Attachment B – Appeal Forms



# County of San Diego, Planning & Development Services APPEAL APPLICATION

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Appeal of the above Notice of Exemption (NOE) to CEQA per State CEQA Guidelines 15304 Minor										
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# RE: Appeal of County of SanDiego approval of Notice of CEQA Exemption for PDS2021-STP-14-016M1, 7633 Road to Singapore, San Diego, CA 92127

This attachment to my appeal of the above Notice of Exemption (NOE) to CEQA per State CEQA Guidelines 15304 Minor Alterations to Land.

Specifically, the Applicant's calculation of additional landscaping is faulty and incomplete. Our Civil Engineer, Son Nguyen created an exhibit (attached), that clearly shows the deviation to the approved landscape plan is approximately 30% which is much greater than the allowed 10% deviation. Further, the applicable Special Area Designator Ordinance Criterion 11 requires landscaping to be of "indigenous and drought tolerant plants" and it must be "natural, meandering and informal in layout rather than planting in formal rows or straight lines." The landscaping at issue fails this criterion because it is a hedge wall made of tropical lush honey-suckles native to South Africa that are planted *in a formal straight line* at my rear property line; basically the opposite of Criterion 11. No Exceptions exist for this Criterion including for "vantage points".

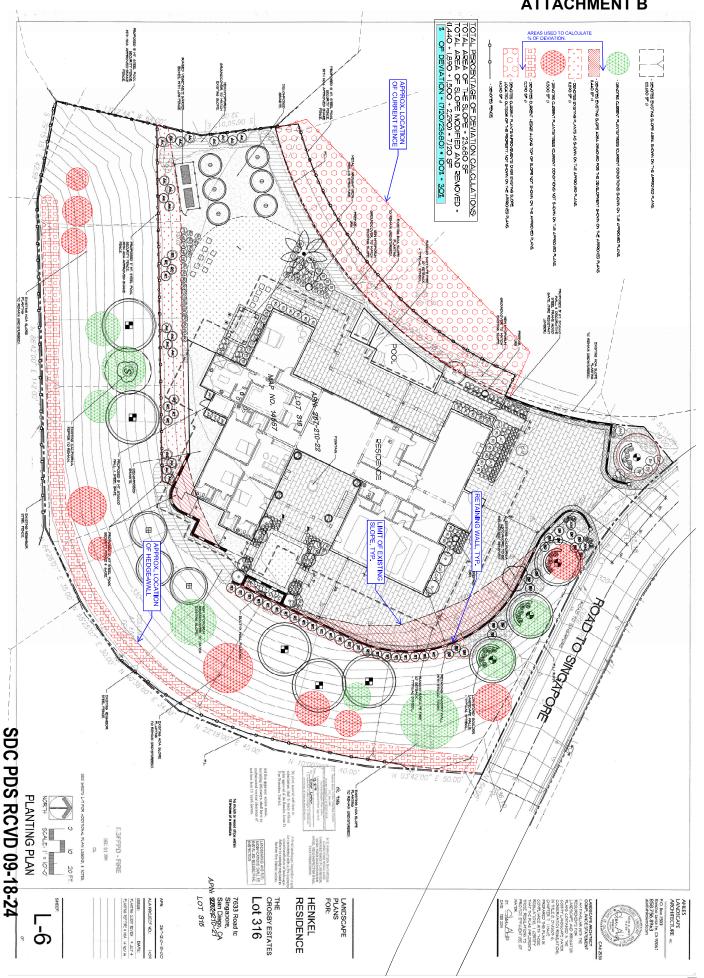
Per County Zoning Ordinance 7609, the Minor Deviation shall not adversely affect adjacent property or adjacent property owners. As my consistent correspondence has emphasized, the changes to the landscaping adversely affects my adjacent property.

That said, since the County approval of the Minor Deviation is not appealable, this appeal will focus on the CEQA NOE.

- 1. The changes to the grading on the slope is in a scenic area as defined by the County through the designation as a "Special Area Designator D1 for visually sensitive hillsides and ridgelines." CEQA Guidelines Section 15304(a) specifically states, "Grading on land with a slope of less than 10percent, except that grading shall not be exempt in ... an officially designated scenic area,..." Section 15304 is not an appropriate exemption for this reason.
- 2. The added landscape is not described as fire resistant in the NOE, just drought tolerant. CEQA Guidelines Section 15304(i) exempts fuel management activities within 30 feet of structures. This change in landscaping is within 30-feet of both the subject property's residence and my residence in a very high fire sensitivity area.

For these reasons, the County's CEQA Exemption based on Section 15304 is *not* appropriate and accordingly we are respectfully requesting a hearing in front of the Legislative Body, Board of Supervsors.

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