans for, or constructing, major public works, shall submit to the official agency, as designated by the respective county board of supervisors or city council, a list of the proposed public works recommended for planning, initiation or construction during the ensuing fiscal year. The official agency receiving the list of proposed public works shall list and classify all such recommendations and shall prepare a coordinated program of proposed public works for the ensuing fiscal year. Such coordinated program shall be submitted to the county or city planning agency for review and report to said official agency as to conformity with the adopted general plan or part thereof.

65402. (a) If a general plan or part thereof has been adopted, no real property shall be acquired by dedication or otherwise for street, square, park or other public purposes, and no real property shall be disposed of, no street shall be vacated or abandoned, and no public building or structure shall be constructed or authorized, if the adopted general plan or part thereof applies thereto, until the location, purpose and extent of such acquisition or disposition, such street vacation or abandonment, or such public building or structure have been submitted to and reported upon by the planning agency as to conformity with said adopted general plan or part thereof. The planning agency shall render its report as to conformity with said adopted general plan or part thereof within forty (40) days after the matter was submitted to it, or such longer period of time as may be designated by the legislative body.

If the legislative body so provides, by ordinance or resolution, the provisions of this subdivision shall not apply to: (1) the disposition of the remainder of a larger parcel which was acquired and used in part for street purposes; (2) acquisitions, dispositions, or abandonments for street widening; or (3) alignment projects, provided such dispositions for street purposes, acquisitions, dispositions, or abandonments for street widening, or alignment projects are of a minor nature.

(b) A county shall not acquire real property for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (a), nor dispose of any real property, nor construct or authorize a public building or structure, in another county or within the corporate limits of a city, if such city or other county has adopted a general plan or part thereof and such general plan or part thereof is applicable thereto, and a city shall not acquire real property for any of the purposes specified in paragraph (a), nor dispose of any real property, nor construct or



EXHIBIT B (SIX PAGES)

- LU7.2 Schedule annual strategic-planning meetings with the Bureau of Tourism to market the City and its resort amenities to visitors.
- LU7.4 Amend the CBD designation in the Zoning Ordinance to allow supermarkets and other personal service uses that would be used by residents living in the downtown area.
- LU7.5 Amend the Zoning Code to include provisions that regulate the conversion of small hotels to residential uses. Code requirements may include minimum unit sizes or other provisions to ensure the preservation of the character of the surrounding residential areas.
- LU7.6 Evaluate and propose an incentive program for preserving small hotels.
- LU7.7 Study timeshare condo hotels ("fractional ownership hotels") and create a Zoning Ordinance provision to define and provide guidelines for this emerging type of residential product.

MIXED/MULTI-USE AREAS

The introduction of mixed- and multi-use development, if properly implemented, can add vitality, sociability, and land use efficiency to a City. The mixed/multi-use areas identified on the Land Use Plan are intended to function differently than the typical patterns of segregated uses in that the distribution of uses is generally more concentrated, and uses are also generally mixed either vertically or horizontally within any given property.

Mixed use projects often contain retail or office uses on the ground floor with commercial, office, or residential uses on the floors above. Multi-use projects, which lend themselves more to stand-alone horizontal development with adjacent differing uses, are better suited to larger parcels. They are most successful when unified by common design themes and tied together by a series of plazas and pedestrian promenades. The mix of uses should promote civic activity, define neighborhood character, and provide places for people to meet and socialize, enhancing the area's overall quality of life. These areas are intended to provide services and distinct gathering places and activity centers for surrounding neighborhoods and businesses. Introduction of mixed- and multi-use development should be targeted for vacant and underperforming sites or areas where the City wants to create a stronger concentration of activity. The scale, size, and mixture of uses in these areas will vary based upon the character of the surrounding areas.

As most of the mixed-use areas identified on the Land Use Plan are proposed along prominent corridors, the introduction of residential uses should be carefully designed to enhance the functionality and aesthetic appearance of

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the corridor while creating a livable, high-quality housing opportunity. Midblock corridor residential designs are encouraged in projects that apply a multi-use approach to infill.

Site planning and landscape design in mixed-use areas should incorporate pedestrian-oriented amenities, including walkway connections, outdoor seating areas, and/or food courts. Integrated interior and exterior spaces are also encouraged. Designs should incorporate shade trees, shade structures, small fountains, misters, and similar techniques that make outdoor areas comfortable year-round. More detailed policy guidance related to corridor residential development can be found in the Community Design Element.

The application of mixed/multi-use strategies are most appropriate for:

- Vacant parcels within existing development that are suitable for such development;
- Existing development that can be redesigned to become more contemporary and functional in its use of the land;
- Existing development that can be intensified or rehabilitated to become more productive;
- · Existing uses that can be removed, replaced, and redeveloped; or
- A combination for these strategies where properties are characterized by a mix of suitable conditions.

Several of these conditions are found along Palm Canyon Drive and in the northern part of the City. While much of the City is already built out, these areas provide the City with opportunities to facilitate the redevelopment and revitalization of underutilized properties and development of vacant lands. This General Plan specifies seven areas where the mixed/multi-use designation will apply. Following are descriptions of those areas, and the mix of uses that is envisioned for each.

Indian Canyon Drive and San Rafael Drive

The northwest corner of Indian Canyon Drive and San Rafael Drive is characterized by a collection of small industrial businesses, multifamily residential uses and several vacant parcels. This area provides a prime opportunity to introduce a mixed-use area that contains uses that would be complementary to and supported by a higher education campus, which is proposed a block north of this area.

Preferred mix of uses: 55–65 percent industrial, 15–25 percent residential, 15–25 percent commercial



Artist Colony

The north end of Palm Canyon Drive is characterized by a series of underutilized and vacant commercial centers that, at first glance, provide a deteriorating image of the City as visitors travel toward Downtown. Overall, the northern end of the City lacks distinct gathering places, with residents and businesses relying mainly upon Downtown to serve this need. The Artist Colony provides a prime opportunity to introduce housing along the Palm Canyon Drive corridor and to provide much needed neighborhood-serving commercial uses and gathering spaces.

Preferred mix of uses: 40–60 percent residential, 15–25 percent office, 20–35 percent commercial

Uptown

Immediately north of the Downtown, the Uptown mixed/multi-use area is located along North Palm Canyon Drive and North Indian Canyon Drive, north of Alejo, south of Via Escuela. A collection of art galleries and boutiques are located here, along with medical and professional office uses. A more vibrant retail/commercial area serving the needs of the adjacent desirable residential neighborhoods of Las Palmas, Vista Las Palmas, Movie Colony, and Ruth Hardy Park are needed in this area.

A concentrated mix of uses here could stimulate activity and create a sense of place by connecting new residential uses with the nearby medical offices, including the Desert Resort Regional Medical Center, and specialty shopping in the Heritage District. The primary purpose of a mixed-use center in the Uptown area is to generate a synergy between complementary uses that can ultimately result in a gathering place for residents and businesses in the northern end of the City.

Preferred mix of uses: 30-40 percent residential, 30-40 percent commercial, 20-30 percent office

Vista Chino and Sunrise Way

This corner is surrounded by an established single-family neighborhood to the north and west, and neighborhood commercial uses to the east and south. Smaller-scale, neighborhood-serving, commercial development integrated with a unique residential opportunity is envisioned for this site, providing a gathering place within walking distance for the residents living in the adjacent neighborhoods. The character and scale of this mixed-use area is smaller than those along Palm Canyon Drive; building design should maintain a lower profile consistent with the heights of the adjacent uses.

Preferred mix of uses: 60-70 percent residential, 30-40 percent commercial

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Palm Canyon Drive and Sunny Dunes Road

The Sunny Dunes and Palm Canyon Drive mixed/multi-use area currently contains scattered commercial uses and large vacant parcels. Different from the mixed/multi-use areas identified above, the Palm Canyon Drive and Sunny Dunes Road area is envisioned as a mixed-use area creating an office, retail, and residential node just south of Downtown. This mix of uses will complement the hotel uses along East Palm Canyon Drive by providing a concentrated commercial and office base in close proximity to visitor accommodations.

Preferred mix of uses: 30–50 percent commercial, 30–50 percent office; 15–20 percent residential

Smoke Tree

The Smoke Tree mixed-use area is located along East Palm Canyon Drive, between Sunrise Way and the city limits. Smoke Tree is ideally located to serve the needs of surrounding residential neighborhoods, and is characterized by its intimate scale, pedestrian orientation, and vibrant human activity. The purpose of this area is to create a unique mixed-use center characterized by pedestrian-oriented retail shops, restaurants, hotel facilities, and multifamily residential uses.

Preferred mix of uses: 30-60 percent residential uses, 20-40 percent resort commercial, 20-40 percent neighborhood commercial

Palm Springs Mall

Located along one of the City's most visible corridors, the Palm Springs Mall presents an opportunity to inject new vitality along Tahquitz Canyon Way, which serves as the City's most important east-west corridor linking Downtown and the Airport. As a mixed/multi-use area comprised of residential, office, and commercial uses, it is envisioned that this node will provide an opportunity for more efficient use of an underutilized commercial site that can complement the civic and office uses currently existing along the corridor.

Preferred mix of uses: 25-35 percent residential, 25-35 percent office, 40-50 percent commercial



GOAL LU8:

Strategically introduce mixed- and multi-use infill projects in underutilized areas to create neighborhood activity centers serving the day-to-day needs of nearby residents, employees, and visitors.

Policies

- LU8.1 Encourage new mixed/multi-use developments in areas that are currently vacant or underutilized.
- LU8.2 Encourage flexibility of design in development by allowing both a vertical and/or horizontal mix of uses.
- LU8.3 Encourage and accommodate the development of specialty uses such as boutiques, art galleries, bookstores, restaurants, interior decorators, hardware stores and other similar uses that cater to the residents in close proximity to mixed/multi-use areas.
- LU8.4 Allow designated mixed/multi-use areas to contain buildings that are taller than the surrounding neighborhood.
- LU8.5 Provide pedestrian links from the commercial, office, and retail uses within mixed/multi-use areas to minimize vehicular traffic.
- LU8.6 Allow for and encourage the development of facilities and gathering places that provide for the social and health needs (daycare centers, social-service providers, medical facilities, etc.) of the residents within mixed/multi-use areas.
- LU8.7 On-site parking is encouraged to be accessed from side streets or public alleys to minimize traffic impacts on major streets and to avoid interruption in the street-front design of commercial centers.
- LU8.8 Cluster development where appropriate to create centers of activity or to preserve natural features.
- LU8.9 Allow for boulevard residential uses as long as the proposed residential uses are consistent with the midblock corridor residential goals and policies found in the Community Design Element.

Residential units proposed along major corridors such as Palm Canyon Drive.

Boulevard Residential:

Actions

LU8.1 Require Planned Developments for new mixed/multi-use projects proposing a mix of residential and commercial uses.

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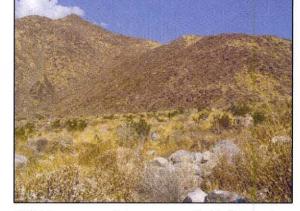
- LU8.2 Continually monitor the preferred mix of uses within mixed/ multi-use areas, and encourage new uses that will provide new services that complement existing uses.
- LU8.3 Update the zoning ordinance to identify specific standards for building height and other development issues in mixed/multi-use designations.

MOUNTAINS AND HILLSIDES

The remarkable landforms created by the San Jacinto and Santa Rosa Mountains are a defining characteristic for Palm Springs as well as one of the City's most coveted resources. Wrapping around the developed areas of City to the west and south, the steep topography of the mountains provides the

City with a dramatic visual backdrop and scenic views that are unparalleled in the Coachella Valley. Over the years, Palm Springs residents have reaffirmed that the hillsides are an irreplaceable asset to their community; development projects proposed in the hillsides have either been overturned through a vote of the residents or have required additional, more detailed environmental analyses. Efforts to establish a future direction in these areas is further complicated by the need to coordinate with multiple property owners and agencies such as the Agua Caliente Tribe and the Bureau of Land Management.

As available land in the central city becomes scarce, it will become increasingly important to establish guidance for the protection and thoughtful development of these areas. The intent is to ensure that proposed development is carefully



Hillsides are some of the most recognizable features in Palm Springs.

designed to respect the hillsides and their sensitive biological resources. Residential uses are extremely limited in these areas, 1 unit per 40 acres, and they must be of high quality and sited in ways that conserve the City's valuable natural landforms.

The importance of the mountainous areas was further emphasized by the City Council, which established the Citizens' Task Force for Mountain and Foothill Preservation and Planning to evaluate the City's land use policies for mountainous areas and provide recommendations that would protect the scenic values of Palm Springs. As part of its effort, the Task Force established the following Guiding Principles that serve as a basis for decision making in the mountainous areas of Palm Springs:

 The unique natural environment of Palm Springs with its rugged mountains and sweeping desert sands creates stunning vistas with a sense of space and distance and is Palm Springs' most important asset.

EXHIBIT C HOUSING REGULATORY INCENTIVES

HOUSING

Senate Bill 1818 amended state law by lowering the affordable housing requirement and increasing the bonus and incentives. Density bonuses are discussed in the Development Review Committee and during the pre-application phase.

- districts to foster and encourage innovative design, variety, and flexibility in land use and housing types that would not otherwise be allowed in zoning districts. Density under the PD district is allowed by zoning and the General Plan, but may be increased if the district assists the City in meeting its housing goals as set forth in the Housing Element. The form and type of development on the site must be compatible with the existing or planned development of the neighborhood. The PD requires approval by the Planning Commission and City Council.
- O Variance. A variance may be granted for a parcel with physical characteristics so unusual that complying with the requirements of the Zoning Code creates an exceptional hardship to the applicant or the surrounding property owners. The characteristics must be unique to the property and, in general, not be shared by adjacent parcels. The unique characteristic must pertain to the land itself, not to the structure, its inhabitants, or the property owners. A variance requires approval from Planning Commission.

Table 3-15 Regulatory Incentives

Sample of Reductions in Standards							
Density	Yards/Open Space	Lot Area	Parking	Approval			
No	Up to 20%	Up to 10%	Up to 10%	Planning Director			
Up to 25	Depends	Depends on requested concession		By-Right			
Limited by General Plan	No limit	No limit	No limit	Planning			
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The City of Palm Springs has utilized each of these mechanisms to facilitate the development of recent affordable housing projects in the



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PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS AND THE REQUIREMENT FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS

In order to provide for the long-term improvement of the community, every application for a Planned Development District (PDD) and every amendment thereto – including all those enacted in lieu of a change of zone – shall include a public benefit in accordance with the provisions listed below.

- 1. The concept of a "public benefit" shall be a condition of granting zoning flexibility via approval of a Planned Development District, and is consistent with the goals, policies and objectives of the Palm Springs General Plan.
- 2. The public benefit of an approved PDD shall be specifically identified by the Planning Commission and City Council within the record of approval (resolution or ordinance, as applicable).
- 3. The public benefit shall be proportional to the nature, type and extent of the flexibility granted from the standards and provisions of the Palm Springs Zoning Code.
- 4. A feature, improvement or dedication may only be considered as a public benefit when it exceeds the level of improvement needed to mitigate a project's environmental impacts or comply with dedication or exactions which are imposed on all projects, such as Quimby Act, public art, utility undergrounding, etc.
- 5. An approved public benefit shall be one of the following types:
 - a. <u>The project as Public Benefit</u> The project fulfills key General Plan objectives for land use (such as "mixed-use"), economic development, community beautification, additional parking, improved circulation, blight removal or the like.
 - b. <u>Key Features of the Project</u> The project includes features such as through-streets not indicated on the General Plan, interior parks, community open space, community meeting rooms, entry features, preservation of important buildings, preservation of natural features, daycare facility or other similar amenities.
 - c. <u>Sustainable Features</u> The project includes features which measurably aid achievement of the City's sustainability goals, including water conservation, energy conservation (e.g., LEED certified), active and passive solar features, California Green Building techniques, and other sustainable features.
 - d. Off-site Improvements The project includes off-site dedications and / or improvements, such as widened thoroughfares with meandering bikeways, public park lands, hiking trails, recreation facilities, construction of decorative medians, or other public improvements located off the project site.

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JUSTIFICATION LETTER

February 18, 2016

CITY OF PALM SPRINGS
Department of Planning Services
3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way
Palm Springs, CA 92262

"The Belardo Hotel" APN 513-300-038 Paim Springs, CA **EXHIBIT E**

"The Belardo Hotel" is an addition of a 66 room, 3 story, 29,712 Sq. Ft. hotel building to an existing project known as the Hacienda Beach Club and Cantina. The hotel is located at 1555 S Palm Canyon Dr. Palm Springs, CA 92264 on the corner of Palm Canyon Dr. and Morongo Rd. in Palm Springs. Currently, the restaurant and the pool, cabanas, and bocce courts are closed. The hotel will be built where the bocce courts are exist today. The existing restaurant building and pool areas to remain. The existing building will be modified on the West end to accommodate the hotel lobby, meeting spaces, and B.O.H. The East portion of the existing building to remain a restaurant with new outdoor patio. The proposed hotel consists of 66 350 SQ. Ft. rooms. Each room will have its own private balcony. Half of the rooms face the mountains and the other half faces the pool. Since the existing Bocce courts will be demollshed, a new bocce court will be built and is located on the site plan. The existing pool and cabanas will remain. The building's design is: clean and modern with dynamic forms that will fit nicely into the aesthetic of Palm Springs.

We believe that this project provides a healthy and fun destination for vacationers at close proximity to downtown Palm Springs. The architecture is consistent with the modern appeal that Palm Springs is best known for. The Materials are smooth white stucco and anodized aluminum.

The project provides the city with an appealing architecture and uses on a lot that is no longer being utilized. Furthermore, this project provides a new and exciting use with very little impact to the existing site and context.

If there are any questions or further information needed please don't hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Daniel Botten
Chris Pardo Design: Elemental Architecture
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Dear James Thompson,

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When I receive letters because I'm in a radius of projection of they have my street name down as Avenida Moraga. It is actually East Avenida Palmera. Not a big deal.

I am all for the project. I have the 18 units on E Ave Palmera and my main home is at 277 W El Portal in The Mesa. I have been concerned about the South side of town. I guess I'm jealous of all of the activity happening on the North side.

I think there will be a lot of negative comments at the meeting. I wonder if it is because of the project or because it is a Wessman project. I am concerned about the Hacienda sitting there vacant for years. A 3 story hotel set behind, and incorporating the Hacienda would not be as imposing as one right on the main street. It would block some of the views from the Hacienda, but the views looking South from that area are wonderful.

People will also think 3 stories and the West Elm structure. Thirty Four feet in height is a lot different than having 18-20 foot ceilings per floor.

I'm sure most of the comments you receive will be negative. I am very positive with this coming to fruition. I'm guessing that Chris Pardo will be involved and will knock it out of the park.

Thank you,

Dennis Walsh

AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHULLA INDIANS

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July 12, 2016

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

Re: Belardo Hotel, MAJ 3.3937 & 5.0177

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 Belardo Hotel project. A records check of the ACBCI cultural registry revealed that the project area is within the boundaries of the ACBCI Reservation. The ACBCI THPO requests the following:

*The presence of an approved Native American Cultural Resource Monitor(s) during any ground disturbing activities (including archaeological testing and surveys). Should buried cultural deposits be encountered, the Monitor may request that destructive construction halt and the Monitor shall notify a Qualified Archaeologist (Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines) to investigate and, if necessary, prepare a mitigation plan for submission to the State Historic Preservation Officer and the Agua Caliente Tribal Historic Preservation Office.

*Before ground disturbing activities begin please contact the Tribal Historic Preservation Office to arrange cultural monitoring. The phone number for monitoring services is 760-699-6981.

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 acbei-thpo@aguacaliente.net.

