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Subject: Newcastle Fire Station, PLN14-00044 (RDG project #13-262)
Response to 1st Submittal Comments

Dear Ms. Carnahan,

We have received your review comments dated July 31, 2014 and propose the following responses:

Planning and Air Quality Comments

1. From the historical photos, the Phase I study indicated a Chinese camp on the project site from approximately 1912 through the late 1950's, when the freeway was constructed. At the time of the freeway construction, the buildings were demolished and removed. Because this project includes filling (not excavation) of the project area, valuable cultural artifacts could be buried. The Cultural Assessment needs to be revised to include the information available on the Chinese camp. Additionally, a field survey by a qualified professional archaeologist needs to be conducted prior to ground disturbance, and the findings sent to the County.

Response: Noted. The Cultural and Paleontological Resources Assessment has been revised. It now makes note of the Chinese camp. Also, an archaeological investigation has been performed, and a Field Survey Results section has been added to the report.

2. It is understood that the Air Quality Analysis is to be re-run, utilizing updated construction detail, and that the revised analysis will be submitted to the County shortly.

Response: Yes. See revised reports.

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3. The lighting plan shows three light poles which are 20 feet in height. Please note that the standard for Placer County is a maximum of 14 feet. The height of the light poles will therefore need to be reduced, and a final photometric plan will need to be submitted with the Design Site Agreement (DSA) application. The final photometric plan will need to show that no light crosses the property lines.

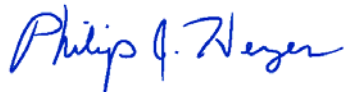
Response: Noted. The Photometric Plan has been revised based on 14' fixture heights.

4. The Conceptual Landscape Plan submitted gives the same symbol for screening shrubs, filler shrubs, and ground cover material. For the final landscape plan to be submitted with the DSA, these symbols should be separated out to differentiate between the various landscaped areas.

Response: Noted. The Conceptual Landscape Plan has been revised.

Please let us know if you have any additional questions or comments.

Sincerely,
Roseville Design Group, Inc.



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Vice President

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