

## **Appendix L**

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Los Angeles Public Library Response Letter

## Re: Paseo Marina Project

The following is our response to your questions:

### 1. Which libraries would serve the proposed project?

#### Mar Vista Branch Library

##### 1. Libraries that would serve the proposed project:

Mar Vista Branch Library  
12006 Venice Blvd.  
Los Angeles, CA 90066

##### Hours of Operation:

Monday, Wednesday	10 am – 8 pm
Tuesday, Thursday	12:00 pm – 8 pm
Friday, Saturday	9:30 am – 5:30 pm
Sunday	Closed

##### 2. Size (Square Feet):

12,500 sq. ft. facility.

##### 3. Staffing Levels:

10.5 Full-time Employees

##### 4. Number of Volumes and Circulation:

51,858 Volumes/Circulation – 199,395

##### 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:

36,304 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

## Paseo Marina Project

- **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  
Reserve a Computer  
Meeting Room Rental  
Zoom Text Computer for the Visually Impaired

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 life-long love of books.

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

On February 8, 2007, The Board of Library Commissioners approved a new Branch Facilities Plan. This Plan includes Criteria for new Libraries, which recommends new size standards for the provision of LAPL facilities – 12,500 s.f. for community with less than 45,000 population and 14,500 s.f. for community with more than 45,000 population and up to 20,000 s.f. for a Regional branch. It also recommends that when a community reaches a population of 90,000, an additional branch library should be considered for the area.

As it currently stands, the Mar Vista branch at 12,500 square feet does meet the standard of 12,500 square feet for a service population of less than 45,000, however, any increase in the residential/project 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 measures may be necessary in order to lessen the impact to these services to a level that is appropriate for a given service population in accordance to the February 8, 2007 Board of Library Commissioners approved Branch Facilities 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. Which libraries would serve the proposed project?

**Venice Branch Library**

1. **Libraries that would serve the proposed project:**

Venice Branch Library  
501 S. Venice Blvd.  
Venice, CA 90291

Hours of Operation:

Monday, Wednesday	10 am – 8 pm
Tuesday, Thursday	12:00 pm – 8 pm
Friday, Saturday	9:30 am – 5:30 pm
Sunday	Closed

2. **Size (Square Feet):**

10,500 sq. ft. facility.

3. **Staffing Levels:**

10.0 Full-time Employees

4. **Number of Volumes and Circulation:**

41,981 Volumes/Circulation – 104,076

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:**

39,328 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.**

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As it currently stands, the Venice branch at 10,500 square feet does not meet the standard of 12,500 square feet for a service population of less than 45,000 square feet and any increase in the residential/project 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 measures are necessary in order to lessen the impact to these services to a level that is appropriate for a given service population in accordance to the February 8, 2007 Board of Library Commissioners approved Branch Facilities Plan.

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## Playa Vista Branch Library

1. **Libraries that would serve the proposed project:**

Playa Vista Branch Library  
6400 Playa Vista Drive  
Playa Vista, CA 90094

**Hours of Operation:**

Monday, Wednesday	10 am – 8 pm
Tuesday, Thursday	12:00 pm – 8 pm
Friday, Saturday	9:30 am – 5:30 pm
Sunday	Closed

2. **Size (Square Feet):**

10,500 sq. ft. facility.

3. **Staffing Levels:**

9.0 Full-time Employees

4. **Number of Volumes and Circulation:**

55,844 Volumes/Circulation – 104,076

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:**

38,071 estimated from LA Times Mapping L.A. database and branch library community boundaries.

The LAPL no longer uses census tracts.

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