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VIA EMAIL

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RE: Rio Del Oro Parcel 66 TSM (DD9901)

Dear Mr. Sosa:

WALKSacramento has reviewed the 2nd submittal for Rio Del Oro Parcel 66. We offer the following comments in support of project elements to that can improve public health.

The applicant's response to comments stated that "WALK Sacramento is fully supportive of the paseo at its current width." In our 11/6/2019 letter we commented that Lot D's alignment with street would enhance natural surveillance, however we didn't reference the width of the lot. **Expanding Lot D to 40' width would enhance natural surveillance of the sidewalk on the lot, and it could provide adequate room for shade trees without branches interfering with adjacent houses or yards.**

We are pleased to see that the TSM has been revised to include Landscape Lot E between Street 8 and the North Trail. The lot will provide convenient access for the entire Parcel 66 neighborhood to access the trail conveniently. **Natural surveillance and personal safety of pedestrians and bicyclists would be improved if Lot E were widened.** Increasing lines of sight between the street and the open space where the trail will be located will make people more comfortable transitioning between the neighborhood and the open space behind the homes on either side of Lot E.

With the inclusion of sidewalks on minor residential streets on the TSM, it's apparent the crosswalk on La Fortuna Street at Street 3 is missing. **Corner improvements similar to La Fortuna Street at Rancho Cordova Parkway should be made in order to provide the crosswalk that's missing on La Fortuna Street at Street 3.**

The preliminary landscape plan has been revised to show the minor residential street sidewalks and Lot E. The location of street trees at the T-intersections throughout the site do not appear to have been changed, so we repeat our recommendation from our previous letter that the **lotting plan should be reviewed to avoid driveway-crosswalk conflicts.**

We are also supportive of the applicant's request to condition the project such that **"Tree Maintenance and replacement language shall be included within the CC&Rs to the satisfaction of the City Arborist."**

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