

Orozco, Norma

From: Ginelle Hardy <ginelleann@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 1:18 PM
To: eComment
Subject: Consent Calendar Item: 17

Honorable Mayor and Councilmembers,

Please hold your vote this evening on Consent Calendar Item: 17 Approve an Agreement with Dunbar Architecture for Architectural Design Services for the Historic Cypress Fire Station in an Amount Not to Exceed \$434,880 for a Five-Year Term (Project No. 22-6023) (General Fund)

Please continue this item until the Eastside/Pacific Park neighborhood has an opportunity to make comments related to the RFP about the use of the historic Cypress Fire Station.

At at least one (1) meeting, if not more meeting need to be held in & for the community where the RFP drawings & proposed use of the building is disclosed and open for debate in the community @ an Eastside/ Pacific Park neighborhood meeting - or a meeting held just for such a presentation and discussion - with City staff, Developer & Architectural Firm representatives in attendance!

This is not asking too much, but only the bare minimum of what has been done in the past regarding proposed projects in other neighborhoods!

The community MUST be able to provide feedback about use, parking, landscaping, availability of the building to the community, etc, - and the community's input must be reflected in a revised proposal with Neighborhood buy-in before the project is awarded funding by City Council.

Please postpone voting on Consent Calendar Item: 17 tonight, and continue this matter until after the neighborhood has had an opportunity to provide necessary input @ a Community meeting related to this project with City Staff, Developer & Architectural firm in attendance. At such meeting all material related to RFP or pending proposal should be presented in full disclosure with all necessary drawings, displays & explanations. And choices given for use of the building made available to the neighborhood & community!

Please be aware that there has been for years, and is now, neighborhood & community interest in both the preservation of the exterior of the historic Cypress Fire Station per state guidelines (Secretary Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation), AND the use of the building, or part of the building, open to the public for use by the neighborhood & community as a meeting space & an art center. Written & photo documentation is available to show evidence of this long struggle by residents.

Also know that by the time this project reaches the Historic Resources Commission (HRC) for review it will be too late for Neighborhood & Community input and related changes to the use of the historic Cypress Fire Station - as the HRC will only be concerned about the historic rehabilitation of the exterior of the building.

Thank you for your consideration related to postponement of tonight's Consent Calendar Item: 17,

Ginelle Hardy
South Main Street Neighborhood Resident
Heninger Park Neighborhood, President
Historic Resource Commission, Commissioner
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Orozco, Norma

From: Danny Vega <vegadanny@live.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 1:34 PM
To: eComment
Cc: Amezcua, Valerie
Subject: Agenda Item #17

To: Mayor and City Council Members

I am writing this email as a resident of Ward 3 and as a Father to 3 girls. I am in full support of Agenda Item #17 to having the PAAL program, Senior Center and the Police Substation at the Historic Cypress Fire Station.

Police-Community relations is something that we all can agree needs to be improved. I believe this is a great way to do it. I personally have seen staff at a PAAL center and I see how excited and happy the kids are. I believe Police Officers can be a terrific role models for our children, especially when we have gangs who are waiting to prey and recruit our children. I hope that we also consider looking at additional locations so that every child in Santa Ana has a chance to enroll.

Thank you for your time.

Regards,
Danny Vega
Ward 3 resident and Father

Orozco, Norma

From: Tom Lutz <luterlutz@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 3:13 PM
To: eComment
Subject: Agenda Item #17

To: Mayor and City Council Members.

I would like to lend my support for the passage of item 17 on your agenda this evening not only for the preservation of the historical building but the usage and the safety of the neighborhood residents.

Sincerely,
Tom Lutz
Former Council and Mayor Pro Tem. 1992 - 2000. Planning Commissioner 2003 - 2006.

Middleton, Samuel

From: lopezilda714@yahoo.com
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 7:38 PM
To: eComment
Subject: PAAL Program

Dear Mayor Amezcua and Councilmembers

My name is Ilda Lopez. I live at the Pacific Park Neighborhood. I would like to let you know that I am in full support of having the PAAL Program, a Senior Center and a Police Substation at the Historic Cypress Street Fire Station.