Cordially,

Ritman Carea Fletza

Pattie Garcia
Director
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
AGUA CALIENTE BAND
OF CAHUILLA INDIANS

Terri Hintz

From:

Jay Thompson

Sent:

Monday, May 02, 2016 3:37 PM

To:

Flinn Fagg; Terri Hintz

Subject:

FW: RE-SUBMIT COMMENT LETTER DATED 04.04.16

Attachments:

COMMENT LTR 2016.04.04 AAC Pardo Hotel J.Deertrack .pdf

From: Judy Deertrack [mailto:judydeertrack@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, May 02, 2016 2:31 PM

To: Jay Thompson

Subject: RE-SUBMIT COMMENT LETTER DATED 04.04.16

Dear Jay:

Please resubmit my earlier letter of April 4th, together with a copy of this email, into the file.

I talked with the planner on this case, and I was told that this hotel lot was not subdivided to create appropriate lot boundaries to run the ratios, measurements, and development standards for the Ordinance 92.04.03 only because (unlike the Downtown Plan - with its subdivided lots) it was not necessary because there were no interior streets running through the hotel.

That isn't the purpose of creating a proper lot for the development. The project description is a 34-foot 66-room hotel! That leaves parking, landscaping, and the hotel itself as the component of this development. THAT is the project, and THAT is what should have determined the lot boundaries. These interior lots need to be subdivided!

Otherwise, the staff report assessment simply classifies this as an amendment to the PDD, and then ignores every operating part of the PDD -- like Hacienda Cantina, and Steinmart, and a bunch of retail, and the remaining (lot??) for another commercial building -- and deals ONLY WITH THE HOTEL AS THOUGH IT IS ISOLATED, AND COMPARES IT TO THE EXTERIOR BOUNDARIES OF THE PDD. So anything goes!

This hotel should have been on a subdivided lot in order to run the ratios on setbacks, stepbacks, height, open space, density, hotel rooms per square footage of the lot -- all of this.

If the City is going to ignore the siting of the hotel and pretend none of these standards have to be met because the outer limits of the PDD is the measuring point -- then we have created an absurdity!

Palm Springs could place fifteen buildings about five feet apart from one another, and logically, every single one of those buildings would be classified as compatible with the R-3 hotel / commercial standards.

AND the Dakota Project is a single family residential that creates a 24-foot height requirement. The Planner told me the SFR standard was not used because a PDD was approved on Dakota. SFR is

 SFR! What does the PDD permit type have to do with the classification of the residential type for purposes of the height restrictions?!

This is embarrassing. This city needs to start operating according to laws and its ordinances, and it is overdue. I want to come in and talk with the Planning Department, and I will be meeting with City Council on this. It has to stop!

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Judy Deertrack 760 325 4290

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NEW BUSINESS AGENDA

Judy Deertrack 1333 South Belardo Road, Apt 510 Palm Springs, CA 92264

Monday, April 4, 2016

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Planning Commission City of Palm Springs, CA

NEW BUSINESS AGENDA ITEM 4. DEVELOP GOOD: CHRIS PARDO DESIGN ON BEHALF OF JOHN WESSMAN (LESSEE) FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A 66-ROOM, THREE-STORY HOTEL BUILDING WITHIN THE PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING COMPLEX LOCATED AT 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE (CASE 3.3937 MAJ AND 5.0177 PD-131 AMEND). (DN)

To the Honorable Planning Commission:

I am a resident of the City of Palm Springs. My residence address is at Tahquitz Mesa Villa, on the western boundary of the Project Site, or PDD-131, and I am accordingly within the area of impact of the project.

- (1) My first concern is that there have been no meetings with residents that live on the periphery of this project. That omission occurred with the Hacienda Cantina Project, but was corrected upon appeal, and the Developer met with the residents of Tahquitz Mesa Villa, the RV Park to the northwest, and the mobile home park to the north of the project. I am requesting that the City treat both projects similarly, since both projects were processed under PD 131, and immediately arrange for meetings with residents.
- (2) The application for a three-story 66-room hotel, with parking and amenities is a MAJOR REVISION to PD-131, and should be handled as such. This project review should entail a complete review of all surrounding projects on the seventeen (17) acre parcel, particularly because the city and the developer chose not to subdivide the lots within the interior of PD-171. Therefore, when calculating the lot sizing, such as open space, parking, set backs, step backs, and floor area ratio, the existence of the other projects are not taken into consideration in the staff report, but are given only cursory review. I encourage the City to use integrated design review, because that certainly impacts its CEQA requirements.
- (3) For purposes of height, floor area ratio, open space, density, and view shed impacts, the City and the Developer have chosen not to subdivide the interior lot, but use the exterior boundaries of PD-131 as the lot boundaries. This gives inaccurate and artificial evaluation of density impacts. I highly recommend that the City create interior lot boundaries that reference the actual project description, function, uses, and impacts of the hotel itself. In fact, I question whether this might be legally required in order for the High-Rise Ordinance (93.04) to be effective. The Downtown Project is divided into lots. Upon inquiry, planning staff says that is because the Downtown Plan has interior streets and this does not, but the real issue is whether the failure to subdivide by project function distorts the purpose and function of the limitations on density stemming from the use of the High-Rise Ordinance, or Ord. 93.04.
- (4) The City claims that this hotel project allows heights to 100 feet because these are Indian Lands. Although the staff report does not state it is allotted lands, upon verbal request, I was told these are

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lands under a Master Lease. However, I question the policy and practice of allowing heights of 100 feet on ands that serve no tribal purpose or lands that do not really involve tribal jurisdiction. It is an irrational standard (equal protection issue) to prohibit height on Indian fee lands (in non-Indian ownership), but set a 100 foot limit on lands that happen to be under a Tribal Master Lease. The distinction is irrational and has no bearing upon land use impacts. They should be handle the same, at the regular general plan standard of 30 feet, before the High Rise Ordinance applies.

- (5) The staff report states that building height under Ord. 93.04 is affected by proximity to low density residential. The Dakota Project is classified as R-1 (even though it is a PDD). It might or might not be classified as low density, but I think at the least this should be properly assessed and pointed out in the staff report table, and a specific finding made on whether the Dakota Project triggers the height limitation.
- (6) There should be a comprehensive parking study. None has been updated since the construction of Hacienda Cantina, and now the hotel. This parking applies to the whole of the projects, including Steinmart, a series of commercial retail projects, a vacant lot, a restaurant and where is the total parking picture? The parking analysis is missing.

Thank you for your kind attention.

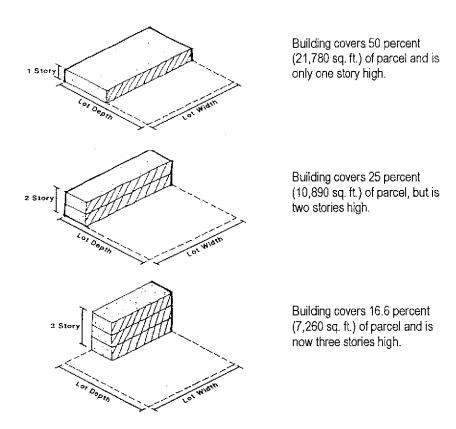
Judy Deertrack



include areas within parking structures or outdoor open storage areas. Figure 2-1 illustrates the FAR calculation concept.

Actual density (residential uses) and FAR (nonresidential uses) ranges are determined on a parcel-specific basis. Density and FAR are based on adjusted gross acreage, which takes out acres associated with right-of-way.

Site considerations, such as topography or location, and City policies and regulations, such as development standards in the Zoning Code, may place additional requirements on a property that could prevent the site from achieving the maximum density or intensity established within this General Plan.



Floor Area Ratio Example (FAR = 0.50): On a one-acre parcel (43,560 sq. ft.), a maximum FAR of 0.50 equates to a total building area of 21,780 sq. ft., in either a 1-, 2-, or 3-story configuration (43,560 sq. ft. multiplied by 0.50 equals 21,780 sq. ft.). Note how coverage (building footprint) varies significantly as the building height changes to yield an identical FAR.

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Figure 2-1 Sample Floor Area Ratio

Page 2.4 Palm Springs 2007 General Plan

Attachment 8



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Environmental Initial Study

Project Title:

Belardo Hotel

Case No:

3.3937 MAJ & 5.0177 PD-131 Amend

Lead Agency

City of Palm Springs

Name and Address: Department of Planning Services

Attention: David A. Newell, Associate Planner

3200 E Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

(760) 323-8295

David.Newell@palmsprings-ca.gov

Property Owner:

BIA

3700 E. Tachevah Dr. Suite 201

Palm Springs, CA 92262

Applicant:

Develop Good, LLC

c/o Chris Pardo on behalf of John Wessman

2286 N. Indian Canyon Dr. Suite C

Palm Springs, CA 92262

(206) 351-6535

Project Location:

Plaza Del Sol Shopping Center - 1555 South Palm Canyon Drive

Zoning Designation:

Zoning: Existing – PD-131 (Planned Development District 131), I. L. (Indian

Land), C-1 (Central Retail Business and Resort Overlay

General Designations: General Plan: Existing – NCC (Neighborhood Community Commercial)

Location and Description of the Project:

The Belardo Hotel (Project) is located on 17 acres within the partially developed Plaza Del Sol shopping center. The property is located in south Palm Springs, bounded by streets on all sides with Palm Canyon Drive to the east, Morongo Road to the north, and Belardo Road to the west and south. The site has five vehicular access points from the surrounding streets. The property is within Section 22, T.4S R.4E. See attached Vicinity Map and Aerial Photo.

The parcel was approved as a two-phase development. The first phase consisted of the commercial buildings on the northerly half of the site and a bank building at the southeast corner of the site. On the remaining southerly half of the site, the second phase consisted of an RV Park which was never constructed.

The Project proposes an amendment to PD 131 for the development of a three story, 66-room hotel and parking facilities adjacent to the former Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club restaurant and pool at the northeast corner of the property. The new hotel building would total approximately 29,721 square feet in size and each floor accommodates 22 guest rooms. All rooms will be approximately 350-square feet in size and have a private patio or balcony with views of the pool or mountains. The existing restaurant will be remodeled on the west side to house the hotel's lobby, meeting spaces and back of house facilities and reopen to the public. The pool will be used primarily for hotel guests but will also be open for public use. The hotel will be built where the bocce courts exist today and an additional parking lot will be provided on the vacant parcel west of the hotel and adjacent to an existing parking facility.

The proposed hotel will have a contemporary design with colors, textures, and material compositions to establish an attractive architectural presence. The existing outdoor recreation space, pool area, private patios, restaurant and entertainment will continue to function as a desirable environment for guests in a part of the City that has been designated to encourage visitor accommodations and services.

The project site has a General Plan land use designation of Neighborhood/Community Commercial (NCC). The property is zoned as Planned Development District 131 (PD-131) with an underlying zoning of C-1 (Retail Business). Hotels are permitted in this zone, subject to R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential & Hotel) development standards. The site is also within the R (Resort) overlay zone, which was established in certain parts of the city to encourage visitor accommodations and services. Surrounding land uses include various hotel establishments to the north and south, additional hotel and commercial to the east, and high density residential to the west.

The project entry consists of two existing primary access points. The northern access is provided on Morongo Road, while the eastern boundary provides the 2nd primary access on South Palm Canyon Drive. Public utilities exist in the vicinity and have the capacity to service the property.

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)

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least on	e
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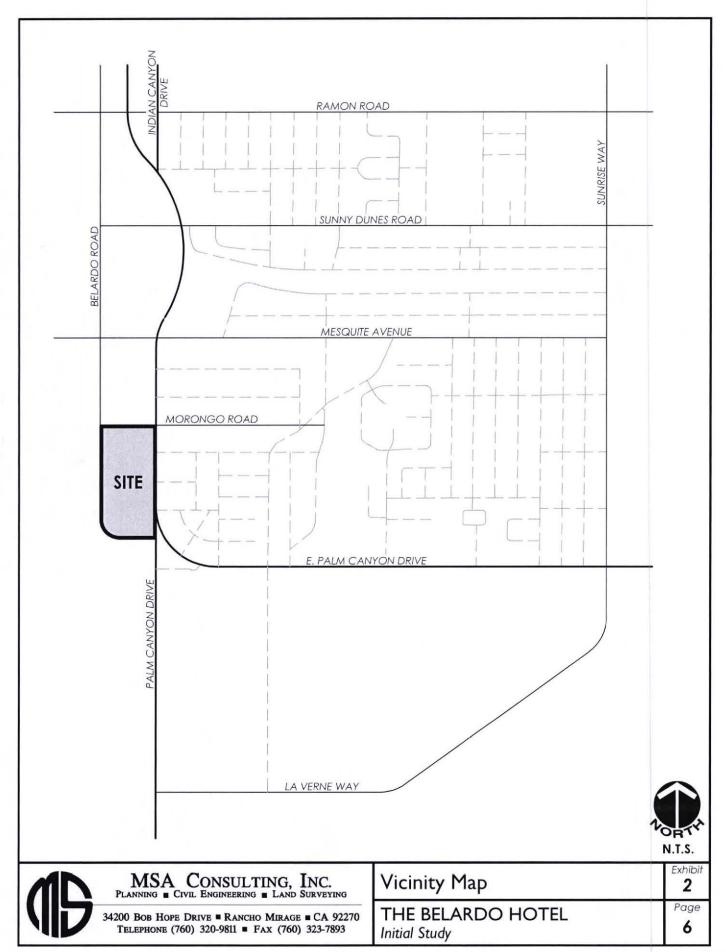
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	Population / Housing		Public Services		Recreation
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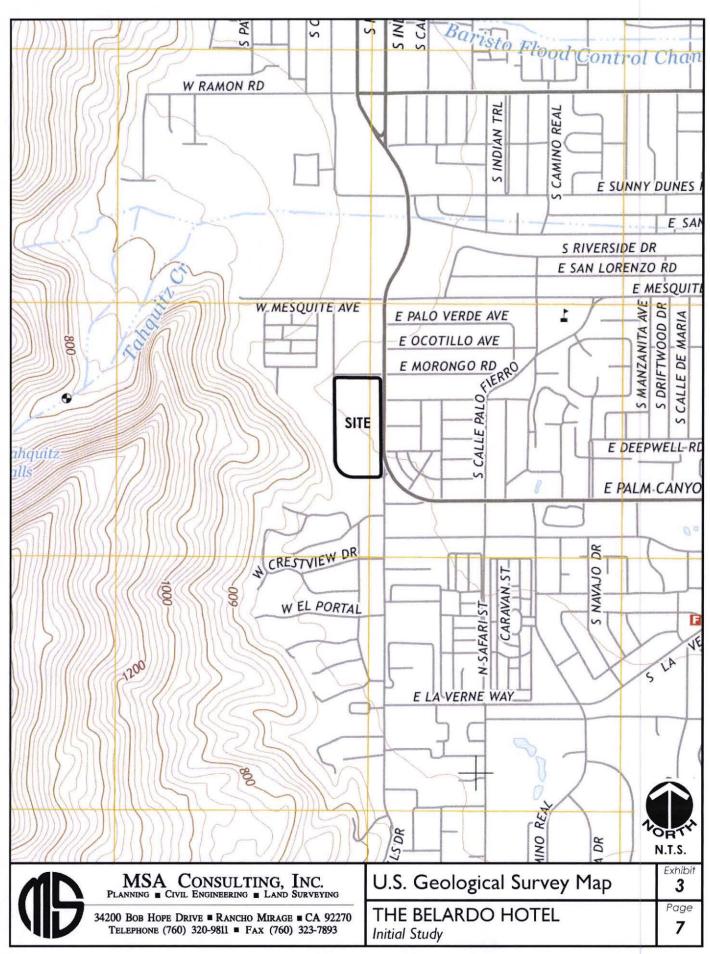
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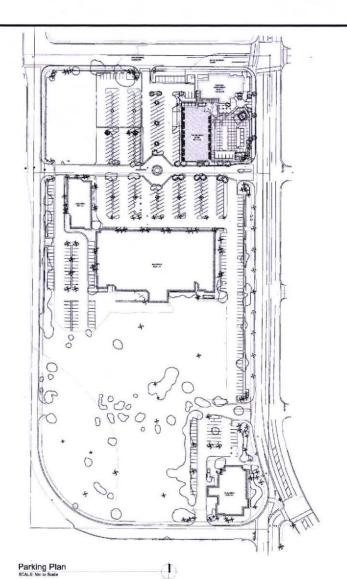
EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:

- A brief explanation is required for all answers except "No Impact" answers that are adequately supported by the information sources a lead agency cites in the parentheses following each question. A "No Impact" answer is adequately supported if the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A "No Impact" answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project will not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project-specific screening analysis).
- 2) All answers must take account of the whole action involved, including off-site as well as on-site, cumulative as well as project-level, indirect as well as direct, and construction as well as operational impacts.
- Once the lead agency has determined that a particular physical impact may occur, then the checklist answers must indicate whether the impact is potentially significant, less than significant with mitigation, or less than significant. "Potentially Significant Impact" is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more "Potentially Significant Impact" entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required
- "Negative Declaration: Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporated" applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from "Potentially Significant Impact" to a "Less Than Significant Impact." The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures, and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from Section XVII, "Earlier Analyses," may be cross-referenced)
- 5) Earlier analyses may be used where, pursuant to the tiering, program EIR, or other CEQA process, an effect has been adequately analyzed in an earlier EIR or negative declaration. Section 15063(c)(3)(D). In this case, a brief discussion should identify the following:
 - a) Earlier Analysis Used. Identify and state where they are available for review.
 - b) Impacts Adequately Addressed. Identify which effects from the above checklist were within the scope of and adequately analyzed in an earlier document pursuant to applicable legal standards, and state whether such effects were addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis.
 - c) Mitigation Measures. For effects that are "Less than Significant with Mitigation Measures Incorporated," describe the mitigation measures which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.
- 6) Lead agencies are encouraged to incorporate into the checklist references to information sources for potential impacts (e.g., general plans, zoning ordinances). Reference to a previously prepared or outside document should, where appropriate, include a reference to the page or pages where the statement is substantiated.
- 7) Supporting Information Sources: A source list should be attached, and other sources used or individuals contacted should be cited in the discussion.
- 8) This is only a suggested form, and lead agencies are free to use different formats; however, lead agencies should normally address the questions from this checklist that are relevant to a project's environmental effects in whatever format is selected.
- 9) The explanation of each issue should identify:
 - a) the significance criteria or threshold, if any, used to evaluate each question; and
 - b) the mitigation measure identified, if any, to reduce the impact to less than significance



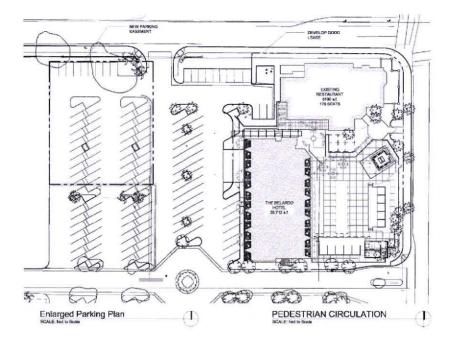






Overall Project Data - The Belardo Hotel

OVERALL PROJECT AREA: 756,205 Sq. Ft. (17.4 ACRES) BUILDING FOOTPRINT: 9,904 Sq. Ft. 8,190 Sq. Ft. HOTEL EXISTING RESTAURANT EXISTING BUILDING 1 EXISTING BUILDING 2 9501 58.031 EXISTING BUILDING 3 12,081 TOTAL BUILDING FOOTPRINT 97,985 Sq. Ft. STREETS AND DRIVES: 234,406 Sq. FL 31% OPEN SPACE 298,412 Sq. Ft. 39% LANDSCAPE: 69,600 Sq. Ft. HARDSCAPE: 55,802 Sq. Ft.



