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Contents of Supplement: Letter from Penstar Group Item(s)

Attached please find a Supplement to File ID#15-1154). The title of the item is as follows:

Consider adopting minor changes to the Citywide Development Code contained in Chapter 15 of the Fresno Municipal Code, as introduced by the Fresno City Council at the December 3, 2015 adoption hearing for Bill No. B-43 relating to Recycling Centers, Mobile Vendors and Small Scale Entertainment Centers in Mixed Use Districts

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RE: Citywide Development Code
Update

Dear Ms. Clark,

It was a pleasure meeting with you recently to discuss our thoughts and concerns related to the 2035 General Plan and associated development code updates. The Penstar Group's real estate portfolio includes the development of commercial, retail, industrial, and multi-family projects, thus many of our current and future projects will be impacted by these proposed updates. As a result, we have been following the process with great interest. In an effort to gain an understanding of the changes being proposed by the City of Fresno in its 600+ page document, we have participated in numerous workshops and met personally with you and DARM's staff.


Though we initially had reservations with many of the proposed zoning and code changes, as referenced in our letters dated December 8, 2014 and July 13, 2015, together, with your guidance and input from both real estate professionals and the community, we believe the development code, as now proposed, is a flexible and workable document that will serve the community of Fresno well for years to come. Since this document was created in the spirit of flexibility, it should be noted that a document's success is only as good as those administering it. You and your staff are to be commended for your efforts in drafting this complex document. It is our hope that you remain good stewards of the new development code once it is adopted, as well as the process by which development within the City of Fresno occurs in the future.

Cc: Chron File

On behalf of The Penstar Group, we are pleased to support the current version of the Citywide Development Code. Should you have any questions regarding this information, please feel free to contact me at your convenience.

Ms. Jennifer Clark
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Very truly yours,

The Penstar Group

Scott J. Anderson