# **APPENDIX D**

# PUBLIC SERVICES LETTERS AND CORRESPONDENCE

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# LONG BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT

From: Mark Friedlander

To: <a href="mailto:">"beverly.crawford@longbeach.gov"</a>
Subject: LBFD"s Ability to Provide Services
Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 11:33:00 AM

Attachments: LBFD Letter.doc

LBFD Letter.pdf

#### Dear Chief DuRee,

This email has been sent to you as part of an environmental review process being conducted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City of Long Beach has determined that preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is necessary to adequately analyze the environmental effects of updating the City's General Plan with the proposed Land Use and Urban Design Elements.

Please find attached letter including information about the project and a questionnaire regarding Long Beach Fire Department's ability to provide services to the city.

It would be helpful to the analysis for LSA to receive a response by **Thursday, January 28, 2016**.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance.

#### **Mark Friedlander**

LSA Associates, Inc. 20 Executive Park, Suite 200 Irvine, CA 92614 p. 949-553-0666 January 12, 2016

Mike DuRee, Fire Chief Long Beach Fire Department 3205 Lakewood Boulevard Long Beach, CA 90808

Subject: General Plan Land Use and Urban Design Elements Project Environmental Impact

Report

Dear Chief DuRee:

This letter has been sent to you as part of an environmental review process being conducted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City of Long Beach (City) has determined that preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is necessary to adequately analyze the environmental effects of the proposed General Plan Land Use and Urban Design Elements Project (Proposed Project). The City is the Lead Agency, and LSA Associates, Inc. (LSA) has been retained by the City to prepare the environmental analysis required for the proposed project.

The project site includes the entire 50 square miles within the limits of the City of Long Beach (excluding the City of Signal Hill, which is completely surrounded by the City of Long Beach) in Los Angeles County (County), California.

The proposed project is an update to the City's existing General Plan and is intended to guide growth and future development through the year 2040. While the existing General Plan does not currently include an UDE, the existing Scenic Routes Element (SRE) designates roadways within the City for which view protection should be considered and also establishes varying design standards to ensure the continued maintenance of the aesthetic character of these roadways. The proposed project includes the approval of both the General Plan Land Use and Urban Design Elements, which would replace the existing LUE and SRE.

The buildout projections associated with approval of the proposed LUE would allow for a population increase of 51,230 persons, an employment increase of 28,511, and a net increase of 11,744 units by the year 2040 (General Plan Buildout). More specifically, at General Plan Buildout, the proposed project would allow for an increase of approximately 664 and 11,081 single family and multi-family dwelling units, respectively, as well as a net increase of approximately 15,093,00 square feet of non-residential square uses. The Proposed Project is General Plan, or programmatic level project, and no development plans are being analyzed at this time. Therefore, LSA is striving to understand the needs of you agency considering the changes that would result from approval of the proposed General Plan Elements.

LSA is seeking information on how the proposed project would affect the Long Beach Fire Department's ability to provide services and whether the project would require new or expanded facilities. To assist with this effort, a questionnaire has been enclosed with specific questions relating

to services near the project area. It would be helpful to the analysis for us to receive a response by Thursday, **January 28, 2016**. Please email your response to mark.friedlander@lsa-assoc.com.

If you have any questions or comments on the questionnaire, please contact me at (949) 553-0666. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

### LSA ASSOCIATES, INC.

Mark Friedlander

Mark Friedlander Assistant Environmental Planner

Attachments: LBFD Questionnaire

### LONG BEACH FIRE DEPARTMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

For your convenience, we have provided space below for your answers. If you choose to answer these questions in the form of a letter, please number your responses to correspond to the questions. We would very much appreciate a response by **January 28, 2016**. Please return the completed questionnaire via email to mark.friedlander@lsa-assoc.com.

1. Please evaluate the following statement for accuracy. If any of the information contained in the text below is incorrect or should be updated, please indicate the needed revisions below.

The Long Beach Fire Department (LBFD) is the primary agency in the City responsible for providing fire, medical, rescue, disaster response, public education, community service, and environmental emergency services. LSA understands that the LBFD has a total of 527 full time equivalent (FTE) uniformed and non-uniformed personnel. The LBFD currently protects over 472,779 residents from its 24 fire stations located throughout the City (including two fire boat stations in the Port of Long Beach, one urban search and rescue service station, and one airport station), nine lifeguard facilities (41 seasonal stations), a training center, emergency communications and operations center, and fire department headquarters. Of the total uniformed personnel, 117 firefighters are on duty at all times to serve the City's population.

