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June 25, 2009

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Lori A. Arena

Environmental Analyst
8690 Balboa Avenue, Suite 200
San Diego, CA 92123

Re: The Diamond Specific Plan, City of Lake Elsinore

Thank you for allowing the Riverside County Fire Department the opportunity to comment on The Diamond Specific Plan project.

With respect to the referenced project, the Riverside County Fire Department has the following comments and a response to your questions.

1. Name and location of the station(s) that would serve the project site.

The proposed project land use would be a Category 1 – Heavy Urban. The 3 nearest Fire Stations that would respond to an incident are:

RCO Station # 94, Canyon Hills, 21775 Railroad Canyon Rd, Lake Elsinore, CA

RCO Station # 10, Elsinore, 410 W. Graham Av., Lake Elsinore, CA

RCO Station # 61, Wildomar, 32637 Gruwell St., Canyon Lake, CA

2. Please describe the existing staff levels and equipment at the station(s)?

All the above mentioned RCO Fire Stations are staffed full-time, 24 hours/7 days a week, with a minimum 3 person crew, including Paramedics, operating “Type-1” structural fire fighting apparatus.

Station # 10 Elsinore, has two Cal Fire Type III engines staffed with one Fire Captain or Fire Apparatus Engineer and three firefighters during declared fire season.

3. What is the average response time to the site from the fire station(s)?

From the above listed fire stations, the first unit should arrive within 3-4 minutes after dispatch, the second within 4-5 minutes and the third between 7-8 minutes. These times are approximate.

4. Are current staff levels (and equipment) at these stations sufficient to meet existing demands for fire and emergency medical services?

Current minimum staffing levels of 3 persons per responding unit presently meet existing demands.

5. Can the stations handle this increase in services or would additional services be required? If so, what additional services would be needed (i.e. additional staff, vehicles, etc.)?

As with any additional construction within a response area, a “cumulative” increase in requests for service will add to the Fire Department’s ability to provide adequate service. Mitigation measures, as defined by the City of Lake Elsinore, should be considered in order to help reduce these impacts to a level below significance. Examples of mitigation measures might include:

- Developer participation in land acquisition and fire facility construction;
- Equipment upgrade and/or purchase;
- Participation in a fire mitigation fee program which would allow one-time capitol improvements such as land and equipment purchases, and construction development.
- Participation in the cost of adding additional personnel.

6. What are the fire flow requirements for the project site?

All water mains and fire hydrants providing required fire flows shall be constructed in accordance with the appropriate sections of Riverside County Ordinance No. 460 and/or No. 787, subject to review and approval by the Riverside County Fire Department.

Fire flow requirements within commercial projects are based on **square footage and type of construction** of the structures. The minimum fire flow for **any** commercial structure is **1500** gallons per minute, at a residual operating pressure of 20-psi, and can rise to **8000** gallons per minute, (per Table A-III of the California Fire Code).

7. Does the project site provide adequate primary and secondary access for fire department vehicles? Yes

The access appears adequate from the revised Proposed Circulation Network Figure 2.3-4, that was submitted June 15, 2009.

8. Are there any Riverside County Fire Department impact fees that the project will be subject to?

The applicant shall comply with the provisions of the County Development Impact Fee (DIF) Ordinance (Ord. 659), which requires a fee payment that the County applies to the funding of public facilities, including fire protection.

The California Fire Code outlines fire protection standards for the safety, health, and welfare of the public. These standards will be enforced by the Fire Chief.

If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me at (951) 940-6349 or e-mail at jason.neumann@fire.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Jason Neuman

Fire Captain

Strategic Planning Bureau



**Riverside County Sheriff's Department
Memorandum**

TO: Sgt Zelon

DATE: 05/06/09

FROM: CSO J. Brown *J. Brown*

Re: Diamond Specific Plan

Per your request, I looked into the plans for The Diamond area. Unfortunately, when I was in Crime Prevent I was assigned to the county area. The city was handled solely by CSO Elizabeth DeCou. I was not privy to the staffing levels of the City of Lake Elsinore. I am aware of the belief in the 1 deputy per 1000 citizen ratio, yet the city of Lake Elsinore contracts for hours, not deputies.

I apologize for the delay in the response to this request. I do not have much available time on watch 3 for these type of projects.

Just by looking at the numbers that CAU Mayes supplied, this project would rate the following responses.

#4 Are existing LEPD staff levels adequate to meet current demands for police protection services in the project area?

No.

#5 Does the proposed project present any unique law enforcement problems for LEPD?

That would be dependant upon what "entertainment" businesses are in the project area.

