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October 8, 2009
Scott Kolwitz, Senior Planner
City of Goleta- Community Development Department
130 Cremona Drive
Goleta, CA 93117
Re: Fairview Gardens October Progress Report

Dear Scott:

The following is our September Progress Report for the Fairview Gardens CUP.

Post construction clean up continues. Concrete debris from the recent construction has been skillfully built into the walls of the rear ditch in preparation for the winter rains. Santa Barbara County Fire approved and free chips have nearly covered the new, ridge road to diminish the dust issue.

The exposed trash enclosure situated off-curb at the meeting of Stow Canyon and Via Fiori roads has been moved within the farm with the pre-approval of the trash and recycling company. A flower bed is planned for the old spot, improving the visual attractiveness of the farm entry.

The Executive Director's first meeting with the Development Committee occurred with an impetus to continue the Capital Campaign search for a consultant and forge ahead with growing a skilled committee.

A retreat was scheduled for mid-October with a focus of designing a new six-month plan.

Phase 5 is the only phase that remains to be completed. A detailed progress report for Phase 5 and fundraising follows:

Phase 5

Architect Dennis Thompson created a design concept for the Phase 5 permanent housing project. This was submitted to DRB on January 27, 2009 and received Conceptual Review. The project is off the DRB's calendar for the next one to two years, until such time that the Fairview Gardens has raised enough funds to move Phase 5 forward within a reasonable timeline.

Monthly Fundraising Accomplishments

Private Donations (Secured): \$1325

*Monthly Funds Raised: \$1325

Total Fundraising Accomplishments

* since C.U.P. issuance (7/1/08)

Private Donations (Secured): \$ 78,896

Private Donations (Pledged): \$50,000

(Pledge pulled back – Ill elder lost market funds)

*Total Funds Raised to Date: \$361,896

*Due to economic cutbacks affecting staff changes, fundraising efforts have been briefly put on hold until training is complete.

In-Kind Contributions

- Suzanne Elledge Planning and Permitting Services (Planning Services)
- Thompson Naylor Architects (Architectural Services, Discounted Rate)
- Victor Schumacher (Architectural Services)
- Allen Associates (Project Management, Potential Builders, Discounted Rate)
- Penfield and Smith (Survey and Engineering Services)
- Wilson Environmental Landscape Design (Landscape Design)
- Phillip Seymour (Legal Counsel)
- Dennis Elledge (Building Contractor / Project Management)
- Matt Dobberteen (Planning Fees)
- Marborg Industries (Waste Management, Discounted Service)
- Hayward Lumber (Materials Donation/Discount)
- Harriet Eckstein (Graphic Design)

As always, the farm board and management are meeting regularly to work on strategizing and fundraising for the remaining Phase Five. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you,
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