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Exhibit Site Plan - Chris Pardo Design Page THE BELARDO HOTEL 8 Initial Study

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I. AESTHETICS Would the project:a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The proposed project occupies the northeast corner of a partially developed shopping center complex known as Plaza Del Sol. The 17-acre plaza property is bounded by Palm Canyon Drive to the east, Morongo Road to the north, and Belardo Road to the west and south. In particular, the project involves a three-story, 66-room hotel in an open recreation area of the existing Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club, which is situated at the southwest corner of South Palm Canyon Drive and Morongo Road. The existing establishment includes a restaurant of 8,190 square feet and an accessory recreational area with a pool, lounge chairs, private cabanas, palapa bar, outdoor sounds system, bathrooms and two bocce ball courts. The recreational area is surrounded by a six-foot tall block wall with landscaping and previously accommodated outdoor entertainment/musicians as an accessory activity to the restaurant.

Within the existing open recreation area of the Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club, the proposed hotel site would occupy a footprint adjacent to the restaurant and pool. The new hotel building would total 29,712-square feet in size (9,904 square feet in each floor). Each floor contains 22 rooms. All rooms will be 350 square feet in size with a private patio or balcony space. The hotel building would have a contemporary architectural style with a white stucco finish and anodized aluminum windows. The design would include rhythmic shapes and patterns to establish an attractive architectural presence while providing the desirable environment for guests. The proposed structure height is 34 feet, which complies with the 100-foot height limit established in the high-rise ordinance on Indian Land. The proposed setbacks are 102 from the north property line (Morongo Road), 110 feet from the east property line (South Palm Canyon Drive), 375+ feet from the west property line (Belardo Road), and 1,000 feet from the south property line (Belardo Road). Furthermore, the westerly end of the existing restaurant building would be modified to accommodate the hotel lobby, meeting space and back-of-house functions. The easterly end would remain a restaurant with new outdoor seating space. The parking lot on the west side of the project would be expanded with 49 additional parking spaces in an existing unpaved area of the plaza.

The perception and uniqueness of scenic vistas from a particular setting vary according to location and surrounding context. Views are influenced in part by the presence and intensity of man-made neighboring improvements (e.g. structures, overhead utilities, and vegetation). The massing of structures and vegetation in the project area and surroundings interacts with the natural regional environment to form the characteristic views of this locality. In the visitor corridors of the City, development tends to include diverse buildings with a mass and scale proportionate to the parcels of land on which they are located, while establishing an attractive image for visitors and residents. The project is located in a western part of Coachella Valley region and has an elevation of approximately 430 feet above sea level. From the project area, views of the San Jacinto Mountains to the west and the Santa Rosa Mountains to the south and southeast are the most prominent. Existing structural development, palm trees, and overhead utilities (posts and overhead lines) represent an existing visual impairment to the visibility and uniqueness of mountains. Meanwhile, these same conditions also help establish the attractive streetscape for tourists and residents. The proposed building design, stylistic features, and landscaping improvements of the project will result in a functional use of the land. By establishing the compliant setbacks of the structure from the existing property lines, the project reduces mountain view conflicts

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and other visual impairments in relation to the surroundings. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation Measures: None				
b) Substantially damage scenic resour including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?	rces,			
Discussion: proposed hotel would be developed within	the existing	ng Hacienda (Cantina & Beach	h Club, at

The proposed hotel would be developed within the existing Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club, at the southwest corner of South Palm Canyon Drive and Morongo Road. The existing structure, recreation space, perimeter controls and landscaping form part of a previously approved design for the establishment. The existing development patterns along the Palm Canyon Drive corridor include a mixture of buildings and styles. The proposed site plan and architectural design will work to ensure that any alterations to the existing property serve as an improvement to existing aesthetic conditions. Moreover, the project is not located near any state or county, eligible or designated scenic highway. There are no scenic resources, including trees, rock outcroppings, or historical buildings that would be disturbed by implementation of the project. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

	Mitigation Measures: None			
c)	Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings? Discussion:		\boxtimes	

The project is located along the South Palm Canyon Drive corridor, a setting that is characterized by a mixture of hotel, commercial, and retail establishments of various styles and heights. Residences have a greater and variable separation from South Palm Canyon Drive. Based on the Community Design Element of City's General Plan, the segment of South Palm Canyon Drive east of the project is identified as an Enhanced Transportation Corridor and a Master Streetscape Street for its importance in maintaining the City's community identity. South Palm Canyon Drive and East Palm Canyon Drive are noted as important connectors to the south neighborhoods and to adjacent cities.

The proposed hotel will have a contemporary design with colors, textures, and material compositions to establish an attractive architectural presence. The existing outdoor recreation space, pool area, private patios, restaurant and entertainment will continue to function as a desirable environment for guests. The proposed site, architectural and landscape design elements are required to conform to the City's Architectural Review Guidelines. The proposed building height of 34 feet and its setbacks from the property lines will comply with the existing high rise ordinance. Specifically, the proposed building setbacks are 102 from the north property line (Morongo Road), 110 feet from the east property line (South Palm Canyon Drive), 375+ feet from the west property line (Belardo Road), and 1,000 feet from

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the south property line (Belardo Road). These setback conditions help reduce the partial obstruction of views from the surrounding hotels, commercial establishments and residential developments in the vicinity. The proposed landscaping will be limited to an approved plant palette that is harmonious with the existing landscape design and streetscape conditions. The proposed development is expected to maintain or enhance an attractive identity for the streetscape and result in a positive image for the corridor. Less than significant impacts are expected.

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d)	Create a new source of substantial light or glare which would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?		\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The project is proposed in a developed commercial setting with existing sources of light on-site and in the surroundings. In the project vicinity, the use of decorative lighting helps establish the nighttime attractiveness of the streetscape, particularly along South Palm Canyon Drive. Within Plaza del Sol, existing sources of light serve a dual purpose of providing the necessary nighttime illumination while enhancing the nighttime street frontage aesthetic. In particular, the existing Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club has a variety of wall-mounted fixtures, ground landscape lights, illuminated signage and downward-oriented parking lot light posts. The existing recreation space and pool area are confined to existing walls that reduce visibility from the surroundings. These developed conditions form part of a previously approved design where the architecture, site plan, landscaping and lighting were subject to review in order to maintain the aesthetic considerations of the community in that plan. The existing construction materials on-site do not have the highly reflective properties causing an existing substantial source of daytime glare.

In the project surroundings, particularly to the north and east, existing sources of lighting are attributed to various sources, including traffic signals, illuminated street signs, street light posts, and palm tree luminaries. The existing hotels and commercial establishments along the South Palm Canyon Drive corridor include various light fixtures that contribute to the night ambient lighting. Lighting conditions along Belardo Road to the west and south are reduced to primarily street lighting and decorative landscape illumination.

The proposed 66-room, three story hotel will be integrated into the existing commercial establishment and plaza without introducing a new substantial source of glare or lighting, and without exceeding the City's lighting standards or the conditions typical of the project vicinity. The Project's lighting plan is expected to implement low intensity energy-efficient fixtures in various forms to adequately illuminate the hotel entrance, signage, walkways, private patios, and parking area for security purposes. The use of exterior light fixtures will be made compatible with the architectural style and materials of the buildings. Lighting sources will be situated to prevent glare for pedestrians, vehicles, adjacent properties and the night sky. Traffic associated with the project will also contribute an incremental increase in nighttime lighting. However, the proposed circulation will be limited to an access point on Morongo Road and South Palm Canyon Drive, therefore establishing the greatest separation from local residential uses.

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Pertaining to daytime glare, the project will not involve building materials with highly reflective properties that would disrupt day-time views. The proposed structure will utilize white stucco with anodized aluminum windows. The contemporary architectural design will include rhythmic shapes and patterns to create a visual interest and shadow of the structure. Less than significant impacts are anticipated to result from the proposed project.

Mitigation Measures: None				
II. AGRICULTURE RESOURCES Wou 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:			\boxtimes
Discussion:				
The proposed project would not involve the other form of agricultural resource. According Program (FMMP) Geographic Information S and Built-Up Land". Urban Built-up Land is residential, industrial, commercial, construction golf courses, sanitary landfills, sewage treatm City of Palm Springs is categorized as "Urban surrounded by urban development and great property site and surrounding land to the Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of land	ystems databas used to identifien, institutional nent and water of and Built-Up ter than 40 acre north, east, sou	alifornia Farmla e, the project s y properties occ , public adminis control devices. Land". Any vac es is mapped a uth and west i	and Mapping are ite is categorized by structure stration, cemeted A significant eant and nonages Other Land.	nd Monitoring ted as "Urban ctures that are eries, airports, portion of the ricultural land The subject zed as Prime
Mitigation Measures: None				
b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?				\boxtimes
Discussion:				
As described above, the project site is not loc	ated in existing	g zoning for agi	ricultural use o	r classified as

farm land. Furthermore, according to the Williamson Act Land Map FY 2015/2016, no portion of land within a one-mile radius is recognized as being under a Williamson Act Contract. The proposed project will not impact or remove land from the City or County's agricultural zoning or agricultural preserve. No impacts are expected.

Mitigation Measures: None

	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or rezoning of, forest land (as defined Resources Code section 12220(g)) (as defined by Public Resources Codes 2526), or timberland zoned Timberland zoned Timberland (as defined by Government Section 51104(g))?	l in Public , timberland ode section rland			\boxtimes
Discussion:				
The proposed project will occur in an existing land, timberland or Timberland Production properties. Forest vegetation is not charact impacts are expected.	zoning occurs	s on the project si	te or on the si	urrounding
Mitigation Measures: None				
d) Result in the loss of forest or conve of forest land to non-forest use?	ersion			\boxtimes
Discussion: The proposed project will occur in an existing site or in the surrounding area, because fore desert environment. No impacts are expected.	st vegetation	-		
Mitigation Measures: None				
e) Involve other changes in the existin environment which, due to their loc nature, could result in conversion of to non-agricultural use or conversion land to non-forest use?	ation or f Farmland,			\boxtimes
Discussion: The project proposes a 3-story hotel which designations and zoning ordinances. As previous for commercial use. The existing environmental development. No farmland or forest land is impacts are expected.	ously describe	d, the project site a	nd vicinity are facilities and	designated residential
Mitigation Measures: None				
III. AIR QUALITY: Would the project:				
a) Conflict with or obstruct implementati of the applicable air quality plan?	on			

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Discussion:

Discussion:

The Project is located in the Coachella Valley region within the Salton Sea Air Basin (SSAB), under the jurisdiction of the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD). Air quality in the SSAB is influenced by the regional climate as well as the temperature, wind, humidity, precipitation, and amount of sunshine. The Coachella Valley is an arid desert region with a climate characterized by low annual precipitation, low humidity, hot days, and very cool nights. Wind direction and speed (which in turn affect atmospheric stability) are the most important climate elements affecting local ambient air quality. Desert regions are typically windy because minimal friction is generated between the moving air and the low, sparse vegetation. This allows the wind to maintain its speed crossing the desert plains. Additionally, the rapid daytime heating of the air closest to the desert surface leads to convective activity and the exchange of surface air for upper air, which accelerates surface winds during the warm part of the day.

The project property has a General Plan land use designation of Neighborhood/Community Commercial (NCC). The property is zoned as Planned Development District 131 (PD-131) with an underlying zoning of C-1 (Retail Business). Hotels are permitted in this zone, subject to R-3 (Multiple-Family Residential & Hotel) development standards. The site is also within the R (Resort) overlay zone, which was established in certain parts of the city to encourage visitor accommodations and services. Surrounding land uses include various hotel establishments to the north and south, additional hotel and commercial to the east, and high density residential to the west. The proposed project is consistent with the Land Use and Zoning designations, and therefore will not be in conflict with the General Plan conditions or obstruct with implementation of its applicable air quality objectives.

The Final 2007 and 2012 Air Quality Management Plans (AQMP) serves as policy guides for decision-making related to air quality throughout the region. The most recent plan provides strategies for controlling air pollution, maintenance and attainment in order to achieve state and federal attainment levels. The project will not require a General Plan Amendment that would provide directly or indirectly for increased population growth above the level projected in the adopted AQMP or interfere with the ability of the region to comply with federal and state ambient air quality standards. Projects that are consistent with local General Plans are considered consistent with the air quality related regional plans including the current AQMP, the Coachella Valley PM10 State Implementation Plan and other applicable regional plans. Less than significant impacts are anticipated relative to conflict with or obstruction of implementation of the applicable air quality plan following the implementation of standard conditions.

	Mitigation Measures: None			
ŕ	Violate any air quality standard or contribut substantially to an existing or projected air quality violation?	ee 🗌		

An impact is potentially significant if concentration of emissions exceed the State or Federal Ambient Air Quality Standards. The two primary pollutants of concern in the Coachella Valley including the City of Palm Springs are ozone (O3) and particulate matter (PM10 and PM2.5). The project site is located

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within the Salton Sea Air Basin, which has been designated by the California Air Resources Board as a nonattainment area for ozone (8-hour standard) and PM10. Violations of the air quality standards for ozone are primarily due to pollutant transport from the South Coast Air Basin.

Ozone (O3) is formed when byproducts of combustion react in the presence of ultraviolet sunlight. This process occurs in the atmosphere where oxides of nitrogen combine with reactive organic gases, such as hydrocarbons, in the presence of sunlight. Ozone is a pungent, colorless, toxic gas, and a common component of photochemical smog. Although also produced within the Coachella Valley, most ozone pollutants affecting the Valley are transported by coastal air mass from the Los Angeles and Riverside/San Bernardino air basins, thereby contributing to occasionally high local ozone concentrations.

Particulate Matter (PM10 and PM2.5) consists of fine suspended particles of ten microns or smaller in diameter, and are the byproducts of road dust, sand, diesel soot, windstorms, and the abrasion of tires and brakes. The elderly, children and adults with pre-existing respiratory or cardiovascular disease are most susceptible to the effects of Particulate Matter.

The SCAQMD has established significance thresholds for specific pollutants on individual projects. These thresholds related to project construction and long term operations are shown in the Mass Daily Thresholds table below. Project effects would be considered significant if the emissions exceed these thresholds. Project effects would also be considered potentially significant if emissions affected sensitive receptors such as schools or nursing homes, or if the project conflicted with the regional AQMP and/or local air quality plans.

Table III-1 SCAQMD's Air Quality Significance Thresholds:

Emission Source	СО	VOC	NOx	SOx	PM10	PM2.5
Construction or Operation (Pounds/Day)		75	100	150	150	55

Source: Air Quality Analysis Guidance Handbook, Chapter 5.

Prepared by the South Coast Air Quality Management District, www.aqmd.gov/ceqa/hndbk.html

The California Emissions Estimator Model (CalEEMod Version 2013.2.2; Released October 2, 2013) was utilized to estimate the short-term construction-related emissions of criteria air pollutants and greenhouse gas emissions that would be associated with the construction activities necessary to implement the proposed project. The project parameters involved the construction and operation of a 66-room hotel, 49 proposed parking spaces, interior modifications to the existing restaurant building and landscaping improvements. Default construction parameters incorporated in CalEEMod were assumed for those construction activities for which site-specific information is not currently available.

Table III-2 summarizes the unmitigated short-term emissions of the six criteria pollutants associated with the construction activities required to implement the proposed project. The construction period includes all aspects of project development, including site preparation, grading, building construction, paving and architectural coating. Peak day emissions estimates are provided by construction phase type

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and reflect activities in the season or year with the highest daily emissions. As shown, the unmitigated peak day air pollutant emissions during the construction phase with the highest projected emissions are not projected to exceed any of the applicable SCAQMD significance thresholds for short-term construction-related emissions. Based upon the projected emissions of the criteria air pollutants, the proposed project would have less than significant impacts relative to short-term impacts to air quality.

The SCAQMD requires any emission reductions resulting from existing rules or ordinances to be included as part of the unmitigated project emissions. Those measures that are legally mandated and therefore required of all developments by applicable ordinances, rules, and regulations are not considered mitigation. Title 8, Chapter 8.50 (Fugitive Dust Control) of the Palm Springs Municipal Code establishes the minimum requirements for construction and demolition in order to reduce manmade fugitive dust and corresponding PM10 emissions. The required measures during construction must form part of a required Fugitive Dust Control Plan to prevent sediment track-out onto public roads, prevent visible dust emissions from exceeding a 20-percent opacity, and prevent visible dust emissions from extending more than 100 feet (vertically or horizontally from the origin of a source) or crossing any property line. These standards are consistent with SCAQMD Rule 403 and 403.1, as identified in the SCAQMD publication Coachella Valley Fugitive Dust Control Handbook. Fugitive dust control measures that are required to comply with the City Municipal Code are generally not considered mitigation by the SCAQMD. Similarly, compliance with applicable SCAQMD Rules and Regulations is not considered mitigation by the SCAQMD.

Table III-2
Air Pollutant Emissions
Associated With Unmitigated Construction of the Proposed Project
(Pounds/Day)

	ROG	NOx	CO	SO2	PM10	PM2.5
Total	70.887	30.688	20.4604	0.0316	7.8052	4.7534
Emissions	2	1				
SCAQMD	75	100	550	150	150	55
Threshold	75	100	330	130	130	
Threshold	No	No	No	No	No	No
Exceeded	140	140	140	140	140	140

Furthermore, CalEEMod was utilized to estimate the long-term operational air pollutant emissions that would result from implementation of the proposed project. Operational emissions are ongoing emissions that will occur during the life of the project. They include area source emissions, emissions from energy demand, and mobile source (vehicle) emissions. As shown in Table III-3, operational emissions will not exceed SCAQMD thresholds of significance for any criteria pollutants. The data are conservative and reflect unmitigated operations. Implementation of standard reduction measures will further reduce pollutant emissions. These include, but are not limited to, the use of low-VOC architectural coatings and the use of energy-efficient appliances. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

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Table III-3 Operational Air Pollutant Emissions Associated With Development of the Project (Pounds/Day)

ſ	Threshold Exceeded	No	No	No	No	No	No
	SCAQMD Threshold	75	100	550	150	150	55
	Total Area Sources, Energy Use, Mobile Sources	3.4115	4.4325	18.993 7	0.0300	1.8040	0.5483
	Emission Source	ROG	NOx	CO	SO2	PM10	PM2.5

Mitigation	Measures:	None
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c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?

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Discussion:

The Coachella Valley is designated by the California Air Resources Board as nonattainment for ozone, based on exceedances of both the state 1-hour and 8-hour standards; and for PM10, based on exceedances of the state 24-hour and annual average standards. Adherence to the SCAQMD rules and regulations and compliance with locally adopted AQMP and PM10 State Implementation Plan control measures will help reduce the pollutant burden contributed by the individual development project. Appropriate air quality measures are required by the City of Palm Springs and implemented through enforcement of the Palm Springs Municipal Code (Title 8, Chapter 8.50) consistent with SCAQMD Rules 403 and 403.1.

As mentioned, relative to PM10 threshold exceedance, construction associated with a future project will be required to adhere to the City's Fugitive Dust and Erosion Control policies and ordinance to minimize potential temporary construction related emissions. An approved Fugitive Dust (PM10) Control Plan will be required prior to issuance of a grading permit. Implementation of the Fugitive Dust Control Plan is required to occur under the supervision of an individual with training on Dust Control in the Coachella Valley (Rule 403 and 403.1). The plan will include methods to prevent sediment track-out onto public roads, prevent visible dust emissions from exceeding a 20-percent opacity, and prevent visible dust emissions from extending more than 100 feet (vertically or horizontally from the origin of a source) or crossing any property line. The most widely used measures include proper construction phasing, proper maintenance/cleaning of construction equipment, soil stabilization, installation of track-out prevention devices, and wind fencing.

