

April 22, 2014

Via E-Mail Pasadena Planning Commission

Re: Draft EIR Regarding Reuse of Desiderio Army Reserve Center (SCH#2013091086)

Dear Commissioners,

The West Pasadena Residents' Association, founded in 1962, is dedicated to maintaining the character and integrity of our neighborhood and enhancing the quality of life in West Pasadena. Therefore, we support the staff recommendation for a local park at Desiderio Army Reserve Center.

The city park is described as

"a neighborhood park characterized as a passive retreat for individuals, families with small children, walkers, and visitors to the Lower Arroyo. This park is not intended to accommodate large groups or organized sports activities." (DEIR page 3)

The project has been in work for some time, and WPRA has consistently supported the planned park. However, some have suggested changes to make the park a regional park, through things like adding bathrooms and additional parking. The WPRA opposes those additions.

WPRA supports the City's recommendation for a local park at Desiderio Army Reserve Center and urges that it proceed without further delay.

Sincerely,

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