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Board of Directors County of Santa Cruz Redevelopment Agency 701 Ocean Street Santa Cruz, CA 95060

Parking License Agreement — Heart of Soquel Property

Dear Members of the Board:

Board members are aware that major construction will begin shortly on a two-year project to replace the Soquel Drive Bridge and construct streetscape improvements in Soquel Village. Even with all the efforts that have been taken to minimize the inconvenience to surrounding residents and businesses, the project will stress the area in terms of traffic circulation and congestion and general construction impacts.

One additional area of concern is how to provide a staging area for the contractor that minimizes impacts on surrounding businesses. The ideal staging area is the back of a property on the south side of Soquel Drive adjacent to Soquel Creek. The only difficulty with this site is that it presently is leased to the Soquel Post Office for employee and truck parking. In order to ensure that locating the staging area in that location does not cause undue impacts, we have been exploring options to provide alternative parking for the Post Office during construction.

We believe that the best alternative is to allow parking on a portion of the Agency-owned Heart of Soquel Property. You may recall that this property used to be a 18 unit mobile home park, but because of its location in the floodplain, the Agency has been reducing coaches on the site through attrition. The site currently contains three occupied mobile homes and five apartment units, leaving a large unoccupied portion of the property.

We have designed a temporary parking plan which would address the needs of the Post Office, while maintaining the privacy and parking for current tenants (Attachment 1). Tenants have been informed of the proposed parking arrangement and have not expressed any strong objections to the plan. It is essential that this plan be implemented in the near future, as the contractor plans to begin work shortly.

It is therefore RECOMMENDED that the Board authorize the RDA Administrator to negotiate and sign a parking license agreement with the Post Office to provide interim parking as illustrated in the attached drawing for the period of the upcoming Soquel Village construction project.

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Tom Burns

Redevelopment Agency Administrator

RECOMMENDED:

Susan A. Mauriello

Redevelopment Agency Director

Attachment

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