Project-related short-term construction and long-term operational emissions are not expected to exceed

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the SCAQMD mass daily regional significance thresholds. Therefore, the proposed project is not expected to result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of NOx and ROG emissions during construction activities. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

	Mitigation Measures: None			
d)	Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?		\boxtimes	
	Discussion:			

Sensitive receptors are facilities or land uses that include members of the population that are particularly sensitive to the effects of air pollutants, such as children, the elderly, and people with illnesses. Land uses considered by the SCAQMD to be sensitive receptors include residential, long-term health care facilities, schools, rehabilitation centers, playgrounds, convalescent centers, child-care centers, retirement homes, and athletic facilities among others. Existing surrounding uses to the proposed hotel site include other hotel establishments and commercial uses to the north, east, and south. Existing residential uses in the vicinity of the proposed hotel site include single-family homes approximately 330 feet east and high density uses approximately 450 feet west (west of Belardo Road). These residential uses are deemed to include sensitive receptors.

During construction, the project is expected to produce temporary and localized emissions, which based on the Air Quality Study's modeling results would not exceed the SCAQMD mass thresholds of significance. As previously discussed, the project applicant is required to comply with the City's Fugitive Dust Control ordinance by preparing a project-specific dust control plan. The plan will outline required activities and best management practices for preventing or reducing temporary emissions from reaching any substantial concentrations. Examples of best available dust control measures include constructing a temporary fence with wind screen to prevent propagation of emissions, utilizing properly maintained equipment, maintaining stabilized soil, and constructing track-out prevention devices at construction access points. These standard practices are consistent with the SCAQMD Rule 403 and 403.1 and the Coachella Valley Best Available Control Measures (CVBACM), as identified in the SCAQMD publication Coachella Valley Fugitive Dust Control Handbook. Fugitive dust control measures that are required to comply with the City Municipal Code are generally not considered mitigation by the SCAQMD. Similarly, compliance with applicable SCAQMD Rules and Regulations is not considered mitigation by the SCAQMD.

During the life of the project, activities and operations related to the proposed hotel and parking lot uses are not expected to generate emissions concentrations that exceed the SCAQMD mass thresholds. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

	Mitigation Measures: None			
e)	Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?		\boxtimes	
	Discussion:			

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Objectionable odors can be associated with toxic or non-toxic emissions. While offensive odors seldom cause physical harm, they can be unpleasant and lead to considerable annoyance and distress among the public. The SCAQMD has compiled a list of facilities and operations that tend to produce offensive odors. Examples of such facilities that commonly generate odors include wastewater treatment plants, sanitary landfills, composting/green waste facilities, recycling facilities, petroleum refineries, chemical manufacturing plants, painting/coating operations, rendering plants, and food packaging facilities. Some land uses and populations are considered more likely to experience concern over odors. These include retirement homes, residences, schools, playgrounds, child-care centers, and athletic facilities among others.

The proposed development is not located near any facility known for generating objectionable odors and the proposed hotel will not introduce facilities that would generate objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people. Construction activities (within the permitted hours) are anticipated to generate short-term odor emissions due to the use of construction equipment, materials management and asphalt paving. Such odors would only be detectable in localized areas and would quickly disperse below detectable levels as distance from the construction site increases. Future hotel operations, which will serve the existing restaurant and recreation area, are not expected to generate emissions that would be sufficient to affect a substantial number of people or result in a nuisance as defined by SCAQMD Rule 402. Therefore, impacts from objectionable odors are expected to be less than significant.

Mitigation Measures: None

IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES -- Would the project:

Have a substantial adverse effect, either			
directly or through habitat modifications,			
on any species identified as a candidate,			
sensitive, or special status species in local			
or regional plans, policies, or regulations,			
or by the California Department of Fish			
and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?		\boxtimes	
	sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations,	directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish	directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish

Discussion:

The project site is located in the Plaza del Sol shopping center, predominately surrounded by commercial, residential development and adjoining parking lot area. The project proposes a 3-story, 66-unit hotel that would incorporate the existing and currently closed restaurant and pool located at the northeast corner of the project site. As a result, the current commercial development that defines the project site does not provide conditions that would support natural vegetative communities or habitats, including the presence of plant or animal species given special status by government agencies. The project site does not have known biotic elements, corridors or communities. Based on the City of Palm Springs General Plan, the project site is not identified in a Biological Sensitive or Conservation Area. The project site is within the Agua Caliente Tribal Habit Conservation Plan (THCP). According to the THCP plan, the project site is not within a conservation area or identified as having biological resources. The project will be required to pay the THCP Valley Floor Planning Area Fee (VFPA), to mitigate potential impacts from project development. Less than significant impacts are expected as a result of project implementation.

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Mitigation Measures: No	ıe			
b) Have a substantial adverse riparian habitat or other ser community identified in loc plans, policies, regulations California Department of F or US Fish and Wildlife Se	sitive natural cal or regional or by the ish and Wildlife			
Discussion:				
The property does not contain a community identified in local of Department of Fish and Wildlife desert washes are found within developed and located within the	or regional plans, poli or U.S. Fish and Wild the project boundary.	icies, and regulation life Service. No blue As previously disc	ons or by the ne-line stream ocussed, the pro	California corridors or ject site is

adjacent parking lot and commercial/office facilities. The proposed project is consistent with the surrounding development and no impacts are expected to any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural

Mitigation Measures: None

c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?

Discussion:

communities.

The project has been heavily impacted by development for a number of years, first as a trailer park and now the current Plaza del Sol shopping center. The project site does not contain nor is it adjacent to federally protected wetlands, marshes or other drainage features. Therefore the project will not result in the direct removal, filling or other hydrological interruption to any of these resources. The projects onsite storm drain improvements include a catch basin to prevent the direct discharge and hydro modification impacts of runoff into the local municipal separate storm sewer system and any downstream receiving waters. No impacts are expected as a result of project implementation.

Mitigation Measures: None

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d)	Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or we established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?	у			
	Discussion:				
discuss near ar does n expect	roject is situated in an existing shopping sed, has been impacted by development my existing drainages that would support not provide the natural habitat condition ed to the movement of any native residences resident or migratory wildlife corridors.	nt for a number of wildlife corrections that would ent or migrator	er of years. The paidors. The existing d be suitable for	roject is not loc g commercial de wildlife. No in	cated on or evelopment mpacts are
	Mitigation Measures: None				
e)	Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resour such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?	rces,			\boxtimes
vegetar existin conflic	Discussion: eveloped project site does not supportion has been established based on langlandscape in place, particularly the ext with any local policies or ordinance implementation. No impacts are anticipated in the control of the	ndscape design existing Date es for protect	. Project impleme Palms and Palo V	entation would ; Verde trees. The	protect the erefore, no
	Mitigation Measures: None				
	Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or stathabitat conservation plan?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
and nat The pro- resource	oject lies within the boundary of Tribal tural communities. The proposed develor oposed project is not within a designate ces on the property as recognized by the Floor Planning Area fee, which h	opment is not a ed Conservation he THCP. The	enticipated to conf n Area and there a project will be a	lict with this Ha are no protected required to pay	bitat Plan. biological the THCP

permanently protect and manage Coachella Valley threatened or endangered species. Based on these provisions, the applicable fees would be collected prior to issuance of a building permit. Since the

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project will comply with the THCP, no impacts are expected to result from project implementation.

Mitigation Measures: None

V. CULTURAL RESOURCES -- Would the project:

a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in Section 15064.5?

Discussion:

The project site has been previously disturbed for many years, the USGS Topographic Map for Palm Springs shows the site was previously used as a trailer park from 1955-1979 and by 1992 the Plaza del Sol shopping center was constructed and most, if not all, remnants of the former mobile home park have been removed. The Plaza del Sol presently includes four commercial/office buildings, two vacant areas, a parking lot with 351 parking stalls; utility infrastructure and landscape improvements.

As defined by CEQA §15064.5 (b), "substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource means physical demolition, destruction, relocation, or alternation of the resource or its immediate surroundings such that the significance of a historical resource would be materially impaired". The project site is not listed in a local, state or national register of historical resources. Moreover, according to the Cultural Resources section of the City of Palm Springs General Plan, the property is located outside the designated areas likely to contain Prehistoric or Archaeological resources (General Plan Figures 5-5, 5-6) and does not contain or is adjacent to previously identified historic resources as defined by California Code of Regulations, Section 15064.5. No impacts related to historic resources are expected.

Mitigation Measures: None

b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to Section 15064.5?

The project site lies in an area not recognized as sensitive for Prehistoric/Archaeological Resources according to Figures 5-5, and 5-6 of the City's General Plan. The City of Palm Springs has an extensive past and present Native American population. The City's General Plan lays out policies to protect, preserve or reduce impacts on these archaeological resources. Additionally, the Agua Caliente Tribal Historic Office also ensures the protection and preservation of Tribal archaeological resources. As previously discussed, the site has been heavily disturbed for a number of years with residential uses and the current Plaza del Sol shopping center. The proposed project will utilize the existing footprint of the Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club which is presently unoccupied; the proposed hotel is approximately 29,712 square feet and would be constructed where the bocce courts and open grass area are today. The existing development/disturbance of the project site reduces the possibility of uncovering archaeological resources since the soil has previously been graded when the former Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club

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Discussion:

Resource Code 21074?

change in the significance of a Tribal cultural resource as defined in Public

Public Resource Code 21074 identifies "Tribal cultural resources" as "Sites, features, places, cultural landscapes, sacred places and object with cultural value to a California Native American Tribe" and that are either included or determined to be eligible for inclusion on the national, state, or local register of historic resources, or that are determined by the lead agency, in its discretion, to be significant when taking into consideration the significance of the resource to a Californian Native American Tribe. The project is in a zoned PD-131 with a Commercial Overlay and part of the Plaza del Sol shopping center. As discussed throughout this this section, the current development/disturbance of the project site reduces the possibility of uncovering Tribal resources since the soil has been previously been graded when the Plaza del Sol shopping center was constructed and again when the pool was added as part of the Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. The project is proposing a 66-room hotel with additional parking facilities and minor modifications to the existing restaurant. The current bocce courts will be removed and replaced with the hotel. All new development will comply with the existing regulations that are in place to protect historic resources as well as policies found in the Palm Springs General Plan. No impacts to Tribal Resources are anticipated.

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	Mitigation Measures: None					
e)	Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeters			\boxtimes		
	Discussion:					
formal Section location or any examinareason	The proposed project is not anticipated to disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries. The California Health and Safety Code, Section 7050.5, and the CEQA Guidelines Section 15064.5 require that in the event of discovery or recognition of any human remains in any location other than a dedicated cemetery, there shall be no further excavation or disturbance of the site, or any nearby area reasonably suspected to overlay adjacent remains, until the County Coroner has examined the remains. If the coroner determines the remains to be those of Native American, or has reason to believe that they are those of Native American, the coroner shall contact by telephone within 24 hours the Native American Heritage Commission. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.					
	Mitigation Measures: None					
VI. Gl	EOLOGY AND SOILS Would the p	project:				
a)	Expose people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the of loss, injury, or death involving:					
	i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zonin Map issued by the State Geologist for a area or based on other substantial evide of a known fault?	g the			\boxtimes	
Discussion: According to the Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zones designated by the California Division of Mines and Geology, the project site is not located within a designated fault zone. The closest known potentially active faults are located approximately 7 miles to the north. These faults are recognized as the Southern segments of the San Andreas Fault System and the Garnet Hill Fault. Furthermore, the City of Palm Springs Safety Element Seismic Hazards Map (Figures 6-1) does not designate the project site as being on or near an Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone. There are no known active or possibly active faults with potential impacts associated with fault rupture indicated on the site or in the immediate vicinity. No impacts are expected relative to fault rupture as delineated on Alquist-Priolo Maps or substantial evidence of a known fault.						
	Mitigation Measures: None					
	ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?			\boxtimes		
	Discussion:					

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Seismic activity is typical of the Coachella Valley and rest of Southern California and has the potential to generate intense seismic shaking during the design life of the project. However, through compliance with seismic safety provisions of the California Building Code (CBC,) the proposed facilities will be constructed in a manner that reduces or eliminates the risk of seismic hazards (Title 24, California Code of Regulations). Furthermore, remedial grading and construction to the most current CBC guidelines and seismic design coefficients will work to reduce exposure of people or structures to adverse effects associated with ground shaking during an earthquake to the greatest extent possible. Less than significant impacts are expected.

Mitigation Measures: None				
iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?			\boxtimes	
Discussion:				
According to the City of Palm Springs Gener located in an area of the City with Low Liqu with Fine-grained granular sediments suscept than 50 feet. Liquefaction requires groundwar significant impacts are expected.	efaction Susce ible to liquefa	eptibility. This ction but with	designation ap	plies to areas depths greater
Mitigation Measures: None				
iv) Landslides?				\boxtimes
Discussion:				
The site itself and surrounding lands are predo According to the City of Palm Springs Gene project site does not lie within an area of landslides. No impacts are expected.	eral Plan Land	slide Suscepti	bility Map (Fig	gure 6-2), the
Mitigation Measures: None				
b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?			\boxtimes	
Discussion:				

The City of Palm Springs General Plan Wind Hazard Zone Map and Geologic Map (Figures 6-3, 6-4) identifies the site as being in an area with a High Wind Erodibility Rating with an Older Alluvial Gravel and Sand soil composition. Soil stabilization will be required during site disturbing activities. At project build out, the property will be developed or landscaped, reducing the possibility for wind erosion.

The proposed project will involve grading activities for an area less than one acre, which will be performed according to an engineered grading plan approved by the City. The plan will include measures to control water and wind-born erosion. The project is expected to implement (throughout all

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construction activities) standard construction best management practices to reduce potential erosion impacts during the period of grading and construction. As a standard condition, if construction conditions result in an increase of the temporary disturbed surface area to one acre or greater, the project proponent will be required to implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) in accordance with the State's most current Construction General Permit (CGP) (Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ as amended by 2010-0014-DWQ and 2012-0006-DWQ). Standard City procedures require the developer to comply with South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) Rule 403 and 403.1, which prompt the requirement for preparation and implementation of a Fugitive Dust (PM10) Control Plan to establish temporary perimeter controls and soil stabilization measures to prevent erosion and sediment track out. Windborne erosion is further discussed within the Air Quality section of this document. Additional discussion relative to waterborne erosion is found in the Hydrology and Water Quality section of this document. Following implementation of standard conditions, less than significant impacts are expected.

	Mitigation Measures: None				
c)	Be located on a geological unit or soil the unstable, or that would become unstable result of the project, and potentially result or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?	as a		\boxtimes	
	Discussion:				
cep	City of Palm Springs Safety Element, as stible to geologic hazards including light subsidence has been documented in the	quefaction, l	andslides, later	al spreading a	nd colla

The e is ipse. suse ar in the upper valley or the project vicinity. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial risks to life or \boxtimes property.

Expansive soils owe their characteristics to the presence of swelling clay materials. The project site consists of older alluvial gravel and sand which is not an expansive soil. Less than significant impacts are anticipated related to expansive soils.

Mitigation Measures: None

Discussion:

Mitigation Measures: None

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e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks of alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for disposal of waste water?	or stems			\boxtimes
Discussion:				
Sewer service is provided in the vicinity public sewer system and no septic tanks impacts are expected.	-		_	
Mitigation Measures: None				
VII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS	SWould the pro	oject:		

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Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either				
directly or indirectly, that may have a				
significant impact on the environment?			\boxtimes	
	directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?	directly or indirectly, that may have a	directly or indirectly, that may have a	directly or indirectly, that may have a

Discussion:

Greenhouse gases (GHG) are a group of gases that trap solar energy in the Earth's atmosphere, preventing it from becoming too cold and uninhabitable. Common greenhouse gases in the Earth's atmosphere include: water vapor, carbon dioxide (CO2), methane (CH4), nitrous oxide (N2O), ozone, and to a lesser extent chlorofluorocarbons. Carbon dioxide is the main GHG thought to contribute to climate change. Carbon dioxide reflects solar radiation back to Earth, thereby trapping solar energy and heat within the lower atmosphere. Human activities (such as burning carbon-based fossil fuels) create water vapor and CO2 as byproducts, thereby impacting the levels of GHG in the atmosphere.

To address the long-term adverse impacts associated with global climate change, implementation of *The* Governor's Executive Order S-3-05 would reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in California 80 percent below 1990 levels or 90 percent below current levels by the year 2050. Achieving this objective would contribute to efforts being made around the globe to stabilize the global climate by capping GHG concentrations.

With the passage of the California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (Assembly Bill 32) in California, environmental documents for projects pursuant to CEOA are required to analyze greenhouse gases and assess the potential significance and impacts of GHG emissions. Additionally, the City of Palm Springs adopted their Climate Action Plan (CAP) that includes policies that apply to new development for the reduction of GHGs.

However, there is currently no statewide adopted threshold for GHG emissions. Although the SCAQMD has adopted an interim significance threshold for GHG emissions, it applies only to those industrial (stationary source) projects where the SCAQMD is the lead agency. The SCAQMD has adopted a screening threshold of 3,000 MTCO2e per year for stationary source emissions for small land use projects. Although CARB has not identified an interim GHG significance threshold for residential or commercial sector projects to date, it is recommended that a threshold be developed based on the

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implementation of stringent performance standards or equivalent mitigation measures addressing energy use, transportation, water use, waste and construction.

CalEEMod (The California Emissions Estimator Model/CalEEMod Version 2013.22) was utilized to estimate the long-term operational air pollutant emissions and the greenhouse gas emissions that would result from the implementation of the proposed project. The annual GHG emissions associated with the operation of the proposed hotel is 651.1002 CO2e per year as summarized in Table VII-1. Direct and indirect operational emissions associated with the project are compared with the SCAQMD threshold significance for small land use projects, which is 3,000 MTCO2e per year. Less than significant impacts are expected.

Table VII-1 Greenhouse Gas Annual Emissions Summary

		Emissions (metric tons per year)				
	CO ₂	CH₄	N₂O	Total CO₂E		
Area	2.0500e-003	1.0000e-005	0.0000	2.1700e-003		
Energy	277.0141	0.0101	3.5100e-003	278.3149		
Mobile Sources	647.1144	0.0143	0.0000	347.4144		
Waste	7.3341	0.4334	0.0000	16.4361		
WaterUsage	7.3610	0.0549	1.3500e-003	8.9327		
Total CO2E (All Sources)				651.1002		

| Total CO2E (All Sources) | Source: CalEEMod™ output.

Note: Totals obtained from CalEEMod and may not total 100% due to rounding.

Mitigation Measures: None

b) Conflict with an applicable plan. Policy or		
regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?	\boxtimes	

Discussion:

California's Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 (AB32) required the California Air Resources Board (CARB) to establish a greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions cap for the year 2020 and adopt the mandatory reporting rules for significant sources of GHG. The SCAQMD adopted the interim GHG significance threshold for stationary/industrial sources on December 5, 2008 which applies to projects where the SCAQMD is the lead agency. Additionally, the City of Palm Springs has adopted a Climate Action Plan (CAP) to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions or support reduction strategies resulting from development. The project will implement energy efficient methods such as low flow appliances (including toilets, shower heads) drought tolerant landscape and other water conservation methods.

The project is consistent with current General Plan and zoning policies and is not anticipated to conflict with the plan and policies established under Assembly Bill 32, Senate Bill 375 or Senate Bill 97. Therefore, less than significant impacts are expected.

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Mitigation Measures: None

VIII. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS -- Would the project:

a)	Create a significant hazard to the public			
	or the environment through the routine			
	transport, use, or disposal of hazardous			
	materials?		\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The Code of Federal Regulations (CFR Title 40, Part 261) defines hazardous materials based on ignitability, reactivity, corrosivity, and/or toxicity properties. The State of California defines hazardous materials as substances that are toxic, ignitable or flammable, reactive and/or corrosive, which have the capacity of causing harm or a health hazard during normal exposure or an accidental release. As a result, the use and management of hazardous or potentially hazardous substances is regulated under existing federal, state and local laws. Hazardous wastes require special handling and disposal methods to reduce their potential to damage public health and the environment. Manufacturer's specifications also dictate the proper use, handling, and disposal methods for the specific substances.

