## APPENDIX L2 POLICE DEPARTMENT





June 14, 2019

Parker Sever, Police Chief Hanford Police Department 425 North Irwin Street Hanford, CA 93230 psever@cityofhanfordca.com

## **RE: Information Request Letter for the KART Transit Station Project**

Dear Chief Sever,

UltraSystems has been hired by the Kings County Area Public Transit Agency (KCAPTA) to conduct environmental analysis for the proposed KART Transit Project (Project). UltraSystems is currently in the process of preparing environmental analysis for the proposed project, including its potential impacts on public services. UltraSystems needs your department's input on potential environmental impacts.

This letter is to request information from the Hanford Police Department regarding the proposed project.

The proposed project is located east of Harris Street, west of Brown Street, north of East 7th Street, and south of the alley located between 9th Street and 8th Street in the City of Hanford. The approximately 4-acre project site has been previously developed, and is located in the Downtown Mixed-Use Zoning District.

The KART Transit Project would include construction of a transit station and commercial development. The proposed project would include a large central passenger waiting area, employee break room, training room on the first floor, and leasable office space on the second and third floor. On-site bus parking and off-site parking would also be constructed. See attached **Project Location Map** and **Station Layout Map**.

It would be much appreciated if you would please answer the questions below via email no later than Monday June 24, 2019.

Please send your answers to me at **mpartridge@ultrasystems.com**. If you have any questions I can be reached via email or by phone at: 949-788-4900, extension 222.

- 1. What is the approximate response time from the nearest Police station to the project site?
- 2. What is the current officer to resident ratio for the City of Hanford?
- 3. Would this project require construction of new law enforcement facilities, such as a new police station, to meet existing law enforcement demands, in addition to the proposed project's demands?
- 4. Does the Police Department anticipate any potential environmental impacts from the proposed project related to providing police service to the project site?

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- 5. Could the proposed project have potentially significant impacts on the Police Department's level of service and/or response times?
- 6. If the proposed project has the potential to impact the Police Department's level of service and/or response times, what mitigation, if any, do you recommend to reduce potential impacts?
- 7. Are there any other issues you see with the proposed project related to police services? If so, please describe.

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Best Regards,

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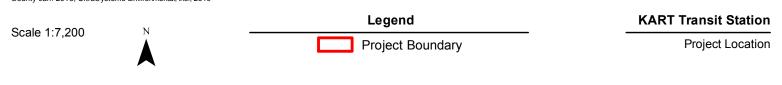
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Attachments: Project Location Map and Station Layout Map



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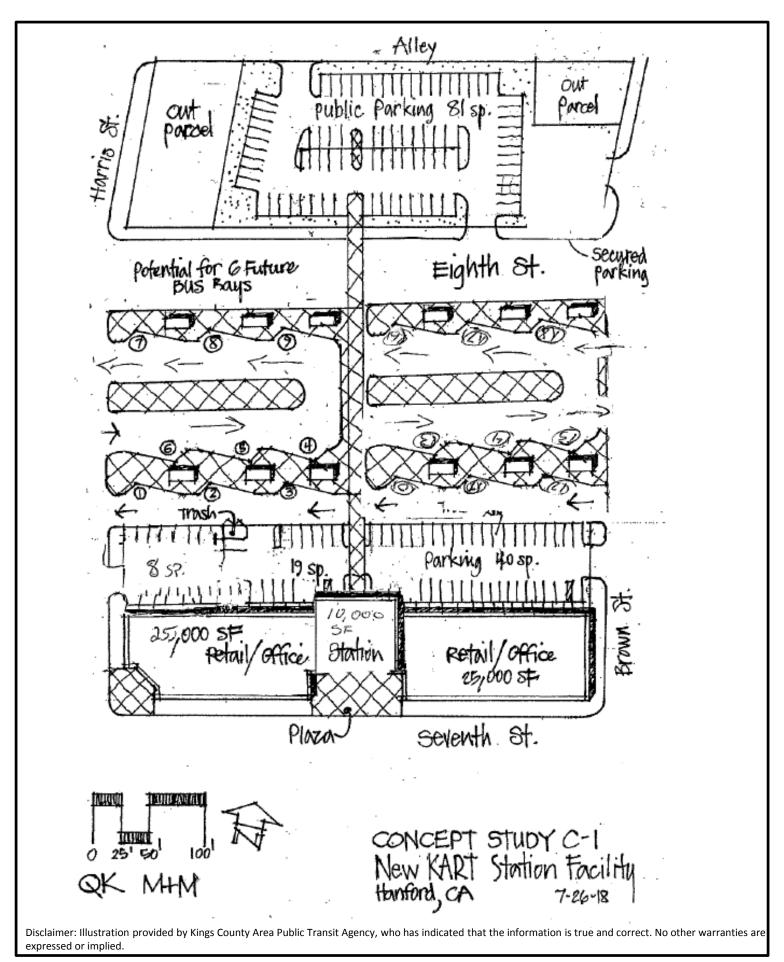




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RE: Information Request Letter for the KART Transit Station Project

Dear Margaret Partridge,

I have reviewed your request for information and I look forward to KART's new project. My responses are as follows:

1. What is the approximate response time from the nearest Police station to the project site?

Response times are affected by a few different factors. Time of day, priority of calls, type of call and location of the officers. It is a bit simplistic to ask what the response time is from the nearest station. I can drive from the nearest police station to the proposed site in under a minute. My police Officers are not typically at the station and this does not consider reporting and dispatching time. The average response time for a call in the area that you are proposing is 15 minutes 32 seconds. This time would be much faster or slower depending upon the call priority and location of the officer. As an example our response time to priority 1 calls is 2:05 and our response time to a priority 3 call is 21:21. These are City wide numbers.

2. What is the current officer to resident ratio for the City of Hanford?

We are currently at roughly 1 per 1000.

3. Would this project require construction of new law enforcement facilities, such as new police station, to meet existing law enforcement demands, in addition to the proposed project demands?

It would not require new law enforcement facilities.

4. Does the Police Department anticipate any potential environmental impacts from the proposed project related to providing police service to the project site?

The Kart Station is a location where the homeless sometimes congregate. This could increase the homeless in this area. The homeless account for a significant amount of police calls.

5. Could the proposed project have a potentially significant impacts on the Police Department's level of service and/or response times?

It has the potential to slow our response time to locations within that area. We currently have the City divided into 81 response areas. This project is in area 42, area 42 and is already one of the busiest areas increased calls from this area may slow our response times, as officers from different beats located further away may be required to assist. The current KART station has averaged 113 calls over the last 3 years. I would anticipate the calls for service to increase significantly upon full build out with an additional 50,000 square feet of office/retail. I would also be interested to know if with this larger site there, is there anticipated additional riders passing through than went through the old site.

6. If the proposed project has the potential to impact the Police Department's level of service and/or response times, what mitigation, if any, do you recommend to reduce the potential impacts?

I would like to see added security measures in place. These measures should include 24/7 led lighting, Anti-loitering measures such as benches designed not to be slept upon and security cameras to cover the terminal and parking lot areas. We would like to see these cameras of the type that could be monitored remotely at our Police Department.

7. Are there any other issues you see with the proposed project related to police services? If so, please describe.

There will probably be an increase in traffic in that area require more frequent enforcement.

Overall, I think the proposed project would be a great project for that area.

If you require any addititional information or follow-up questions, please do not hesitate to email me or call me. (559)585-4730

Thank You.

Police Chief, Parker Sever