#6 Would the project require the LEPD to hire more officers and staff?

Yes.

#7 Would the project impact existing response times?

The area that this project is in is Zone 91, when we redistricted the zones these type of projects were taken into account. If LEPD staffed one deputy per each zone (excluding L-96 "On the water"), it is believed that this project would not impact response times. Yet, we have not met that staffing level for the incorporated area of Lake Elsinore.

The city of Lake Elsinore should request assistance from the city of Wildomar in placing permanent

signage on surface streets with direction to the Diamond and Interstate 15.

#8 Do you have any recommendations that might ensure that the proposed project would not “significantly” impact LEPD services?

A secondary access route to and from the location from the Interstate 15. A project this size running at near full capacity as well as the Stadium with an activity would most certainly over task Diamond Drive.

#9 Are there any LEPD impact fees that the project will be subject to?

That information is best requested through the Accounting personnel at the City and LEPD.

Respectfully

Jason Brown



Date: April 9th, 2009

To: Lieutenant Wilson

From: Michael Mayes

RE: The Diamond Specific Plan

I gathered information on the Diamond From March 1st, 2008 through March 31st, 2009. Here are the results.

Response Times

Priority 1 Calls: 3.33
Priority 2 Calls: 8.67
Priority 3 Calls: 18.80
Priority 4 Calls: 23.79

Crime Statistics

Homicide: 0
Forcible Rape: 0
Robbery: 0
Aggravated Assault: 1
Burglary: 0
Larceny Theft: 3
Auto Theft: 1
Arson: 0

Projected Population

The proposed project will have an average density of 18 dwelling units per acre (87.2 acres), totaling **1570 dwelling units**. Using an average of four individuals per unit, multiplied by the number of dwelling units equals **6,280**. Assuming that the 150 room hotel is at 75% capacity (100 rooms) at all times, and using an average of two individuals per room is an additional **200** people, for a population number of **6,480**.



March 31, 2009

Captain Joe Cleary
Lake Elsinore Police Department/ Sherriff's Station
333 Limited Avenue
Lake Elsinore, CA 92530
(951) 245-3300

RE: The Diamond Specific Plan

Dear Captain Cleary:

HDR Engineering, Inc. (HDR) is under contract to the City of Lake Elsinore to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed Diamond Specific Plan.

The project consists of approximately 87.2 acres south of Lakeshore Drive, and west of Diamond Drive in the City of Lake Elsinore (Figures 1 and 2). The project proposes a master planned mixed-use development of commercial, office, educational, entertainment and residential uses to establish a regional destination venue surrounding the Diamond Stadium (Figure 3). The proposed project will have an average density of 18 dwelling units per acre, 897,000 square feet of mixed use development, and an approximately 150 room hotel.

To complete the environmental review for the project, I will need the following information from the Lake Elsinore Police Department:

1. What is the address of the Lake Elsinore Police Department station(s) that would serve the project area?
2. Do you know the approximate response times for emergency and non-emergency calls in the project area?
3. Do you have current crime statistics for the project area (i.e. burglaries, car thefts, robberies, etc.)?
4. Are existing Lake Elsinore Police Department staff levels adequate to meet current demands for police protection services in the project area?
5. Does the proposed project present any unique law enforcement problems for the Lake Elsinore Police Department?
6. Would the project require the Lake Elsinore Police Department to hire more officers or staff?

Project: Diamond Specific Plan	Project No: 101221
Date: June 17, 2009	Subject: Lake Elsinore Police Department Will Serve
Call to: Deputy Dean, Lake Elsinore Police Dept	Phone No: 951-245-3300
Call from: Emily Lipoma	Phone No: 858-712-8352

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Discussion, Agreement and/or Action:

Station serving project site is 333 West Limited

No unique law enforcement problems foreseen

The LEPD holds a 1.5 per 1000 residents ratio, currently that ratio is met, if the project increases the population by more than 1,000, further personnel would be needed.

Project: Diamond Specific Plan EIR	Project No:
Date: Feb 16 2010	Subject: Public Services, Police Response
Call to: Emily Lipoma	Phone No: 858 712 8352
Call from: Deputy Dave Fonterell	Phone No: 951 245 3300

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Discussion, Agreement and/or Action:

Deputy Fonterell confirmed the current Lake Elsinore Police Department does meet the current response time of 5 minutes.