Construction of the proposed project is expected to involve the temporary management and use of oils, fuels and other potentially flammable substances. The nature and quantities of these products would be limited to what is necessary to carry out construction of the project. Some of these materials would be transported to the site periodically by vehicle and would be stored in designated controlled areas on a short-term basis. When handled properly by trained individuals and consistent with the manufacturer's instructions and industry standards, the risk involved with handling these materials is considerably reduced. The contractor will be required to identify a controlled staging area within the project limits for storing materials and equipment, and will be required to implement best management practices to assure that impacts are minimized and that any minor spills are immediately and properly remediated.

Hotel uses, as proposed, do not typically involve the routine transport, use or disposal of hazardous materials in quantities or a manner that would pose a threat to the project and surroundings. Operation of the proposed facilities would involve the handling and application of cleaning agents, building maintenance products, paints and solvents, and similar items would be stored on-site. These potentially hazardous materials would not be present in sufficient quantities to pose a significant hazard to public health and safety or the environment. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation Measures: None

b)	Create a significant hazard to the public or			
	the environment through reasonably			
	foreseeable upset and accident conditions			
	involving the release of hazardous material	ls		
	into the environment?		\boxtimes	

Discussion:

As noted previously, hazardous materials are not typically present in large quantities for restaurants or

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hotels. The storage and use of these materials would be subject to existing federal, State, and local regulations, including the California Health and Safety Code, and Title 19 California Code of Regulations Section 2729, which establish minimum requirements for business emergency plans. Such regulations require that businesses provide emergency response plans, procedures, training, recordkeeping and disclosure of materials stored or used on-site. Therefore, accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials are unlikely. Less than significant impacts are expected to result from project implementation.

	Mitigation Measures: None				
c)	Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
project site. T quantit	oject site is not located within ¼ mile of an extract site is the Cahuilla Elementary School locally the nature of the project would not involvities or conditions that would result in the related to schools are anticipated. Mitigation Measures: None	nted approximate the use or	ately 0.4 miles handling of h	northeast of the nazardous subs	ne project stances in
d)	Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 6596 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
	l searches on the project property were perf				

Record searches on the project property were performed within multiple database platforms compiled pursuant to Government Code 65962.5 and its subsections. The resources consulted included GeoTracker, EnviroStor and the EPA Enforcement and Compliance History Online (ECHO).

GeoTracker is a database maintained by the State of California Water Resources Control Board that provides online access to environmental data. It serves as the management system for tracking regulatory data on sites that can potentially impact groundwater, particularly those requiring groundwater cleanup and permitted facilities, such as operating underground storage tanks and land disposal sites.

EnviroStor is a database maintained by the State of California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC). The EnviroStor database identifies sites with known contamination or sites for which there may be reasons to investigate further. It includes the identification of formerly contaminated properties that have been released for reuse; properties where environmental deed restrictions have been recorded to

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prevent inappropriate land uses; and risk characterization information that is used to assess potential impacts to public health and the environment at contaminated sites.

Moreover, the ECHO database focuses on inspection, violation, and enforcement data for the Clean Air Act (CAA), Clean Water Act (CWA) and Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and also includes Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) and Toxics Release Inventory (TRI) data.

In June of 2016, a search was performed on all three database platforms. The search results did not identify any records or sites in connection with the project property. The GeoTracker and EnviroStor database results did not identify any Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Cleanup Sites, Land Disposal Sites, Military Sites, DTSC Hazardous Waste Permits, DTSC Cleanup Sites, or Permitted Underground Storage Tanks on or around the project property. No impacts are anticipated.

	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 project area?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
_	roject is not located within two miles of a dapproximately 2.2 miles to the northeast. N	-			-
	Mitigation Measures: None				
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
	Discussion:				
The pr	roject is not within the vicinity of a private ai	rstrip. No imp	acts are expect	ted.	
	Mitigation Measures: None				
g)	Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?			\boxtimes	
	Discussion:				

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Under the City's General Plan, Safety Element "Disaster Preparedness, Response and Recovery" section, the City of Palm Springs participates in the Standard Emergency Management System (SEMS). Depending on the type of emergency, several different agencies may be called in to assist with emergency response, agencies that can be expected as part of an emergency response include, medical, fire and rescue, police, public works, and coroner. In preparation for potential disasters, the City of Palm Springs participates in the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) program. The CERT program provides residents the skills and knowledge to prepare and respond to a disaster by providing basic fire suppression, select and set up treatment areas, employ basic treatments for various injuries, and search and rescue efforts. Additionally, the general plan states that all new projects incorporate adequate egress systems into project design and that they are evaluated to ensure that proper police and fire protection is available.

The proposed project will not physically interfere with an emergency evacuation or response plan. The location of the proposed hotel site has two nearby existing vehicular access points: one on Morongo Road to the north and one on South Palm Canyon Drive to the east. Project implementation will require site plan review by the City of Palm Springs Planning and Engineering departments and by the City's Fire and Police departments. The project will comply with the adopted California Building Code and California Fire Code. These provisions include construction standards for new buildings, road widths and configurations designed to accommodate the passage of fire trucks and engines, and requirements for minimum fire flow rates for water mains. Site specific emergency response requirements include installation of approved automatic fire sprinklers with fire flow rates which are determined on density and intensity of uses. Other measures include the use of fire resistant construction materials such as stucco and fire resistant roof materials to reduce the degree of fire damage. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

h)	Expose people or structures to a significant
	risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland
	fires, including where wildlands are adjacent
	to urbanized areas or where residences are

Mitigation Measures: None

intermixed with wildlands?

Discussion:

The project site is located in a developed area of the City and a portion is surrounded by developed parcels. The immediate vicinity of the project's site is not adjacent to or intermixed with areas susceptible to wildland fires. The Riverside County RCIP and City of Palm Springs General Plan EIR indicate the project area is not within the Very High Severity Zone, and the site is listed as being in a Non-Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone on the Cal Fire Map Local Responsibility Area (LRA) Map for Western Riverside County. The project site is not located near or adjacent to any wildfire areas. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

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IX. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALI	TY Would	the project:		
a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The Clean Water Act (CWA) of 1972 establishes regulations pertaining to the discharge of pollutants to waters of the U.S. from point sources. Subsequent amendments to the CWA in 1987 established a framework for regulating non-point source stormwater discharges under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES). In the State of California, the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) and nine California Regional Water Quality Control Boards (RWQCBs) administer the regulation, protection and administration of water quality pursuant to the NPDES. Their regulations encompass storm water discharges from construction sites, municipal separate storm sewer systems (MS4s), and major industrial facilities. The proposed Project is located within the Whitewater River Watershed in the Colorado River Region (Region 7). The City of Palm Springs is a Permittee of the Whitewater River Watershed MS4. Individual projects, like the proposed development, are required to comply with these existing regulations.

The proposed hotel project will result in a temporary and permanent disturbance area of less than one acre. As a result, it does not reach the 1-acre threshold prompting the requirement of coverage under the State's most current Construction General Permit (CGP) (Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ as amended by 2010-0014-DWQ and 2012-0006-DWQ). However, the project is expected to implement standard construction best management practices to reduce potential impacts to surface water quality during the period of construction. Erosion prevention, good site housekeeping, proper waste management, and proper material handling and storage will be required from the project during construction. These activities will only be allowed within the established project limits (less than one acre). As a standard condition, if unforeseen construction conditions result in an expansion of the temporary disturbed surface area to one acre or greater, the project proponent will be required to implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

During construction, the project will also be required to comply with South Coast Air Quality Management District's (SCAQMD) Rule 403 and 403.1, which prompt the requirement for preparation and implementation of a Fugitive Dust (PM10) Control Plan. Although implementation of the Fugitive Dust Control Plan largely pertains to air quality, it also helps prevent violation of water quality standards and wastewater discharge requirements through the requirement of perimeter controls and soil stabilization measures to prevent sediment erosion and track out. The concurrent implementation of the required SWPPP and Dust Control Plan plans will prevent the potential construction-related impacts to water quality at the site and its surroundings, therefore resulting in less than significant impacts.

The proposed hotel site is located within the confines of the existing Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club, which has previously been improved with engineered on-site storm drain facilities. The system includes multiple drainage inlets and piped conveyances. Any volume of storm water that is not infiltrated or treated within the property is conveyed to the existing Palm Springs Lateral Line 28B, a 48-inch reinforced concrete pipe maintained by Riverside County Flood Control (RCFC) as part of the Revised

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Master Drainage Plan for the Palm Springs Area. The proposed hotel and parking lot will be implemented according to a Precise Grading and Drainage Plan. The preliminary plans identify additional storm drain facilities, including catch basins with filter and infiltration components to handle any additional runoff generated by the project's impervious surfaces. Consistent with the current stormwater management on-site, only runoff in excess of the system's capacity will be conveyed into the existing Line 28B facility. Moreover, the Project proponent will be required to develop and implement a Project-Specific Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP) to comply with the most current standards of the Whitewater River Region Water Quality Management Plan for Urban Runoff and the Whitewater River Watershed MS4 Permit. The Project-Specific WQMP will identify a strategy of site design, source controls, and treatment controls with a maintenance and monitoring program that, throughout the life of the project, will address post-construction runoff quality and quantity. The site plan, grading, and storm drain design of the project will be factored in the Project-Specific WQMP development. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation Measures: None

b) Substantially deplete groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there would be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?

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Discussion:

The Desert Water Agency (DWA) is the primary domestic water supplier for the City of Palm Springs and the project area, which includes the Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. DWA operates according to an Urban Water Management Plan (2011 UWMP) to help plan for current and future water demands. Project implementation of 66 hotel rooms, parking lot facilities, and modifications to the existing restaurant will result in an incremental increase in the use of water resources in an area that has been planned to encourage visitor accommodations and services. The proposed development will be expected to implement water conservation measures to reduce impacts to public water supplies. These measures include low-flow plumbing fixtures and drought-tolerant (native) outdoor landscaping. The project site presently does not host any groundwater recharge facilities and will not disturb any area within the Whitewater River Flood Plain that could alter natural, in-river recharge patterns. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation Measures: None

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c)	pattern of the site or area, including throu the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in	_			
	substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The project is located within a commercial plaza that does not have any existing natural drainages, such as streams or rivers that would be affected through an alteration or increase in erosion or siltation, on- or off-site. Presently, the pattern of runoff in the project area is governed by the existing engineered improvements that include surface and piped conveyances into the existing underground Lateral Line 28B of the Master Drainage Plan for the Palm Springs Area.

The proposed hotel and parking lot facilities will result in a conversion of pervious to impervious land cover through the introduction of hardscape, rooftops, and asphalt in an area of less than one acre. Such alteration would typically result in a site-specific increase in the amount and rate of stormwater runoff. To prevent changes to local drainage conditions (patterns, quantities, or velocities) that can potentially result in an increase in erosion and sedimentation impacts, the project will incorporate engineered storm drain facilities. The proposed precise grading and drainage design will dictate the conveyance (surface and piped flows) from the project's impervious land cover into multiple inlets equipped with filtration and infiltration features to promote dewatering. The design will allow for the distribution of runoff with the intent to reduce or manage velocity, concentration, and quantity of runoff. The design and maintenance of these facilities, along with non-structural source control measures, will be reflected in a Project Specific WQMP, which will be subject to review and approval by the City Engineer. As a result of these improvements, the Project will not result in storm runoff discharge conditions that would impact the existing stormwater drainage system, any local drainage courses, or result in any substantial increases in erosion or siltation. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation Measures: None

d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding onor off-site?

Discussion:

The project area does not have any existing natural drainages, such as streams or rivers. Presently, the pattern of runoff in the project area is governed by the existing engineered improvements that include surface and piped conveyances into the existing underground Lateral Line 28B of the Master Drainage Plan for the Palm Springs Area. Line 28B and the subsequent Line 28 are designed to convey storm

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flows into the existing Tahquitz Creek Flood Control Channel to the northeast. The project of less than one acre will include the necessary storm drain facilities to properly manage the storm water runoff generated on-site. Any runoff volume and rate in excess of the system's capacity will be conveyed into the existing Lateral Line 28B of the Master Drainage Plan for the Palm Springs Area. The project's relatively small area and incremental increases in imperviousness are not expected to result in surface runoff conditions that would result in flooding on- or off-site. Less than significant impacts are anticipated

anticip	conditions that would result in flooding	on- or	on-site. Less	than significant	i impacts are
	Mitigation Measures: None				
e)	Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff?			\boxtimes	
	Discussion:				
approvement and to Manage The Proceedings of the Procedure of the Procedur	roject proponent is required to prepare and ral by the City Engineer prior to issuance of plementation of operational best management of comply with the most current standard gement Plan for Urban Runoff and the White project-Specific WQMP will identify the number of the maintenance and monitoring programments are represented in the Project-Specific WQMP development of the project of the local receiving waters	a gradir nt practic s of the water Rivecessary arm that t site plan ment. Th	ng or building ces necessary to Whitewater wer Watershed site design, s hroughout the n, grading design rough this req	permit. The WQi o accommodate in River Region V MS4 Permit. ource controls, a life of the project gn and storm dra juired compliance	MP addresses project runoff Vater Quality and treatment will address hin design are e, the project
quality require during	standards and waste discharge requirement and maintenance practices necessary to ensu- the life of the project. Less than significal quality are expected.	ents. The are that	Project-Specthe water qua	ific WQMP also lity facilities ren	outlines the
	Mitigation Measures: None				
f)	Otherwise substantially degrade water quality?				

Discussion:

The project is expected to reduce potential impacts to water quality by complying with the relevant regulatory programs during construction and throughout the life of the project (operation). Compliance will involve the development of detailed plans to demonstrate the appropriate implementation, recordkeeping and monitoring activities that address the water quality objectives and prevent any violations.

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The proposed project is expected to implement standard construction best management practices to reduce potential impacts to surface water quality during the period of construction. Erosion prevention, good site housekeeping, proper waste management, and proper material handling and storage will be required from the project during construction within the project confines. Any discharge of non-stormwater flows from the site, such as sediment-laden runoff, is prohibited. As a standard condition, if construction conditions result in an expansion of the temporary disturbed surface area to one acre or greater, the project proponent will be required to implement a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

As previously discussed, the development and implementation of operational best management practices pursuant to a Project-Specific WQMP will comply with the most current standards of the Whitewater River Region Water Quality Management Plan for Urban Runoff and the Whitewater River Watershed MS4 Permit. The Project-Specific WQMP will identify a strategy of site design, source controls, and treatment controls with a maintenance and monitoring program to address post-construction runoff quality and quantity. Therefore, the project helps prevent impacts to the local receiving waters and avoids project violations to the established water quality standards and waste discharge requirements. Less than significant impacts relative to the substantial degradation of water quality are expected.

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g)	Place housing within a 100-year flood		
	hazard area as mapped on a federal Flood		
	Hazard Boundary or Flood Insurance Rate		
	Map or other flood hazard delineation map?	\boxtimes	

Discussion:

Mitigation Measures: None

The proposed project does not involve permanent housing facilities, but will involve transient occupancy by guests. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) evaluates potential flood hazards for the City. The FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRMs) serve as the basis for identifying those potential hazards and determining the need for and availability of federal flood insurance. According to FIRM panel 06065C1566G, effective August 28, 2008, the entire project and its immediate surroundings are located in an area subject to the 0.2 percent annual chance flood (Zone X Shaded). Based on the FIRM definition, this zone applies to areas protected from the 1-percent-annual-chance flood by a levee, areas within the 0.2-percent-annual-chance floodplain, areas of the 1-percent-annual-chance flooding where average depths are less than 1 foot, areas of 1-percent-annual-chance flooding where the contributing drainage area is less than 1 square mile. No Base Flood Elevations or depths are shown within this zone. Stormwater runoff generated by the project would be managed by a storm drainage system that ties into existing facilities within the City's Master Drainage Plan. The proposed improvement plans will be subject to agency review and approval to ensure that the proposed grading and drainage conditions are acceptable to the City's standards. Development of the project will not place structures or housing within a 100-year flood hazard area. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

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h)	Place within a 100-year flood hazard a structures which would impede or red flood flows?				\boxtimes
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existin	eviously mentioned, the proposed hoten ag commercial plaza, which is not lo t would not impede or redirect 100-year	cated within	a 100-year flood h	azard area; the	
	Mitigation Measures: None				
i)	Expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding as a result of the fa of a levee or dam?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
Spring are pr Reserv	and dam inundation hazards within to see General Plan. Specifically, the Flood one to inundation hazards. The projection of the projection	l Hazards mar ect is located herefore, the	o (Figure 6-5) ident loutside of the Te project will not intr	ifies a series of achevah Creek oduce people or	zones that Detention structures
j)	Inundation by seiche, tsunami, or muflow?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
_	roposed project is not located near a le tential for inundation by seiche, tsunam				
	Mitigation Measures: None				
X. LA	ND USE AND PLANNING - Would	the project:			
a)	Physically divide an established community?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
-	oject site sits on the northern half of a troposes a 3-story, 66-room hotel ad	-			

The project site sits on the northern half of a 17-acre parcel within the Plaza del Sol shipping center. The project proposes a 3-story, 66-room hotel adjacent to the now closed Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. The property is zoned PD-131 with an underlying zoning of C-1(Retail Business). Hotels are permitted in this zone, subject to R-3 (Multi-family Residential & Hotel) development standards. The site is also within the R (Resort) overlay zone, which was established in certain parts of the city to encourage visitor

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accommodations and services. Surrounding land uses include various hotel establishments to the north and south, additional hotel and commercial to the east, and high density residential to the west. The proposed project will incorporate the existing restaurant and pool; the west end of the restaurant will be modified to house the hotel lobby, provide meeting spaces and back of house facilities. The east portion of the restaurant will remain as is with a new outdoor patio. The existing pool will be utilized for hotel guest and also open to the public. The proposed project is consistent with the surrounding land uses and the city's Land Use and Zoning designations and would not physically divide an established community. Therefore, no impacts relative to dividing an established community are anticipated.

	Mitigation Measures: None			
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 program,			
	or zoning ordinance) adopted for the			
	purpose of avoiding or mitigating an			
	environmental effect?		\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The project is a 3-story hotel with 66-rooms and zoned PD-131 with an underlying zoning of C-1(Retail Business). Hotels are permitted in this zone, subject to R-3 (Multi-family Residential & Hotel) development standards. The site is also within the R (Resort) overlay zone, which was established in certain parts of the city to encourage visitor accommodations and services. As previously discussed, the project will incorporate the existing restaurant and pool previously known as the Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. Minor modifications will be done to the west end of the existing restaurant which will house the hotel lobby, meeting rooms and back of house facilities. The proposed hotel is 3-stories with an approximate height of 34 feet. High-rise buildings up to 100 feet are permitted on Indian Land and in this zone subject to a PD approval. The project will meet the requirements of the R-3 development standards. Its operation and physical characteristics will not conflict with any of the City's land use and zoning or other regulatory policies. The project's location is compatible with the surrounding neighborhood and less than significant impacts are anticipated.

c) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural community conservation plan?

