

October 30, 2009

Ms. Heather Forest, Associate Planner
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300 Richards Boulevard, Third Floor
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Dear Ms. Forrest:

The North Franklin District Business Association is in favor of the CPV Project however we have several concerns. Our concerns still center on traffic congestion and accessibility for our businesses on West Pacific and Deeble streets.

Recently, a metering light was installed on the northbound on-ramp to Interstate 99 from Sutterville Road. The level of service at the signalized intersection at Sutterville Road and Franklin Boulevard and Sutterville Road and 30th Street at commute times is now unacceptable and has further added to the risk of traffic congestion on Sutterville Road. We do not believe the applicant's traffic study addresses the addition of the metering light.

Vehicles stacked west of the Sutterville Road and 30th intersection queue into the Sutterville Road and Franklin Boulevard intersection frequently every day.

Secondly vehicles stacked west of the Sutterville Road and Franklin Boulevard intersection are waiting two and three light changes to proceed through the intersection. Many vehicles are diverting through the surrounding residential areas and the Mercado Loco, one of our member business' parking lot.

Franklin Boulevard already is an escape route for Interstate 99 during the rush hours and this project will impact the traffic congestion even more.

The applicant writes on page 5, "In addition to Road A, circulation to and from Area 1 for service and general vehicles will be facilitated via the existing Western Pacific Road underpass". In addition to the commercial traffic, residents of CPV will use the Western Pacific Road underpass to avoid the tremendous congestion that will exist leaving CPV at commute times and

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traveling east to the freeway. This will cause congestion in our area, which will spill into the nearby neighborhoods. Additionally, the intersection at West Pacific Avenue and Sutterville Road is not designed for the additional traffic volume. The additional traffic volume will create an unsafe situation for pedestrians and vehicles and result in accidents.

We propose the applicant sever its connection to this area via Western Pacific Road or create a four way intersection at the corner of Road A and Sutterville Road which is properly designed to accommodate the additional traffic volume the CPV project is introducing to our area.

Additionally, we feel this development should include a pedestrian/bicycle bridge, bringing together Sacramento City College, Curtis Park Village, the neighborhoods to the south of Sutterville and the City College light rail station.

In sum, we support this project in concept but remain concerned about traffic congestion and its effect on the North Franklin District and lack of accessibility for our West Pacific and Deeble streets businesses.

Sincerely,

Kathy Tescher
Executive Director

cc: Vice Mayor Lauren Hammond
Mayor and City Council Members
Petrovich Development Company
Planning Commission Members