Project: Diamond Specific Plan	Project No: 101221
Date: June 17, 2009	Subject: Library Will Serve
Call to: Emily Lipoma	Phone No: 858-712-8352
Call from: Mark Smith, Riverside County Library System	Phone No: 951-369-3003 ext 227

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Discussion, Agreement and/or Action:

Mark Smith, Library Administrator

Which libraries would serve the project area: Lake Elsinore Library at 600 West Graham St and Lakeside Library

Lake Elsinore Library is 7,500 square feet with 66,879 items
Lakeside Library, which is a joint use/ shared facility with Lakeside High School (the Vick Knight Community Library) is 10,000 square feet with 25,060 items

The existing library facilities in the project area are adequate to meet current populations

Existing library facilities in the project area will be adequate to meet the future project demand

Mr. Smith does not have any recommendation that might help reduce any potential impacts to the libraries that would be generated as a result of the proposed project.

The Riverside Library system does not collect impact fees from projects in incorporated areas.

A new 25,000 square foot library in the Lake Elsinore area has been discussed, although it is currently on hold.



Reference: HDR Eng.

FAX MESSAGE



WASTE & RECYCLING SERVICES

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TO: MS. Emily Dipoma

COMPANY: HDR Engineering, Inc.

FAX NUMBER: (858) 712-8333

FROM: Urian Carrillo

MESSAGE: _____



CR&R

April 9, 2009

HDR Engineering, Inc.
Ms. Emily Lipoma
Environmental Analyst
8690 Balboa Avenue, Suite 200
San Diego, CA 92123

Re: The Diamond Specific Plan

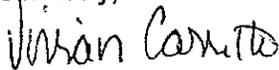
Dear Ms. Lipoma:

Please see below the information requested to complete the environmental review for the proposed project.

1. The name and location that would serve the project site for solid waste and recycling services would be CR&R Incorporated located at 1706 Goetz Road, Perris, CA 92570
2. The solid waste generation rate is 12.38 pounds per person / per day. The current city diversion rate is 50%.
3. CR&R Incorporated will have the capacity to accommodate the solid waste and recycling materials that will be generated by the proposed project.

If you should need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at (800) 755-8112, ext. 1310.

Sincerely,



Vivian Carrillo
Customer Service Supervisor

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May 14, 2009

Gas Co. Ref. No. RCO 6231

HDR Engineering, Inc.
8690 Balboa Avenue, Suite 200
San Diego, CA 92123

Attention: Lori A. Arena
Re: Will Serve – The Diamond Specific Plan
Area: Lake Elsinore, California

Thank you for inquiring about the availability of natural gas for your project. We are pleased to inform you that Southern California Gas Company has facilities in the area where the above-named project is proposed. Gas service to the project could be provided from the nearest existing, 4" in Lakeshore Dr. (cross of Diamond Dr.) The service would be in accordance with the Company's policies and extension rules on file with the California Public Utilities Commission at the time contractual arrangements are made.

This letter is not a contractual commitment to serve the proposed project, but is only provided as an informational service. The availability of natural gas service is based upon conditions of gas supply and regulatory agencies. As a public utility, Southern California Gas Company is under the jurisdiction of the California Public Utilities Commission. Our ability to serve can also be affected by actions of federal regulatory agencies. Should these agencies take any action, which affects gas supply, or the conditions under which service is available, gas service will be provided in accordance with revised conditions. This letter is also provided without considering any conditions or non-utility laws and regulations (such as environmental regulations) which could affect actual construction of a main or service line extension (for example, if hazardous wastes were encountered in the process of installing the line). Those, of course, can only be determined around the time contractual arrangements are made and construction is begun.

If you need assistance choosing the appropriate gas equipment for your project, or would like to discuss the most effective applications of energy efficiency techniques, please contact your area Project Manager at (909) 335-7656.

Thank you again for choosing clean, reliable, and safe natural gas, your best energy value.

Sincerely,

Lynn Gerlach
Technical Services Supervisor

Cc: Alan Keseloff, Project Manager
Enc./nl

May 11, 2009

HDR Engineering

SUBJECT: Will Serve Letter For: 87.2 acres south of Lakeshore Drive, and west of Diamond Drive in the City of Lake Elsinore.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the subject property is located within the service territory of the Southern California Edison Company (SCE) and that the electrical loads of the project are within parameters of projected load growth, which SCE is planning to meet in this area.

Our total system demand is expected to continue to increase annually; however, excluding any unforeseen problems, our plans for new distribution resources indicate that our ability to serve all customers' loads in accordance with our rules and tariffs will be adequate during the decade of the 2000's.

Current conservation efforts on the part of SCE customers have resulted in energy savings. Optimization of conservation measures in this project will contribute to the overall energy savings goal.

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to call me at (951)

Sincerely,

Tamara Berry

Tamara Berry
Service Planner