As previously stated, the project site is located within an existing commercial center and proposes to construct a 3-story, 66-unit hotel that would incorporate the now vacant Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. The project lies within the boundary of the Tribal HCP, which outlines policies for conservation of habitats and natural communities. The proposed development is not anticipated to conflict with this

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Habitat Plan. The project will be required to pay the THCP Valley Floor Planning Area fee, which helps supports the acquisition of conservation lands to permanently protect and manage Coachella Valley threatened or endangered species. Based on these provisions, the applicable fees would be collected prior to issuance of building permit. Since the project will comply with the THCP, no impacts are expected to result from project implementation.

result	from project implementation.			· •	•
	Mitigation Measures: None				
XI. M	INERAL RESOURCES Would the p.	roject:			
a)	Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?				M
	residents of the state?	LJ			\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
Minera Minera Cannot surrou not res Valley	ication maps and reports have been deal resources. Local agencies, including the all classifications for land use and plan deal classifications for land use and plan deal ding to the Palm Springs General Plan all Resource Zone 3 (MRZ-3), which apply the evaluated from the available data. Indeed by other commercial and residential sult in the loss of any known mineral refregions or residents of California. No in mineral resources.	e City of Palr velopment and the project a plies to areas The project in al development	n Springs, utilized decision making and its surround where the significant is located in an ent; therefore, programs considered	the existing ing. ings are located ficance of mirexisting commoderated implementation in the commoderated important to	nformation on ted within the neral deposits nercial setting intation would the Coachella
	Mitigation Measures: None				
b)	Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan?				
	Discussion:				
	al resources that are known to exist in the				
gravel	(aggregate) typically deposited along a	ind near loca	ıl drainages. Ag	gregate mater	ial is deemed

Mineral resources that are known to exist in the Coachella Valley region primarily consist of sand and gravel (aggregate) typically deposited along and near local drainages. Aggregate material is deemed necessary to the local building industry as a component of asphalt, concrete, road base, stucco and plaster. Local or regional construction industries tend to be dependent on readily available aggregate deposits within reasonable distance to the market region. The project site is not recognized as a mineral resource recovery site delineated in the County of Riverside General Plan, City of Palm Springs General Plan or the resource maps prepared pursuant to SMARA. No impacts are expected as a result of project implementation.

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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?			\boxtimes	П
standards of other ageneres:		لبا		

Discussion:

Noise is defined as unwanted sound that disrupts normal activities or that diminishes the quality of the environment. It is usually caused by human activity that adds to the existing acoustic setting of a locale. Noise is measured on a logarithmic scale of sound pressure level known as a decibel (dB). Everyday sounds normally range from 30 dB (very quiet) to 100 dB (very loud). The human ear does not respond uniformly to sounds at all frequencies, being less sensitive to low and high frequencies than to medium frequencies that correspond with human speech. In response to this, the A-weighted noise level or scale has been developed to correspond better with peoples' subjective judgment of sound levels. This A-weighted sound level is called the "noise level" referenced in units of dB(A). Noise levels in the City's General Plan are quantified on the basis of the Community Noise Equivalent Level (CNEL), which is a measurement scale that sets appropriate levels of noise based on land use types. CNEL is a 24 hour weighted scale that considers the more sensitive time periods in the evenings and at night, and weights them accordingly. Sensitive receptors, such as residences and schools, have a lower acceptable CNEL level than commercial or business park noise levels.

Goals and policies regarding land use compatibility with noise are identified in the Noise Element of the Palm Springs 2007 General Plan. The Noise Element contains guidelines for land use compatibility with various community noise exposure levels to permit noise concerns to be incorporated in the land use planning process and prevent future noise incompatibilities. Community noise levels are identified as "normally acceptable", "conditionally acceptable", or "clearly unacceptable" for each land use category. Hotel uses are considered normally acceptable in areas where the exterior noise exposure does not exceed 65 CNEL, conditionally acceptable where the community noise exposure does not exceed 70 CNEL, normally unacceptable where noise exposure does not exceed 80 CNEL and clearly unacceptable where noise exposure levels exceed 80 CNEL. For hotel uses, the noise levels in interior habitable areas cannot exceed 45 dBA CNEL. The City's General Plan also provides a variety of collected data and modeled noise impacts, some of which are represented in the projected noise contours for the City's roadways and freeways at General Plan buildout. Motor vehicle traffic generally represents a major source of continuous noise due to engine vibration, exhaust system and the interaction of tires with the roadway. The noise produced along a roadway is influenced by traffic volume, average speed and the percentage of trucks in the traffic composition.

The proposed project involves a 66-room, 3-story hotel building to an existing development known as Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club, within the Plaza del Sol commercial center. The hotel site is located at the southwest corner of Morongo Road and South Palm Canyon Drive. Existing uses on the north side of Morongo Road include a hotel (Cambridge Inn) and a recreational vehicle park (Parkview Mobile

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Estates). Uses on the east side of South Palm Canyon Drive include a hotel (Musicland Hotel) and other commercial establishments. The existing uses to the south, within the Plaza del Sol, include a parking lot and a retail store (Stein Mart). The west side of Belardo Road is developed with residential uses, particularly Tahquitz Mesa Villas (apartments) and Dakota (single-family).

The project site exposed to noise levels by the surrounding uses, principally traffic noise from South Palm Canyon Drive where the posted speed limit is 40 miles per hour. According to the project-specific Focused Traffic Analysis, the existing average daily traffic volume for South Palm Canyon Drive is twenty-two thousand vehicles per day. The City's General Plan daily traffic conditions forecast indicate a 2025 Average Daily Traffic of twenty-two thousand vehicles per day for South Palm Canyon Drive. Based on the General Plan Noise Element's Future Roadway Community Noise (2025) Equivalent Level (CNEL) Noise Contours (Figure 8-5), the proposed hotel site is located between the 60 and 65 CNEL noise contour associated with those traffic conditions. The existing noise level is therefore considered an existing normally acceptable noise condition for hotel uses because it does not exceed 65 CNEL. Based on the project-specific Focused Traffic Analysis, the proposed project is expected to contribute approximately one hundred daily trips to South Palm Canyon Drive and three hundred trips along Morongo Road between South Palm Canyon Drive and the project's north driveway. The project would not contribute increases in traffic volume adjacent to sensitive land uses. Buildings with standard construction usually achieve an outdoor to indoor noise reduction of between 20 and 25 dB. Therefore it expected that the hotel uses will have an acceptable indoor noise environment and that existing buildings will not be subject to increases in noise exceeding the indoor standards.

The construction activities of the Project are expected to generate a short-term noise increases compared to the existing levels. Two types of noise impacts are anticipated during future construction activities. First, the transport of workers and equipment to the site would incrementally increase noise levels along the local roadways leading to and from the site. Second, the noise will be generated by the actual on-site construction activities. The loudest construction noise is generally the grading phase, when more heavy equipment is used more consistently on a site. Noise levels are periodic and decrease significantly with distance, thus having less impact on sensitive receptors at greater distances.

The potential for off-site noise impacts are further reduced by the Palm Springs Noise Ordinance (Municipal Code Section 11.74.041) and the Palm Springs Construction Site Regulations (Chapter 8.04.220). The Construction Site Regulations outlined in Municipal Code Chapter 8.04.220, limit the hours of construction work between 7:00 am and 7:00 pm Mondays through Fridays, 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Saturdays, and no work is permitted on Sundays and Holidays. In addition to the construction hour limitations, the following common industry standard practices will help reduce short-term noise impacts: All construction equipment, fixed or mobile, should be equipped with properly operating and maintained mufflers and the engines should be equipped with shrouds.

Only approved haul routes shall be used to minimize exposure of sensitive receptors to potential adverse levels from hauling operations. All construction equipment shall be in proper working order and maintained in a proper state of tune to reduce backfires. Construction activities will be limited to the hours prescribed in the City Noise Ordinance, which are limited to the less sensitive daytime hours.

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Active work areas must be properly delineated to prevent construction-related circulation from occurring beyond the permitted areas or in unpermitted access points. The construction contractor shall locate equipment staging in areas that will create the greatest distance between construction-related noise sources and noise sensitive receptors nearest the project site during all project construction. With these practices in place, no violations of the existing noise standards are anticipated.

Operation of the proposed hotel is expected to marginally increase the noise levels in the existing establishments. The Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club previously has operated with permitted live entertainment activities (musicians and DJs) in the wall-confined outdoor recreation area. While the entertainment activities represented an existing source of ambient noise, these were subject to various restrictions to ensure that the hours of operation and sound systems complied with the City's Noise Ordinance. For example, the previously allowed hours of live music entertainment in the pool area were limited to the hours of 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM seven days a week. All instruments were required to have limited amplification. All amplification equipment was required to be oriented away from residential communities. Noise levels were required to be maintained to a level where customers could conduct a normal conversation.

The activities were subject to the City's Noise Ordinance, which included a limit of 60 dBA from 7:00AM to 6:00PM, 55 dBA from 6:00PM to 10:00PM and 50 dBA from 10:00PM to 7:00 AM. The existing establishment is presently closed, but is anticipated to resume operations after project implementation. It is expected that if future live entertainment activities resume at the complex and outside of the proposed hotel, they will be subject, at a minimum, to the previously established restrictions pertaining to noise. Independent of the visitor activities and live music events, the proposed hotel will operate with a management team that would establish the appropriate activity restrictions to prevent Noise Ordinance violations and disturbances to guests. Moreover, the proposed three-story hotel structure would function as an informal noise barrier between the outdoor recreation area activities on the east side of the structure, and the existing properties located west of the hotel. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

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b)	Exposure of persons to or generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?		\boxtimes	
	Discussion:			

Mitigation Measures: None

Groundborne vibration, also referred to as earthborne vibration, can be described as perceptible rumbling, movement, shaking or rattling of structures and items within a structure. Groundborne vibration can generate a heightened disturbance in residential areas. These vibrations can disturb structures and household items while creating difficulty for residential activities such as reading or other tasks. Although groundborne vibration is sometimes perceptible in an outdoor environment, it is not generally deemed a problem as it is when this form of disturbance is experienced inside a building. Groundborne vibration can be measured in terms of amplitude and frequency or vibration decibels (VdB). Trains, buses, large trucks and construction activities that include pile driving, blasting, earth moving and heavy vehicle operation commonly cause these vibrations. Other factors that influence the

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disturbance of groundborne vibration include distance to source, foundation materials, perimeter controls, soil and surface types.

Construction of the project within the existing Plaza del Sol will involve the temporary operation of vehicles and equipment that could result in localized, short-term vibration increases during the permitted hours of construction established by the City. All construction equipment staging will be located within the temporary construction limits in the existing Plaza del Sol while vehicular and equipment access to the construction site would be restricted to only the approved points that minimize disturbance to local traffic. After construction and during operation, the proposed hotel development would not typically involve activities that would be expected to generate excessive vibration impacts. The live entertainment activities that have previously occurred in the Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club have been subject to activity restrictions pertaining to hours of operation and limited sound amplification to comply with the City's Noise Ordinance. Adherence to the City's Noise Ordinance will continue to be a measure to restrict noise and vibration generation resulting from the future operations. Moreover, it is anticipated that future hotel management will implement the necessary live activity restrictions and policies to prevent guests from being exposed to vibration disturbances during sensitive hours. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation Measures: None

c)	A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinit above levels existing without the project?	-		\boxtimes	
	Discussion:				
attribu daily v Drive also be perman	term increases in noise resulting from the ted to mobile sources along the access rose rehicle trips along the local access roadward to the east, are expected to result in an increative attributed to vehicular circulation within the hotel operations are not expected to Less than significant impacts are anticipated.	adways in lys, Moron cremental n the exis o contribu	the Project area. go Road to the no increase in ambie ting commercial	Project-related orth and South nt noise. Amb plaza parking	l generation of Palm Canyon ient noise will lot areas. The
	Mitigation Measures: None				
d)	A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the project vicinity above levels existing without the project?			\boxtimes	
	Discussion:				

Project implementation would result in short-term increases in noise levels during construction of the proposed project. However, the City's Municipal Code limits the time period that construction activities may occur, as specified by the City's Noise Control Ordinance. Construction is expected to occur only during the less sensitive daylight hours, when construction noise is less perceptible.

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The proposed hotel and supporting facilities will be situated within an existing establishment that has previously been permitted to accommodate live music entertainment in a pool area enclosed by a wall and landscaping. These visitor accommodations have resulted in periodic events that result in noise increases during established hours. However, these events have been subject to compliance with the City's Noise Ordinance. It is expected that if future live entertainment activities resume at the complex and outside of the proposed hotel, they will be subject to all established ordinances pertaining to noise. Coordination will be required to ensure that the premises and events conform to all applicable regulations of the Palm Springs Zoning Ordinance, including matters pertaining to the City's Noise Ordinance. Independent of the periodic live events, the proposed hotel will operate with a management team with the task of implementing the appropriate activity restrictions and policies to prevent excessive temporary, periodic, or impulsive noise increases and to maintain an inviting setting for guests and the surroundings. The City of Palm Springs has the authority to place and enforce restrictions on private activities that generate excessive or intrusive noise. With the required compliance, less than significant impacts are anticipated.

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	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 expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				
	Discussion:				
located Palm S	roject is located approximately 2.2 miles doutside of the 70, 65 and 60 CNEL noise of Springs Airport Land Use Plan does not identificant impacts are expected. Mitigation Measures: None	contours associ	ated with this t	facility. Further	more, the
f)	For a project within the vicinity of a private airstrip, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?				\boxtimes
	Discussion:				
The pr	oject is not located within the vicinity of a p	rivate airstrip.	No impacts are	e expected	
	Mitigation Measures: None				

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XIII. F	POPULATION AND HOUSING – W	ould the proje	ect:			
a)	Induce substantial population growth is an area, either directly (for example, b proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through ext of roads or other infrastructure)?	у			\boxtimes	
	Discussion:					
construimplen them whotel's of any and is employ compo	The project applicant seeks an amendment to the existing Planned Development Permit (PDP 131) to construct a 66-room, 3-story hotel adjacent to the former Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. Project implementation would involve removing the existing bocce courts adjacent to the pool and replacing them with the 29,172 square foot hotel. The west side of the restaurant will be remodeled to house the notel's lobby, meeting space and back of house facilities. The project does not include the construction of any new residential units. The project complies with the existing zoning and surrounding land uses and is expected to be developed in a single phase and provide employment to approximately 40 employees. The proposed project may encourage relocation for employment; however, the number of employees would be relatively minor. As previously stated, the project does not have a residential component and no new extensions of roads or other infrastructure will be associated with the project. Therefore, no impacts to population growth are anticipated.					
	Mitigation Measures: None					
b)	Displace substantial numbers of existi housing, necessitating the construction replacement housing elsewhere?				\boxtimes	
	Discussion:					
Zoning on the	oject site is located in the northeast con g for commercial use and is part of the project site and the project does no action of replacement housing. No impa	Plaza del Sol: t propose any	shopping center. The residential uses the	ere are no resid nat would nece	ential uses ssitate the	
	Mitigation Measures: None					
c)	Displace substantial numbers of peopl necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?	е,			\boxtimes	
	Discussion:					
no resi	oposed project will not involve demoli- dential properties or complexes on the ore, no impacts are anticipated.		_			
	Mitigation Measures: None					

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XIV. PUBLIC SERVICES					
a) 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 concause significant environmental impact in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times or other perform objectives for any of the public service	or I uld ts, ance				
Fire protection?			\boxtimes		
Discussion:					
The Palm Springs Fire Department (PSFD) provides a full range of fire protection services 24 hours a day 7 days a week. The department operates four fire stations that cover 96 square miles with a daily staff of 16 firefighters. The stations are strategically located throughout the City to maintain the standard response time of five minutes or less. The nearest station to the project site is Station No. 444, located at 1300 S. La Verne Way and is approximately 1.4 miles away. This station primarily covers the south portion of the city and per communication with PSFD, would be the first responder to the project site. This station is equipped with two fire engines and one quick attack; the station is staffed with one firefighter, one engineer and one Captain. The PSFD also maintains cooperative mutual aid agreements with Cal/Fire and Cathedral City Fire Department, to assist in suppressing fire or controlling emergency incidents. Mutual-aid is an agreement among emergency responders to lend assistance across jurisdictions provided resources are available and is not to the detriment of their own service areas.					
The proposed hotel will increase the demand for fire services; however, due to the close proximity of fire services to the project site, and the projects various points of access, adequate response times of 5-minutes or less would be met.					
The project will be required to implements all shall be reviewed and approved by City and F result of project implementation. Therefore, le	ire officials t	o ensure adequate fi	re service and		
Mitigation Measures: None					
Police protection?			\boxtimes		
Discussion:					
Police services are provided to the City by the currently has 93 sworn police officer position		-	•	-	

sergeants, and 72 officers. The PSPD is headquartered at 200 South Civic Drive and also has a

Downtown substation for bicycle patrol at 105 S. Indian Canyon Drive.

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The project proposes a 3-story, 66-unit hotel room which would increase the demand for police services; however, this demand is not expected to hinder the City's ability to provide police protection and emergency services. The project provides emergency vehicle access points, and ample lighting. Additionally, it will be designed with defensible space components which will aid with the security of the project. Furthermore, the project design will undergo review by City and Police staff to ensure adequate service and service times are met. Therefore, less than significant impacts are anticipated.

Mitigation Measures: None				
Schools?			\boxtimes	
Discussion: The proposed project lies within the Palm Sp the project would not create a direct demand funit hotel, employment generated by the proje new residents that would generate school age will not add to the demand of school services,	or school servet would not the children requirement of the children requirement of the project	ices. The project oe expected to c ring public edu oponent will pa	et is proposing lraw a substant cation. Although y the required	a 3-story, 66- ial number of gh the project developer fee
in place at the time of permits to PSUSD. Less	than significa	nt impacts to sc	hool services a	re expected.
Mitigation Measures: None				
Parks?				\boxtimes
Discussion:				
The City of Palm Springs owns and maintains specialty parks, local parks and neighborhood project proposes a 3-story, 66-room hotel, a Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. The pool with proposed project would not create additional comodify existing or the construction of new park	od and command would in Il be available lemand for pu	unity parks. A corporate the esto hotel guests blic park facilit	s previously dexisting pool of and open to the ies, nor result is	liscussed, the of the former to public. The in the need to
Mitigation Measures: None				
Other public facilities?				\boxtimes
Discussion: No increase in demand for government serv discussed in this section. No impacts are expec Mitigation Measures: None		public facilitie	s is expected	beyond those

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XV. RECREATION				
a) Would the project increase the u of existing neighborhood and re parks or other recreational facili that substantial physical deterior of the facility would occur or be accelerated?	egional ities such			\boxtimes
Discussion:				
As previously discussed the project procommercial and residential uses. No resproject would not cause a substantial impacts related to the increased use of facilities are expected.	sidential land uses as l increase to the ex	re proposed and em isting neighborhoo	ployment gener ds or regional	ated by the parks. No
Mitigation Measures: None				
b) Does the project include recreat facilities or require the constructor expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse pheeffect on the environment?	tion ilities			\boxtimes
Discussion:				
The construction of the hotel within the facility. No construction or expansimplementation and not impacts are anti-	sion of other recr			
Mitigation Measures: None				
XVI. TRANSPORTATION/TRAFFI	C Would the proje	ect:		
a) Cause an increase in traffic values substantial in relation to the traffic load and capacity of the system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in the number of verthe volume to capacity ratio or congestion at intersection	existing he street antial chicle trips, on roads,		\boxtimes	
•	s):	لــا		
Discussion:			T7	
According to the Belardo Hotel Project proposed development is projected to procur during the morning peak hour and	generate approximat	ely 589 daily vehic	ele trips, 45 of	•

The proposed Hotel development is expected to result in an increase in the use of local circulation system compared to the current inactive condition of the Hacienda Cantina & Beach Club. However the

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proposed project will be located within an existing commercial center and will repurpose a previously active restaurant into the hotel lobby, restaurant and meeting rooms. The Focused Traffic Analysis indicates that the study area intersections are currently operating at acceptable levels of service (LOS) and will continue to operate at acceptable levels following construction of the project.

The Focused Traffic Analysis provides the following adjacent roadway improvement recommendations that reflect standard conditions:

Construct South Palm Canyon Drive from Morongo Road to Sonora Road at its ultimate half-section width as a Major Thoroughfare (100 foot right-of-way) including landscaping and parkway improvements in conjunction with development, as necessary.

Construct Morongo Road from the west project boundary to South Palm Canyon Drive at its ultimate half section width as a Collector (60 to 66 foot right-of-way) including landscaping and parkway improvements in conjunction with development at necessary.

