Appendix M

LAPL Response Letter

Re: Hollywood & Wilcox Project

The following is our response to your questions:

1. Frances Howard Goldwyn-Hollywood Regional Branch Library

Frances Howard Goldwyn-Hollywood Regional Branch library 1623 N. Ivar Ave. Hollywood, CA 90028

Hours of Operation:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Monday - Wednesday} & 10 \mbox{ am} - 8 \mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Friday, Saturday} & 9:30 \mbox{ am} - 5:30 \mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Sunday} & 1 \mbox{ pm-5 pm} \end{array}$

2. Size (Square Feet):

19,000 sq. ft. facility.

3. Staffing Levels:

14.5 Full-time Employees

4. <u>Collection size/Circulation</u>:

87,182 Volumes/Circulation – 123,539

5. Programmed or Target Service Population:

The Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) does not make targeted projections...

6. Actual population served including the assigned census tracts upon which service population is determined:

100,006 estimated from LA Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries.

The LAPL no longer uses census tracts.

• Planned, funded, and/or scheduled improvements or expansions to the City library facilities that would serve this Project.

There are no planned improvements to add capacity through expansion. There are no plans for the development of any other new libraries to serve this community

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• Special facilities available for the public (i.e., children's reading assistance, homework centers, space for community meetings and programs).

Free Public Wi-Fi
Wireless Printing
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Meeting Room Rental
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The branch is a Virtual Library with multiple computer workstations providing public access to LAPL's on-line library catalog, extensive information databases, and the Internet. This branch also provides WIFI connectivity for mobile electronic devices.

STAR – Story Telling and Reading. Star volunteers read aloud with kids of all ages at the library. Reading aloud is fun – and can improve reading skills and encourage a lifelong love of books.

• <u>City library service standards and/or goals that would assist in analyzing the Project's potential impacts from development on local library services.</u>

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As it currently stands, the Goldwyn Hollywood branch, at 19,000 square feet, does not meet the standard of adding another branch when the community population reaches 90,000. Any increase in the residential/business population that is in close proximity to this branch has a direct impact on library services with increased demands for library staffing, materials, computers and information services. Therefore, mitigation efforts would be needed to bring the branch up to the standards of the Branch Facility Plan.

The Los Angeles Public Library recommends a mitigation fee of \$200 per capita based upon the projected population of the development. The funds will be used for staff, books, computers and other library materials. It is recommended that mitigation fees be paid for by the developer.

1. Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library

Will and Ariel Durant Branch Library 7140 W. Sunset Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90046

Hours of Operation:

 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Monday, Wednesday} & 10 \mbox{ am} - 8 \mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Tuesday, Thursday} & 12:00 \mbox{ pm} - 8 \mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Friday, Saturday} & 9:30 \mbox{ am} - 5:30 \mbox{ pm} \end{array}$

Sunday CLOSED

2. Size (Square Feet):

12,500 sq. ft. facility.

3. Staffing Levels:

10.5 Full-time Employees

4. Collection size/Circulation:

47,727 Volumes/Circulation - 138,968

5. Programmed or Target Service Population:

The Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) does not make targeted projections.

6. Actual population served including the assigned census tracts upon which service population is determined:

92,851 estimated from LA Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries.

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As it currently stands, the Durant branch, at 12,500 square feet, does not meet the standard of 14,500 square feet for a service population in excess of 45,000 and any increase in the residential/business population that is in close proximity to this branch has a direct impact on library services with increased demands for library staffing, materials, computers and information services. Therefore, mitigation efforts would be needed to bring the branch up to the standards of the Branch Facility Plan.

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1. John C. Fremont Branch Library

John C. Fremont Branch Library 6121 Melrose Ave. Los Angeles, CA 90038

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 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Monday, Wednesday} & 10\mbox{ am} - 8\mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Tuesday, Thursday} & 12:00\mbox{ pm} - 8\mbox{ pm} \\ \mbox{Friday, Saturday} & 9:30\mbox{ am} - 5:30\mbox{ pm} \end{array}$

Sunday CLOSED

2. Size (Square Feet):

7,361 sq. ft. facility.

3. Staffing Levels:

8.5 Full-time Employees

4. Collection size/Circulation:

40,452 Volumes/Circulation – 99,181

5. Programmed or Target Service Population:

The Los Angeles Public Library (LAPL) does not make targeted projections.

6. Actual population served including the assigned census tracts upon which service population is determined:

18,418 estimated from LA Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries.

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As it currently stands, the Fremont branch, at 7,361 square feet, does not meet the standard of 12,500 square feet for a service population of less than 45,000 and any increase in the residential/business population that is in close proximity to this branch has a direct impact on library services with increased demands for library staffing, materials, computers and information services. Therefore, mitigation efforts would be needed to bring the branch up to the standards of the Branch Facility Plan.

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