Thank you,
Ilda Lopez

Middleton, Samuel

From: Lupe Dreyer <mslupedreyer@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:51 PM
To: eComment
Subject: PAAL Program

Dear Mayor Amezcua and Councilmembers

My name is Lupe Dreyer. I would like to let you know that I am in full support of having the PAAL Program, a Senior Center and a Police Substation at the Historic Cypress Street Fire Station.

Thank you,
Lupe Dreyer

Sent from my iPhone

Middleton, Samuel

From: Daisy Solis <daisysolis1990@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 5:21 PM
To: eComment
Subject: PAAL PROGRAM

Dear Mayor Amezcua and Councilmembers

My name is Daisy Solis. I live at the Pacific Park Neighborhood. I am in full support of having the PAAL Program, the Senior Center and the Police Substation at the Historic Cypress Street Fire Station.

Thank you.
Daysi Solís

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

Middleton, Samuel

From: Hall, Jennifer
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 9:13 AM
To: eComment
Subject: FW: Good Morning

From: selicadiaz@yahoo.com [<mailto:selicadiaz@yahoo.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 8:48 AM

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Cc: Mendoza, Steven <SMendoza@santa-ana.org>; Thai, Minh <mthai@santa-ana.org>; Saba, Nabil <NSaba@santa-ana.org>

Subject: Good Morning

Dear Mayor Amezcua, Councilmembers, and City Manager Ridge,

I'm excited to hear that the long-awaited renovations will begin soon at the Historic Cypress Street Fire Station in my neighborhood. The residents of Pacific Park Neighborhood are looking forward to seeing the PAAL Program and Senior Center at the Historic Cypress Street Fire Station location. I was looking forward to being present at tonight's meeting, but my son's choir performance is also tonight, and I can't miss it. As much as I love my community, my family comes first. I'm sure you understand.

I fully support agenda item 17 before you tonight, and I hope all of you do as well.

Thank you,
Selica Diaz

Middleton, Samuel

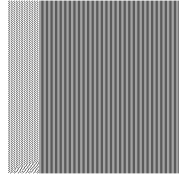
From: selicadiaz@yahoo.com
Sent: Tuesday, March 21, 2023 9:44 AM
To: eComment
Subject: Item #17 PAAL Program & Senior Center. Yes!

Good morning,

I fully support agenda item #17. I'm excited to hear that the long-awaited renovations will begin soon at the Historic Cypress Street Fire Station in our neighborhood. The residents of Pacific Park Neighborhood are looking forward to seeing the PAAL Program and Senior Center at the Historic Cypress Street Fire Station location.

Thank you,
Selica Diaz

Dale Helvig
Resident, Santa Ana CA 92706



March 21, 2023

Mayor Amezcua and Santa Ana City Councilmembers
City of Santa Ana
20 Civic Center Plaza, 8th Floor
Santa Ana CA 92702

Subject: ITEM 17 – Architectural Design Services for the Historic Cypress Fire Station

I support the rehabilitation of the Historic Cypress Fire Station and the use of the site as a Police Activities and Athletic League (PAAL) Center. I think this is a positive move by the City.

I don't claim to understand the process used to determine the selection of this architectural contract to Dunbar Architecture. They by all accounts seem to be a good firm. I also don't understand why the only firm from Santa Ana was not awarded the contract. If all the firms listed were qualified to do the job, the Santa Ana firm should have been selected, regardless of the ranking.

I have seen auto purchases awarded to dealerships in other counties to save some money and I have seen a trash haulers contract awarded to a firm that will cost its residents more each month for next 15 years. So, I don't know what the basis is for deciding who gets what.

The City of Santa Ana should support qualified local businesses, in this case, ITZEN Architects.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration. Stay safe, stay healthy.

Respectfully,

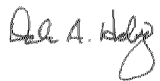
Dale A Helvig
Resident, Santa Ana

cc: Kristine Ridge
City Manager, Santa Ana

Sonia Carvalho
City Attorney, Santa Ana

Steven Mendoza
Assistant City Manager, Santa Ana





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