The Traffic Analysis additionally states that as is the case for any roadway design, the City of Palm Springs should periodically review traffic operations in the vicinity of the project once the project is constructed to assure that the traffic operations are satisfactory.

Improvement plans will be reviewed and approved by the City of Palm Springs prior to issuance of the grading permit. Following implementation of standard conditions impacts are anticipated to be less than significant.

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b)	Exceed, either individually or cumulative	ely,		
	a level of service standard established			
	by the county congestion management			
	agency for designated roads or			
	Highways?			\boxtimes

Discussion:

Mitigation Measures: None

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.

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As mentioned previously, the Focused Traffic Analysis indicates that the study area intersections are currently operating at acceptable levels of service (LOS) and will continue to operate at acceptable levels following construction of the project. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

	Mi	tigation Measures: None				
	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?				\boxtimes
	Dis	scussion:				
pattern the fac includi Spring	s or iliti ng s In	sed project is not of such a size or natural a change in traffic location. The development of operations of regional airports, and an increase in traffic levels. The project iternational Airport. The proposed development and safety risks. No impacts are anticipated.	ment of the levillenotes located in ment will	e proposed pro result in a cha more than 2 m	ject will have ange in air tra iles southwes	e no impact on affic patterns, st of the Palm
	Mi	tigation Measures: None				
d)	des dar	ostantially increase hazards due to a sign feature (e.g., sharp curves or agerous intersections) or incompatible as (e.g., farm equipment)?			\boxtimes	
	Dis	scussion:				
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The project site plan has been incorporated into an existing Commercial development and has been designed according to City standards. It provides a private internal circulation system without sharp curves or dangerous intersections that is subject to review and approval by the City Traffic Engineer during standard City review processes. The project entry consists of a two existing primary access points. The northern access is provided on Morongo Road, while the eastern boundary provides the 2nd primary access on South Palm Canyon Drive. Automobiles would be the main vehicle type generated by the project, which is consistent with the existing traffic in the area. Consequently, the project design will not substantially increase vehicular hazards.

City design guidelines will be considered for the development of the proposed project not to create a substantial increase in hazards due to a design feature. As indicated within the Focused Traffic Analysis, site distance at the project accesses shall comply with standard California Department of Transportation and City pf Palm Springs site distance standards. The final grading, landscaping and street improvement plans shall demonstrate that site distance standards are met. Such plans must be reviewed by the City and approved prior to issuance of grading permits.

Proposed parking and circulation plans will be reviewed by the Fire and Police Departments to assure that driveways and roads are adequate for emergency vehicles. A construction plan will be required to

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assure that the project does not interfere with emergency access during construction activities. Less than significant impacts are expected.

	Mitigation Measures: None				
e)	Result in inadequate emergency access?			\boxtimes	
	Discussion:				
City's	project has been reviewed by the Palm Springs is review process. Access points comply with earlie design by these agencies insure that ficant.	emergency a	ccess require	ements. Review	and approval
conju	entioned in the Focused Traffic Analysis, on nction with detailed construction plans for s elements, less than significant impacts are an	the project	- ·	_	-
	Mitigation Measures: None				
p p	Conflict with adopted policies, plans, or programs regarding public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities, or otherwise decrease the performance or safety of such facilities?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The project is not expected to conflict with the adopted policies, plans or programs regarding public transit, bicycle or pedestrian facilities.

SunLine Transit operates bus routes along South Palm Canyon Drive and will provide public transit access to the proposed project. The use of local transit services by future project users is expected to be a less than significant impact. The project design is not anticipated to decrease the performance or safety of public transit, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities.

The proposed project would improve pedestrian mobility by incorporating internal sidewalks and pedestrian walkways within the project site. These would be reviewed and constructed in conformance with City safety standards.

These and other improvements resulting from the project are expected to enhance, rather than obstruct or conflict with, the City's established goals on bicycle transportation or with any existing facilities. Less than significant impacts are anticipated.

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XVII. UTILITIES AND SERVICE SYSTE	EMS Would	the project:		
a) Exceed wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Region Water Quality Control Board?	al 🗌		\boxtimes	
Discussion:				
The project falls under the Desert Water Aga provided to the project area by DWA. The property a 24" sewer main located in S. Palm Canyo Veolia North America for wastewater treatment plant, five pump statio 66-room hotel with parking facilities and a regenerated by the project is expected to be requirements of the State Regional Water Quaddition, City and other local and government and applicable wastewater treatment requirements.	oject is current on Drive along ment. The con ns and 265 minor modific e minimal and ality Control Ental agency re-	ly served by existing the project fronts in pany operates a lile collection systemation of the existing discount (SRWQCB) (wiew will ensure contents)	ng infrastructure age. DWA con 10.9-MGD tric m. The project g restaurant. Veed wastewater Colorado River compliance with	e served by tracts with kling-filter proposes a Wastewater treatment Basin). In all current
Mitigation Measures: None				
b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities or expansion of which could cause significant environmental effects?	lities,			
Discussion:				
Desert Water Agency (DWA) provides dom The site is currently utilized as the Plaza del project proposes to connect to the existing inf to ensure wastewater capacity and complia Additionally, sewer installation, and conne collected by DWA. No new or expan implementation. Less than significant impacts	Sol shopping frastructure and noce with the oction fees in ded treatmen	center and is served f will undergo revie current wastewater place at the time t facilities are a	I by existing ut by DWA and treatment req of developme anticipated from	ilities. The d City staff uirements. nt will be
Mitigation Measures: None				
c) Require or result in the construction of new stormwater drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects?	of		\boxtimes	
Discussion:	. ~			
The City of Palm Springs and the Riversic	ie County Flo	od Control Distric	et are responsib	ole for the

management of regional drainage in the area, including streams, tributaries, and areas that experience

significant sheet flow flooding. Both entities are authorized to conduct flood control planning and

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construction of drainage improvements. The City of Palm Springs conducts flood control in accordance with its Master Drainage Plan. According to FIRM panel 06065C1566G, effective August 28, 2008, the entire project and its immediate surroundings are located in an area subject to the 0.2 percent annual chance flood (Zone X Shaded). Based on the FIRM definition, this zone applies to areas protected from the 1-percent-annual-chance flood by a levee, areas within the 0.2-percent-annual-chance floodplain, areas of the 1-percent-annual-chance flooding where average depths are less than 1 foot, areas of 1-percent-annual-chance flooding where the contributing drainage area is less than 1 square mile. No Base Flood Elevations or depths are shown within this zone. Stormwater runoff generated by the project would be managed by a storm drainage system that ties into existing facilities within the City's Master Drainage Plan. The proposed improvement plans will be subject to agency review and approval to ensure that the proposed grading and drainage conditions are acceptable to the City standards. Therefore, less than significant impacts are expected.

	Mitigation Measures: None			
d)	Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project from existing entitlements and resources, or are new or expanded entitlements needed?		\boxtimes	
	Discussion:			

The Desert Water Agency is the primary domestic water supplier for the City of Palm Springs. DWA currently provides potable water to the City of Palm Springs and the project site. DWA operates 29 wells and 359 miles of pipeline and serves about 71,000 people. The agency utilizes 28 reservoirs with the capacity to store 59 million gallons. Project implementation of 66 hotel rooms, parking lot facilities, and modifications to the existing restaurants will result in an incremental increase in the use of water resources. The proposed hotel will connect into existing infrastructure without the need for off-site line extensions, and the project will comply with the existing water management program in place. Therefore, no new infrastructure will be required as a result of project implementation and less than significant impacts are expected.

Mitigation Measures: None e) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?

As discussed previously, the project will receive sanitary sewer service from the City of Palm Springs. The project will connect to existing infrastructure in the area; wastewater is transported to Veolia North America's treatment plant at 4375 E. Mesquite Drive. This facility operates a 10.9 MGD trickling-filter wastewater treatment plant, five pump stations and 265 mile collection system. Service demand generated by the proposed project is expected to be incremental and not anticipated to significantly

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impact the demand for wastewater treatment. Sewer connection fees and other facility fees would be collected to aid in financing any needed capacity solutions. Therefore, less than significant impacts are anticipated.

	Mitigation Measures: None				
f)	Be served by a landfill with sufficient permitted capacity to accommodate the project's solid waste disposal needs?			\boxtimes	
Solid v	scussion: waste disposal and recycling services for total Services. Waste collected from the pro-	•		-	
Station. Waste from the Edom Hill Transfer Station is currently transported to the Lambs Canyon Landfill. The Lambs Canyon Landfill is permitted by the California Department of Resources Recycling and Recovery to accept 5,000 tpd of solid waste. The Lambs Canyon Landfill has a permitted total capacity of 33,041,000 cubic yards with an estimated permitted closure date of April, 2021. Less than significant impacts are anticipated as a result of project implementation.					
	Mitigation Measures: None				
g)	Comply with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations related to solid waste?				

Discussion:

The City of Palm Springs has a franchise agreement with Palm Springs Disposal Services to serve the solid waste disposal needs of the City, including this project. All solid waste activities are carried out in compliance with the State, Federal and local statues regulating solid waste. The project is not anticipated to hinder or impede future compliance. Temporary construction activities are also regulated by federal, state and local statutes and are expected to abide by these requirements. No impacts are expected relative to solid waste statutes and regulations.

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

No Impact

XVIII. MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE:

a) Does the project have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory?

Discussion:

As concluded in the Biological and Cultural Resources sections of this document, the proposed project expansion would result in no impacts or less than significant impacts to these resources. The project is compatible with the City of Palm Springs General Plan land use designation and its surroundings. The project will not significantly degrade the overall quality of the region's environment, or substantially reduce the habitat of a wildlife species, case a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare of endangered plant or animal or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory. No impacts are expected.

Mitigation Measures: None

b) Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? ("Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects)?

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Discussion:

The proposed project and its location is found to be adequate and consistent with existing federal, state and local policies and is a consistent land use with the City of Palm Springs General Plan and Zoning. Approval and implementation of the proposed project will result in less than significant impacts related to cumulatively considerable impacts.

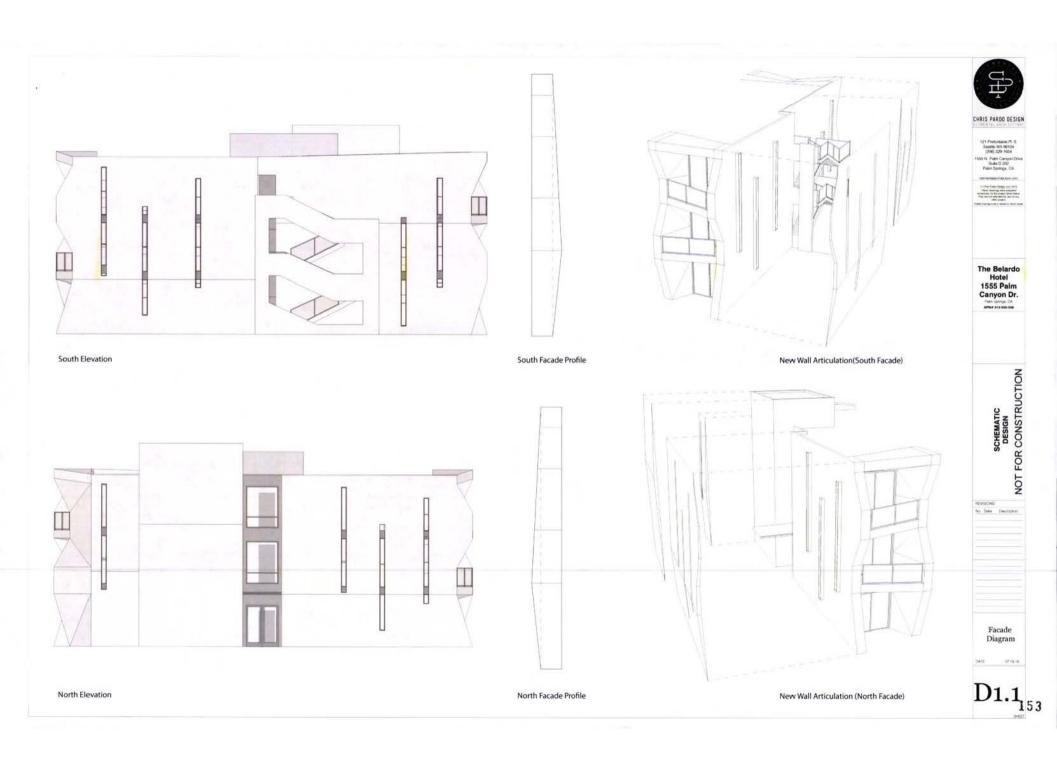
		Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated	Less Than Significant Impact	No Impact
c)	Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?			\boxtimes	

Discussion:

The proposed project will not result in impacts related to environmental effects that will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings. The project has been designed to comply with established design guidelines and current building standards. The City's review process will ensure that applicable guidelines are being followed. Standard conditions and project design features incorporated into the project will reduce impacts to less than significant.

Attachment 9







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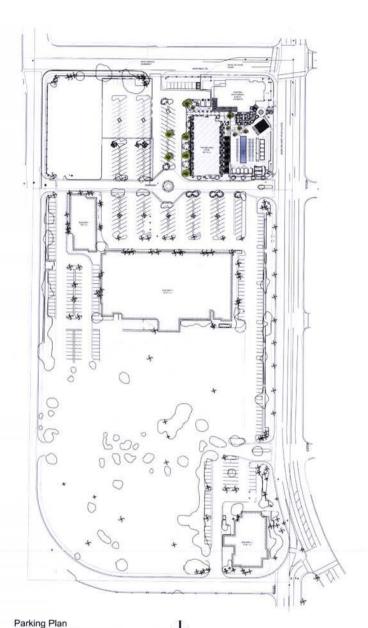
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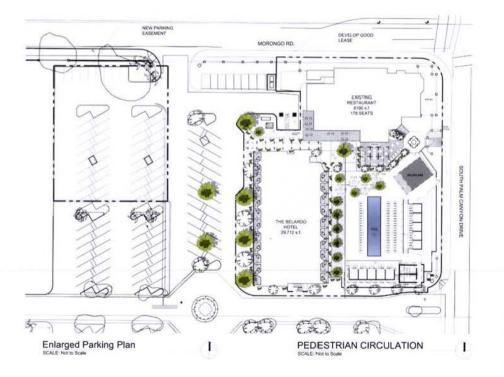
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Overall Project Data - The Belardo Hotel

OVERALL PROJECT AREA: 756,205 Sq. Ft. (17.4 ACRES) BUILDING FOOTPRINT: 10,277 Sq. Ft. 8,190 Sq. Ft. 9501 HOTEL EXISTING RESTAURANT EXISTING RESTAURAN EXISTING BUILDING 1 EXISTING BUILDING 2 EXISTING BUILDING 3 58,031 12,081 TOTAL BUILDING FOOTPRINT 98,080 Sq. Ft. 13% STREETS AND DRIVES: 234,406 Sq. Ft. 31% OPEN SPACE: 298,412 Sq. Ft. 39% LANDSCAPE: 69,600 Sq. Ft. 9% HARDSCAPE: 55,802 Sq. Ft.





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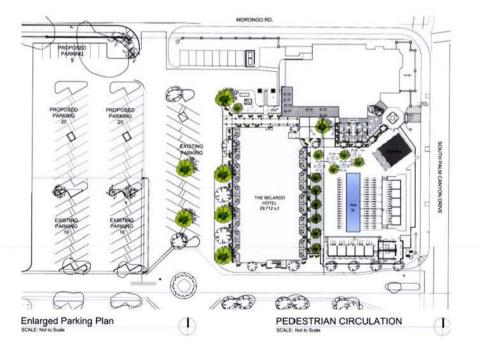


Parking Study - The Belardo Hotel

Mixed - use Developments (with a gross floor area exceeding twenty thousand (20,000) square feet, including retail but excepting the CBC zone). One (1) space for each two hundred and fifty (250) square feet of gross floor area. Additional parking need to be provided for restaurants; provided that, no more than twenty - five (25) percent of the total floor area of the whole complex is devoted to restaurant use.

The percentage of floor area devoted to restaurant uses without additional parking may be increased by the planning commission where it finds that the nature of the use will not require increased parking, that other adequate arrangements exist to satisfy the parking demand or that other similar factors exist.

Hotel: 66 Rooms	
-First 50 rooms: 1 Space per each room	50
-Remaining Rooms (16):	12
Total	62 Spaces
Commercial Space: 1 Space per 250 gross floor area @ 87,803	351
0	222
Required Parking (See above):	413
Current number of parking spaces:	401
Parking Spaces Added:	49
Parking Spaces Removed:	8
Total Parking Spaces when complete:	442 Spaces



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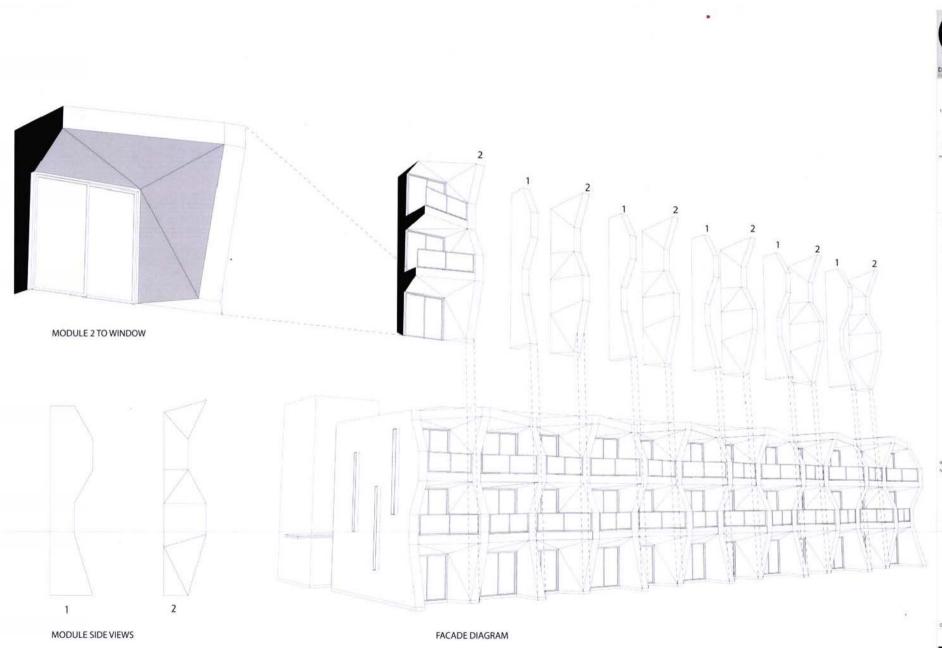
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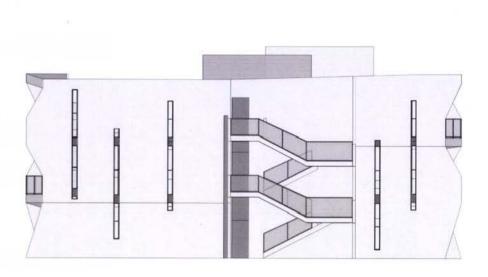
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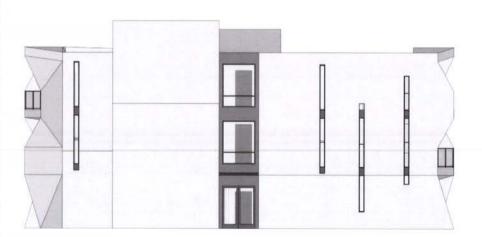
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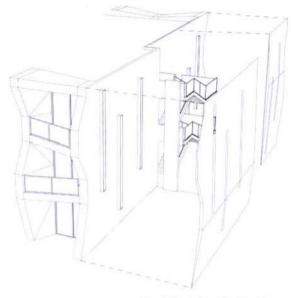
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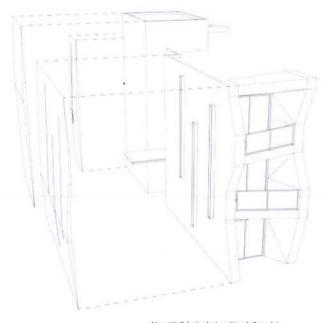
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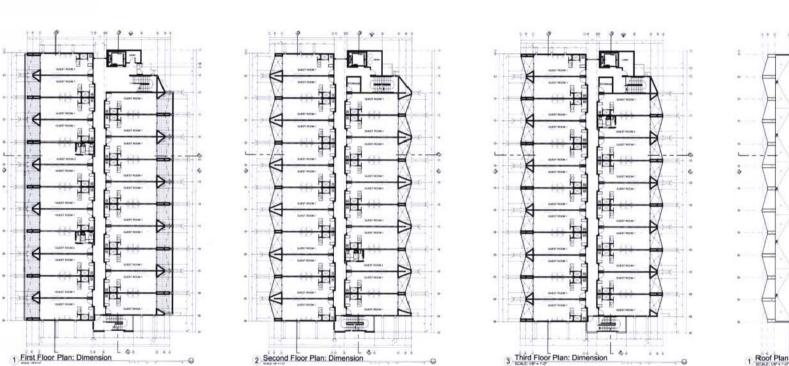
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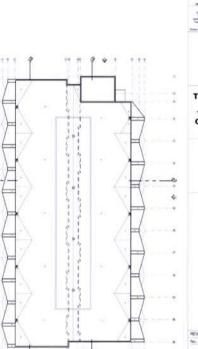
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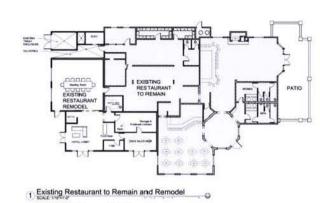
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Enlarged Floor