The planning area includes the entire area within the City's jurisdictional limits (approximately 50 square miles). As such, all 24 stations, nine lifeguard facilities, and related training centers and headquarters would serve the project area.

The average citywide response time from dispatch to arrival is 4.7 minutes. The LBFD goals for emergency response are to respond to 90 percent of emergency calls within 5 minutes and to respond to calls for structure fires within 6.3 minutes.

2. LSA is aware of current plans to update the Security Operations Campus, adjacent to the new Fire Station No.15, in the Port of Long Beach. Other than this project, are there any current or future plans for expansion of Fire Department facilities, services, or staff or to construct a new facility? If yes, please explain.

3. Would the project substantially increase response times or create a substantial increase in demand for staff, facilities, equipment, or Fire or other emergency services (e.g., as a result of a potential increased call volume)?

4. Does the City have an expected fire department staff per 1000 residents ratio?

5. Will the LBFD be able to adequately serve the existing community and the proposed project? If not, can you recommend any measures for mitigating project impacts that might be incorporated into the project? 6. Please provide any additional comments or questions you would like to see addressed in the environmental analysis for this project. Prepared by:

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

# LONG BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

From: Mark Friedlander

To: "julie.bedard@longbeach.gov"

Subject: LBPD"s Ability to Provide Services

Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 11:33:00 AM

Attachments: LBPD Letter.doc

LBPD Letter.pdf

#### Dear Chief Luna,

This email has been sent to you as part of an environmental review process being conducted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City Long Beach has determined that preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is necessary to adequately analyze the environmental effects of General Plan Land Use and Urban Design General Plan Elements project.

Please find attached a letter including information about the project and a questionnaire regarding the Police Department's ability to provide services to the City.

It would be helpful to the analysis for LSA to receive a response by **Thursday, January 28, 2016**.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance.

### **Mark Friedlander**

LSA Associates, Inc. 20 Executive Park, Suite 200 Irvine, CA 92614 p. 949-553-0666 January 12, 2016

Robert G. Luna, Police Chief City of Long Beach 400 W. Broadway Long Beach, CA 90802

Subject: City of Long Beach General Plan Land Use and Urban Design Elements

#### Dear Chief Luna:

This letter has been sent to you as part of an environmental review process being conducted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City of Long Beach (City) has determined that preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is necessary to adequately analyze the environmental effects of the proposed General Plan Land Use and Urban Design Elements Project (Proposed Project). The City is the Lead Agency, and LSA Associates, Inc. (LSA) has been retained by the City to prepare the environmental analysis required for the proposed project.

The project site includes the entire 50 square miles within the limits of the City of Long Beach (excluding the City of Signal Hill, which is completely surrounded by the City of Long Beach) in Los Angeles County (County), California.

The proposed project is an update to the City's existing General Plan and is intended to guide growth and future development through the year 2040. While the existing General Plan does not currently include an UDE, the existing Scenic Routes Element (SRE) designates roadways within the City for which view protection should be considered and also establishes varying design standards to ensure the continued maintenance of the aesthetic character of these roadways. The proposed project includes the approval of both the General Plan Land Use and Urban Design Elements, which would replace the existing LUE and SRE.

The buildout projections associated with approval of the proposed LUE would allow for a population increase of 51,230 persons, an employment increase of 28,511, and a net increase of 11,744 units by the year 2040 (General Plan Buildout). More specifically, at General Plan Buildout, the Proposed Project would allow for an increase of approximately 664 and 11,081 single family and multi-family dwelling units, respectively, as well as a net increase of approximately 15,093,00 square feet of nonresidential square uses. The Proposed Project is General Plan, or programmatic level project, and no development plans are being analyzed at this time. Therefore, LSA is striving to understand the needs of you agency considering the changes that would result from approval of the proposed General Plan Elements.

LSA is seeking information on how the proposed project would affect the Long Beach Police Department's ability to provide services and whether the project would require new or expanded facilities. To assist with this effort, a questionnaire has been enclosed with specific questions relating to services near the project area. It would be helpful to the analysis for us to receive a response by Thursday, **January 28, 2016.** Please email your response to mark.friedlander@lsa-assoc.com.

