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VIA EMAIL

June Cowles  
City of Rancho Cordova Planning Department  
2729 Prospect Park Drive  
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

**RE: White Rock Center (DD9940)**

Dear Ms. Cowles:

WALKSacramento has reviewed the project routing for White Rock Center and we offer the following comments.

Pedestrian access to each building is direct and the sidewalk through the front setback landscaping is shaded by parking lot trees. Design standards for City streets suggest that street trees should be provided on major and minor arterials. Providing additional trees near the back of sidewalk on the project site would shade the sidewalk for a better pedestrian comfort and street-user experience. **Recommendation 1: Add street trees along the project frontage.**

Drawing C2 indicates the project will construct exterior bike racks/lockers per architectural plans at the northwest corner of Building 1, and drawing C3 also shows the bike rack/locker location in the same place. Drawings L 1.0, A 1.0, A1.1-B, E1.0 and E1.1 show the bike rack/locker symbol at the same location, but they also show an identical symbol at the northeast corner of Building 2. Each of the buildings should have bike racks and bike lockers to provide conveniently located bike parking that's close to the building entrance. **Recommendation 2: Provide short-term and long-term bicycle parking at each building.**

The symbols for "bike rack/locker" are rectangles that represent an area about 6' x 2-1/2', and there's no differentiation between a rack and a locker. The architectural plans indicate the locker is 74" x 30" and stores one bike, and the rack without length dimension provided accommodates five bikes. There appears to be adequate room for a bike locker that's placed against the wall with the door swinging towards the wall. However, a rack would need to be placed either on the curb or close to the locker to provide adequate space for maneuvering and access, which would leave only one side of the rack usable.

**Recommendation 3: Reconfigure the placement of the bike rack and bike locker to provide the desired number of parking spaces.**

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