Existing to Remain: 5,890 sqft
Existing to be remodeled: 2,578 sqft
Total 8,468 sqft



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1 The Belardo Hotel - North Elevation



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The Belardo Hotel - West Elevation

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1 The Belardo Hotel - South Side Section



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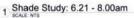
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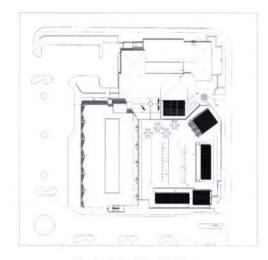


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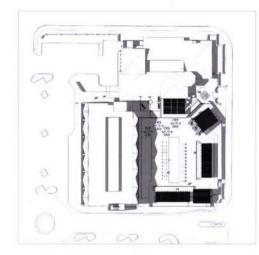
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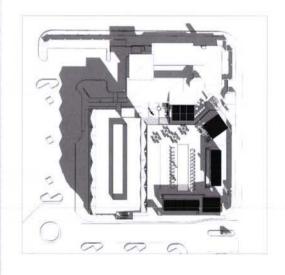




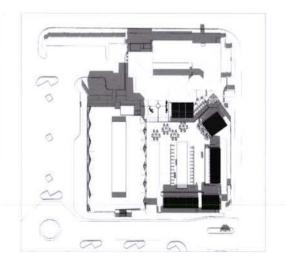
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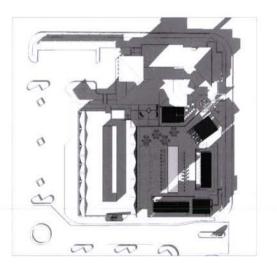
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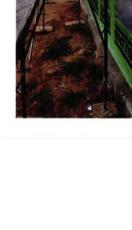














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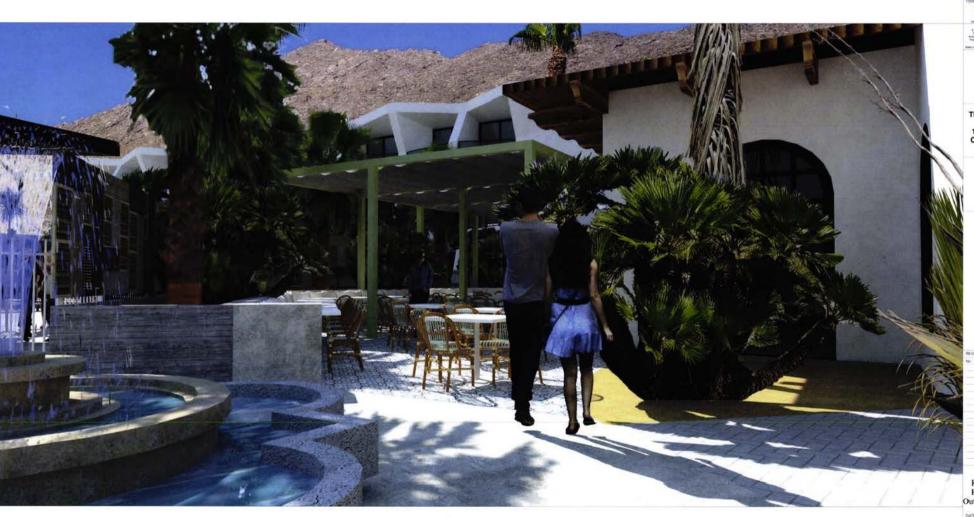




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Rendering: Restaurant Outdoor Dining



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Rendering: Pool Area



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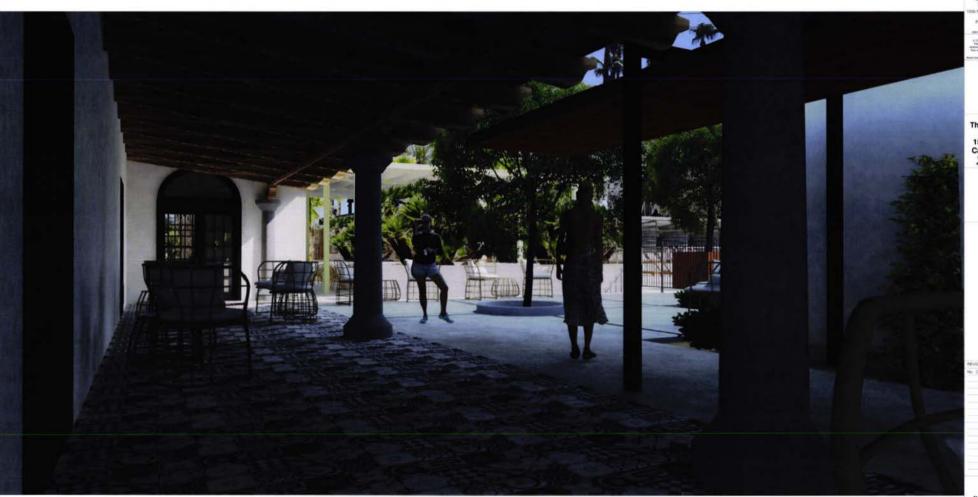
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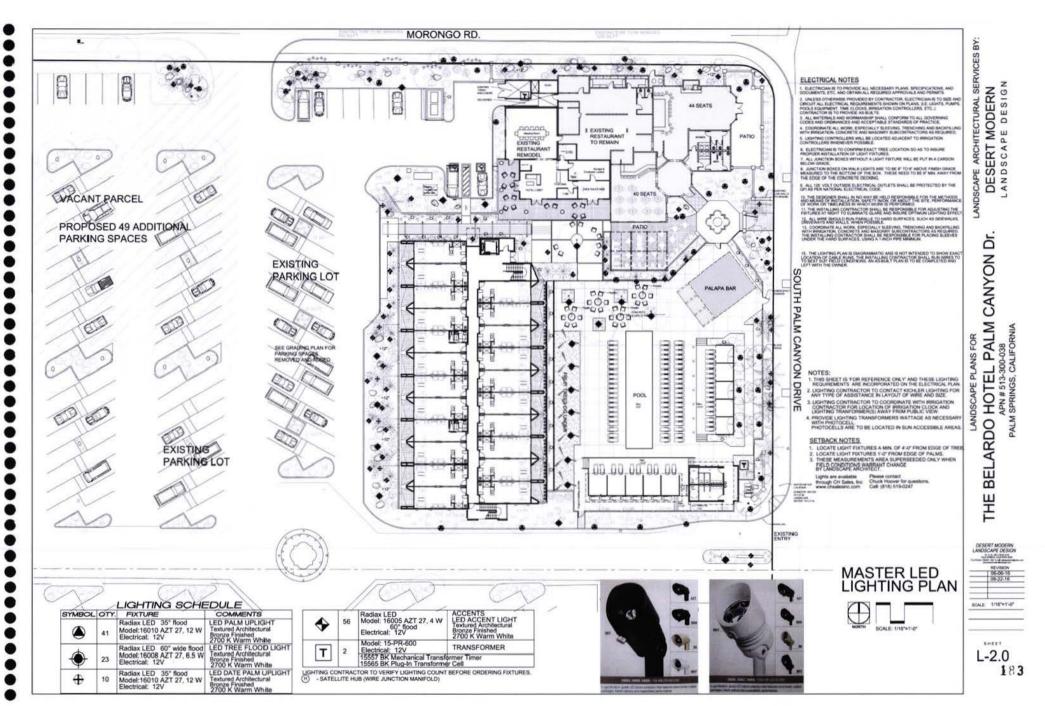
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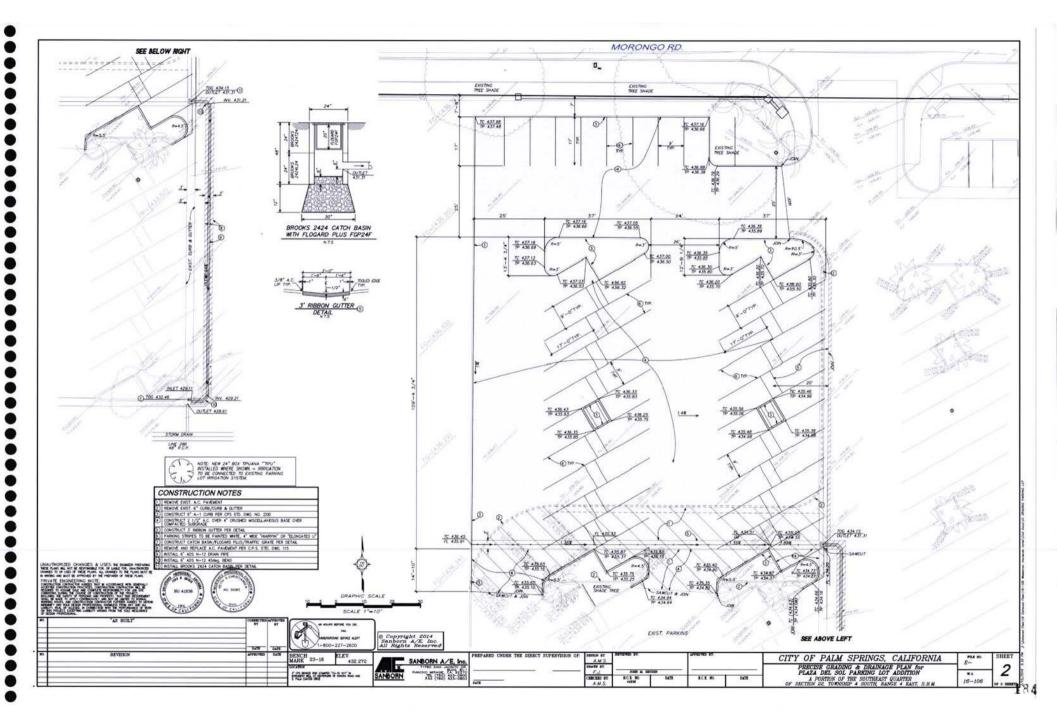
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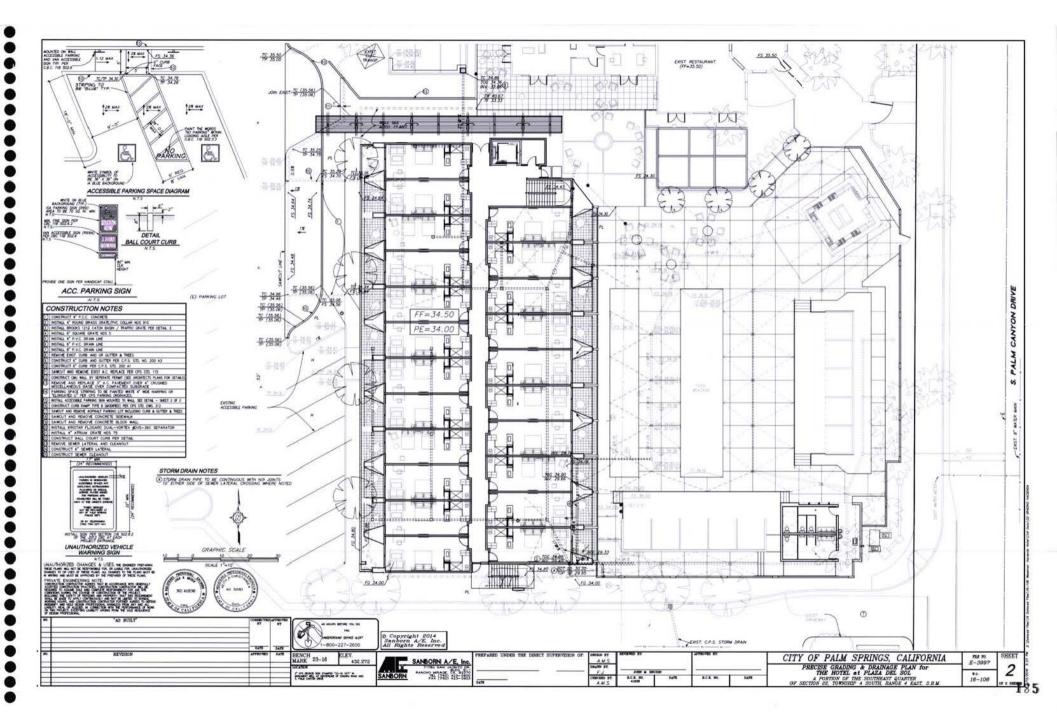
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CITY OF PALM SPRINGS PUBLIC NOTIFICATION



Date:

October 5, 2016

Subject:

Belardo Hotel

AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION

I, Kathie Hart, MMC, Chief Deputy City Clerk, of the City of Palm Springs, California, do hereby certify that a copy of the attached Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Desert Sun on September 24, 2016.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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Kathie Hart, MMC

Chief Deputy City Clerk

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I, Kathie Hart, MMC, Chief Deputy City Clerk, of the City of Palm Springs, California, do hereby certify that a copy of the attached Notice of Public Hearing was posted at City Hall, 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Drive, on the exterior legal notice posting board, and in the Office of the City Clerk on September 22, 2016.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Kathie Hart, MMC

Chief Deputy City Clerk

AFFIDAVIT OF MAILING

I, Kathie Hart, MMC, Chief Deputy City Clerk, of the City of Palm Springs, California, do hereby certify that a copy of the attached Notice of Public Hearing was mailed to each and every person on the attached list on September 22, 2016, in a sealed envelope, with postage prepaid, and depositing same in the U.S. Mail at Palm Springs, California. (81 notices)

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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Kathie Hart, MMC

Chief Deputy City Clerk



City of Palm Springs

Office of the City Clerk 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

Telephone: 760-323-8204 ~ Fax: 760-322-8332 Email: Kathie.Hart@palmspringsca.gov

MEMORANDUM

Date:

September 22, 2016

To:

Brenda Diaz

Bureau of Indian Affairs

Fax (760) 416-2687

From:

Kathie Hart, MMC

Chief Deputy City Clerk Office of the City Clerk

Subject:

Allotment Numbers for Public Hearing Notice

Case 3.3937 MAJ - Belardo Hotel

Here are Public Hearing notices to be sent to the appropriate Indian landowners within a 500' radius of the project location.

The allotment numbers corresponding with the APN numbers are as follows:

APN	Allotment Number
513-300-027	6B
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513-300-045	17C
513-300-061	18B / 6B

I have enclosed these notices for distribution and your file, but should you require more notices, please let me know.

Thank you for your continuous help and cooperation.

Enclosures: notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY COUNCIL CITY OF PALM SPRINGS

CASE 3.3937 MAJ & 5.0177 PDD-131 AMEND BELARDO HOTEL WITHIN THE PLAZA DEL SOL SHOPPING CENTER DEVELOP GOOD, LLC ON BEHALF OF JOHN WESSMAN 1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Palm Springs, California, will hold a public hearing at its meeting of October 5, 2016. The City Council meeting begins at 6:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber at City Hall, 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way, Palm Springs.

The purpose of this hearing is to consider a request by Develop Good, LLC for a Major Architectural Application (MAJ) and an Amendment to an established Planned Development District (PDD-131) to construct a 66-room hotel at the northeast corner of the Plaza Del Sol Shopping Center located at 1555 South Palm Canyon Drive, Zone PD-131, I.L. The three-story hotel will be 34-feet in height and approximately 29,712-square feet in size. Relief from minimum open space requirements is requested.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: An environmental assessment has been prepared under the guidelines of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and a Negative Declaration has been proposed.

REVIEW OF PROJECT INFORMATION: The staff report and other supporting documents regarding this are available for public review at City Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m., Monday through Thursday. Please contact the Office of the City Clerk at (760) 323-8204 if you would like to schedule an appointment to review these documents.

COMMENT ON THIS APPLICATION: Response to this notice may be made verbally at the Public Hearing and/or in writing before the hearing. Written comments may be made to the City Council by email at cityclerk@palmsprings-ca.gov, or letter (for mail or hand delivery) to:

James Thompson, City Clerk 3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

Any challenge of the proposed project in court may be limited to raising only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City Clerk at, or prior, to the public hearing. (Government Code Section 65009(b)(2).

An opportunity will be given at said hearing for all interested persons to be heard. Questions regarding this case may be directed to David A. Newell, Associate Planner, at (760) 323-8245.

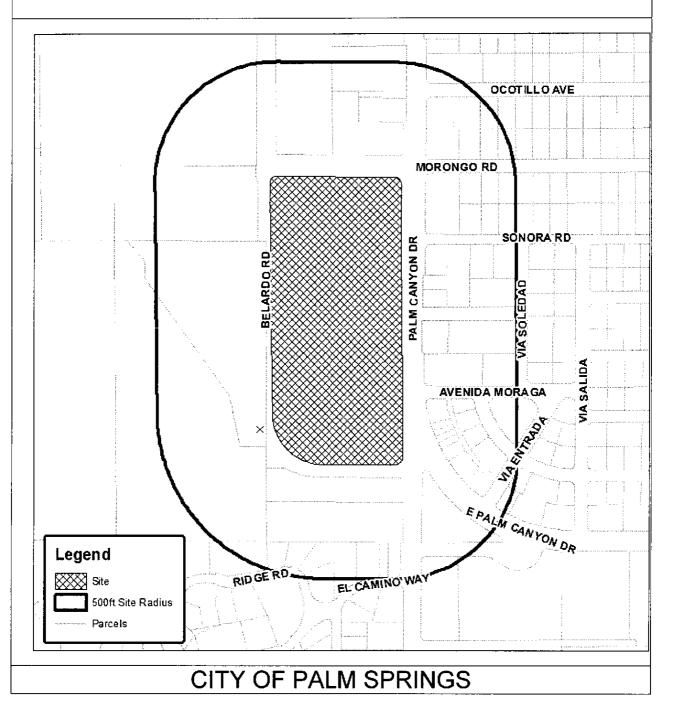
Si necesita ayuda con esta carta, por favor llame a la Ciudad de Palm Springs y puede hablar con Felipe Primera telefono (760) 323-8253.

James Thompson, City Clerk



Department of Planning Services Vicinity Map





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1555 SOUTH PALM CANYON DRIVE