If you have any questions or comments on the questionnaire, please contact me at (949) 553-0666. Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

## LSA ASSOCIATES, INC.

Mark Friedlander

Assistant Environmental Planner

Attachments: Police Protection Questionnaire

## POLICE PROTECTION QUESTIONNAIRE

For your convenience, we have provided space below for your answers. If you choose to answer these questions in the form of a letter, please number your responses to correspond to the questions. We would very much appreciate a response by **January 28, 2016**. Please return the completed questionnaire via email to mark.friedlander@lsa-assoc.com.

1. Please evaluate the following statements for accuracy. If any of the information contained in the text below is incorrect or should be updated, please indicate the needed revisions below.

The LBPD provides local police protection services to the City of Long Beach. The LBPD is comprised of four separate bureaus: (1) the Investigation Bureau, (2) the Support Bureau, (3) the Patrol Bureau, and (4) the Administration Bureau. The Investigation Bureau is comprised of the Detective Division, Gang and Violent Crimes Division, Forensic Science Services Division, and the Criminal Intelligence Section. This bureau is responsible for investigating crimes, analyzing evidence, apprehending suspects, preventing abuse, and promoting positive relationships between police officers and youth. The Support Bureau is comprised of the Security Services, Communications and Training, Port Police, and Jail Divisions. This bureau is responsible with providing specialized security functions, providing enhanced emergency communication services, developing police recruits, and training police officers. The Patrol Bureau is the largest bureau as it encompasses over 40 percent of the LBPD's budget and more than half of its personnel. This bureau is responsible for providing community policing services. The Administrative Bureau is comprised of the Fiscal, Personnel, and Records and Technology Divisions. This bureau is responsible for processing payments and billings; preparing the annual budget; providing personnel and payroll services; and managing department records, fleet vehicles, and technological activities.

The LBPD currently serves a population of approximately 469,428 residents. The LBPD's budget accounts for approximately 806 sworn officers and 406 civilian FTEs. This provides a ratio of approximately 1.72 sworn officers per 1,000 residents. In 2014, there were a total of 24,724 crimes, of which 14,722 were Part I crimes. Part I crimes are those that are potentially life-threatening emergencies and involve events which involve life safety (i.e., shooting or felonious crimes). Based on a residential population of approximately 469,428, the citywide 2014 Part I crimes per resident is 0.31. The average citywide response time to Priority I calls for service is 4.5 minutes. The department goal for average police response time for Priority 1 calls for service is 5 minutes or less.

The LBPD is also a part of the Los Angeles County Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Organization, which is overseen by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. In the event that mutual aid is required, the Emergency Operations Bureau of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is notified and in turn, notification of other cities in predetermined response groups occurs.

2.	Are there any current or future plans for expansion of Police Department facilities, services, or staff or to construct a new facility? If yes, please explain.
3.	Would the project substantially increase response times or create a substantial increase in demand for staff, facilities, equipment, or police or other emergency services (e.g., as a result of potential increase in call volume)?
4.	Are there any specific crime prevention design features that the LBPD recommends for incorporation into the proposed project?

5.	Based on the proposed project description, will the LBPD be able to adequately serve the proposed project? If not, can you recommend any measures for mitigating project impacts that might be incorporated into the project?
6.	Please provide any additional comments or questions you would like to see addressed in the environmental analysis for this project.
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# LONG BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### Mark Friedlander

From: Mike Lektorich <Mike.Lektorich@lbpl.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 20, 2016 11:48 AM

To: Mark Friedlander

**Cc:** Susan Jones; Glenda Williams

**Subject:** RE: LBPL Services

**Attachments:** LSA Associates questionnaire.docx

Hello, Mr. Friedlander,

I have attached the completed questionnaire for LSA Associates, Inc. Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information. Thank you!

Mike Lektorich Executive Assistant Long Beach Public Library 101 Pacific Ave. Long Beach, CA 90822

Phone: 562.570.6719 Fax: 562.570.7408

Email: Mike.Lektorich@lbpl.org

From: Mark Friedlander [mailto:Mark.Friedlander@lsa-assoc.com]

Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 1:01 PM

To: Mike Lektorich Subject: LBPL Services

Mr. Lektorich,

Thanks again for helping out with this. I've attached the formal letter we are sending out to all public service providers in Long Beach (i.e. LBPD, LBFD, LBUSD). The letter includes a questionnaire regarding the LBPL's ability to provide services to the city and it would helpful if someone could verify the information and provide answers to the questions.

