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VIA EMAIL

Arturo Carrasco-Becerra  
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300 Richards Blvd., 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor  
Sacramento, CA 95811

**RE: Northview Pointe (IR21-059)**

Dear Mr. Carrasco-Becerra:

Thank you for routing the Northview Pointe project to WALKSacramento. The project proposes to construct a 67-unit 2-story apartment building that will be 100% affordable permanent supportive and special needs housing.

The surface parking lot has eight trees and nearly all of the automobile parking spaces will be fully or partially shaded. The building is at the Northview Drive front setback line, so there may not be room for large street trees, and smaller trees will not provide sidewalk shade. The presence of greenery is good for people and may be especially beneficial for the future residents of Northview Pointe, so **we recommend adding trees to the front landscape area between the public sidewalk and the building.**

The project proposes to provide the City-required amount of bike parking. The four short-term spaces are conveniently located next to the gated entrance to the building and should be visible to people in the common deck. We are pleased to see the bike room on the ground level near the common deck, but it's not apparent how bicyclists will enter and exit the building. Movement through the office may be constricted, so **we recommend adding a manual control for the fire access gate that bicyclists may use to open the gate. We also suggest adjusting the southeast corner of the landscaped area north of the bike room to better accommodate bicyclists and their bikes as they enter and exit the bike room.**

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