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VIA EMAIL

Nicholas Sosa City of Rancho Cordova Planning Department 2729 Prospect Park Drive Rancho Cordova, California 95670

RE: Rio Del Oro Parcel 66 (DD9901)

Dear Mr. Sosa:

WALKSacramento has reviewed the project routing for Rio Del Oro Parcel 66 and we offer the following comments.

Lot D, a paseo that will provide direct pedestrian access to the neighborhood, will support more convenient access to future high-frequency transit on White Rock Road. The paseo will also have good natural surveillance as it's located where people walking, biking or driving on Street 2 will have an unobstructed view of the sidewalk within the paseo.

The North Trail, an off-street trail within a green belt in the Rio Del Oro Specific Plan, is adjacent to the southeast edge of Parcel 66. Access to the trail for future residents of the Parcel 66 neighborhood could be improved by providing a paseo between Street 8 and the trail. Bicyclists would then be able to access the trail without having to negotiate an uncontrolled crossing of the six-lane Rancho Cordova Parkway or riding on the Rancho Cordova Parkway sidewalk between La Fortuna Street and the trail.

We are pleased to see that each interior lot has one neighborhood street tree and corner lots have three. The proposed extensive planting of neighborhood street trees will provide shade for pedestrians and greenery for sustainability and aesthetics.

If the landscape plan is interpreted as indicating the locations of driveways on the house lots, there may be conflicts between the driveway locations and crosswalk curb ramps at most of the T-intersections. We recommend a review of the lotting plan to ensure driveway-crosswalk conflicts are not created.

WALKSacramento is working to support increased physical activity such as walking and bicycling in local neighborhoods as well as helping to create community environments that support walking and bicycling. The benefits include improved public health and physical fitness, better air quality, a stronger sense of cohesion and safety in neighborhoods, and more sustainable communities and local economies.

Sincerely,

Chris Holm Project Manager