

College/Glen Neighborhood Association

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Reference: Letter to Pace from Wilson at Stoel Rives LLP dated August 20, 2008 requesting changes to the draft 2030 General Plan.

The College Glen Neighborhood Association, on behalf of the 3000 households in the College Greens and Glenbrook neighborhoods, takes strong exception to the rationale presented in the subject letter and requests that you reject the recommendation and specific requests presented.

We believe the requested changes to the draft General Plan are inconsistent with the vision developed by community representatives at the numerous workshops held in this area and throughout the city during the past three years. The requests, in our opinion, are self-serving and are not in the best interests of those who live or work in the area adjacent to the Florin Perkins Landfill or the City of Sacramento at large.

We strongly support the zoning changes to Employment Center-Low Rise, which reflects recent development in the area as well as proposed development along the Highway 16 Jackson Road corridor.

We do not support the additional verbiage to the first sentence in section U.5.1.3. *To the extent feasible* which in our opinion, are weasel words that only weaken the intent of the paragraph. We strongly object to the added sentence *Expansion of existing facilities should be given preference to development of new facilities*. This sentence is totally contrary to the intent of the paragraph. It will create a cartel of current operators, limit competition, and result in higher prices for services.

The proposed additions to U.5.1.10 and proposed addition of U.1.18 are an apparent attempt to provide the means for processing green waste at the Florin Perkins facility.

The College-Glen Neighborhood Association strongly opposes any green waste processing at the Florin Perkins facility. The College Greens and Glenbrook Neighborhoods are already adversely impacted by the odors from the green waste processing facility on Ramona Avenue which is three times as far from our neighborhoods as the Florin Perkins site. The City does not need a green waste facility at Florin Perkins and our neighborhood is adamantly opposed to more processing of green waste in our area.

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We believe the rationale offered for the changes is seriously flawed.

- . 1. The permit for the Florin Perkins Transfer Station has been challenged by the College Glen Neighborhood Association and the Power Inn Alliance which represents businesses in the Power Inn corridor, and Council District 6. The matter is under litigation.
- . 2. The site has a long history of questionable operations, code violations, and fires. It is not in our opinion, an asset to the community.
- . 3. We are not aware of any documentation to support a claim that the city is not meeting its recycling goals.
- . 4. We are not aware of any documentation to support a claim that additional facilities are needed to accommodate the solid waste imports to District 6.
- . 5. The City's Department of Utilities, Solid Waste Division, has acknowledged that there is an over concentration of solid waste facilities in District 6 and that the over concentration is exacerbating the adverse environmental impacts on the community and causing an additional expense for the processing of the city's solid waste. The City needs to reduce the percents of solid waste processing in our area not increase the current volume.
- . 6. The referenced "slight change" is not a "slight change" and it would have a adverse impact on the community. It would not improve the quality of life in our area or contribute to the Mayor's goal of making Sacramento the most livable city in America.
- . 7. We are not aware of any documentation to support a claim that the existing facilities will be unable to handle the future solid waste needs of the City including those resulting from development along the Jackson Highway corridor.

Thank you for considering our concerns. If you wish further information, please contact me at (916) 383-6621.

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