This email has been sent to you as part of an environmental review process being conducted pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The City of Long Beach has determined that preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is necessary to adequately analyze the environmental effects of updating the City's General Plan with the proposed Land Use and Urban Design Elements.

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If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me via email or phone. Thank you in advance for your time and assistance.

#### **Mark Friedlander**

LSA Associates, Inc. 20 Executive Park, Suite 200 Irvine, CA 92614 p. 949-553-0666 January 12, 2016

Long Beach Public Library 101 Pacific Avenue Long Beach, CA 90822

General Plan Land Use and Urban Design Elements Project Environmental Impact Subject:

Report

### To Whom It May Concern:

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Sincerely,

# LSA ASSOCIATES, INC.

Mark Friedlander

Mark Friedlander Assistant Environmental Planner

Attachments: LBPL Questionnaire

## LONG BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. Please evaluate the following statements for accuracy. If any of the information contained in the text below is incorrect or should be updated, please indicate the needed revisions below.

The LBPL system provides library services to the City and includes 12 locations throughout the City. The Long Beach Main Library is located in the southern portion of the City at 101 Pacific Avenue. In total, the LBPL system has approximately 220,265 sf of library facilities, approximately 1,170,525 806,988 library materials (includes hardcopies and online resources), and approximately 221 227 computers available for public use. In FY 2015, the City's Library Services employed 119.33 FTE personnel.

Libraries in the LBPL system are closed on Mondays and are open from 12:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Main Library 12:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.) on Tuesdays, 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays, from 12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursdays, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Sundays (Bay Shore, Burnett and North Neighborhood Libraries only).

While the City has not formally adopted a service standard of library space per capita, the City did establish a target of 0.45 square foot per capita in its budget for the Fiscal Year 2007. Using this standard and 469,428 as the estimated 2014 population, the LBPL currently provides approximately 0.47 square feet, thereby exceeding its standard of library space by 0.2 square feet per capita.

The demand for library facilities is driven by residential land uses within the City's boundaries. Because the proposed project would allow for new PlaceTypes that would facilitate an increase in housing units in the City, project approval could result in an increased demand for library facilities.

2. Will the project create a further need to expand existing and planned library facilities or staff, construct a new facility, or otherwise adversely impact the types of services you provide? Please note that the proposed project could result in the development of an additional 11,744 dwelling units at General Plan Buildout (2040) The estimated population would be 51,230, bringing the estimated City population up to 484,485 by the year 2040. No specific development project is being proposed at this time.

Not necessarily. At our current square footage, with a population increase to 484,485, Long Beach Public Library would still maintain a ratio of 0.45 square feet per capita. Additionally the North Branch Library will move to a new, larger facility later in 2016. This will increase our square footage by approximately 17,700.

3. Based on the information provided above, will the proposed project adversely affect library services near the project area? If yes, can you recommend any measures for mitigating project impacts that might be incorporated into the project?

No, existing facilities and resources should continue to provide comparable service.

4. Please provide the LBPL standard service ratios (i.e. square feet per capita for library space, volumes per capita for library collections, circulation per capita)

As mentioned previously, the City established a target of 0.45 square feet per capita. Also considered are specialized spaces within our facilities, such as public space, collection space and electronic workstation space.

Long Beach Public Library strives to reach the median library resources for a city public library in California. These are:

2.5 volumes per capita

0.063 annual hours per capita

0.41 staff per 1000 residents

Phone: 562-570-6608

5.	What is the LBPL's current square footage of library space, number of volumes of collections, and number of volumes in circulation?	
Current square footage of library space: 220,265 Number of volumes: 806,988		
Nu	mber of volumes in circulation: 769,518	
6	Please provide the number of computers in the LBPL system?	
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Nu	mber of public computers: 227	
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7.	Please provide any additional information, including tables and maps that may be helpful in preparing an environmental assessment of the proposed project with relation to library services. Please provide any additional comments or questions you would like to see addressed in the environmental assessment for the project.	
	new, larger facility for our North Branch Library is scheduled to open in the late summer 2016. A w, smaller facility for our Main Library is part of the proposed new Civic Center project.	
	ese new facilities should increase slightly the number of volumes in our collection. The number of blic computers should also increase slightly.	
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	pared by: Susan Jones	
Titl	e: Manager of Main Library Services	
Dat	te: January 19, 2016	