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CANYON HILLS PROJECT

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DEIR COMMENT

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To MAYA...

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I Apologize FOR THE LACK of COMPUTER AND TYPEWRITER. I've since RETIRED from the legal secretary world AND CAN NO LONGER use the MACHINERY FOR MEDICAL REASONS. I SINCERELY HOPE THIS INFORMAL letter will NOT STOP you from considering MY WORDS. I've LIVED IN/AROUND Sunland MY whole life ~ THE THIRD generation TO Do so. My background in the legal field has given me A THOROUGH experience in READING extensive documents. I obtained A full copy of THE CANYON HILLS DEIR AND READ IT COVER TO COVER

Honestly, it MUST BE STATED... the DEIR IS LACKING in cohesive OR reliable DATA. Though I would dearly love to be able to expound on THE SHORTCOMINGS OF THE DEIR - I CANNOT for it would fill pages AND pages. My WRITING HAND is unable to MAINTAIN the extensive writing NECESSARY. It is EASY to see (or me, I guess) how the DEIR offers blatant CONTRADICTIONS to the REALITIES we currently face AS A community.

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For instance, our public services; from utilities, SANITATION, TO availability of Police and Fire/AMBULANCE services - ARE impinged upon BY SIX different areas; SIX communities which compete for these services. THE DEIR fails completely in addressing ITS impact on these services AND ultimately THE impact on the various communities already handicapped BY the limited availability of these limited resources.

The other section of THE DEIR which is glaring in its incomplete, inconclusive, misrepresented AND clearly insufficiently researched is on TRAFFIC. THE DEIR is entirely inconclusive about the impact to the already highly congested MAIN Blvd (Foothill Blvd) THIS community. THE congestion has grown exponentially in the last 5-8 years. TO the point of introducing weekly TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND incredible delay in TRAVEL time. THE increased congestion HAS spread TO the sidestreets AND THE DANGER TO small children AND animals HAS become very real.

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THE DEIR, from a legal standpoint, is CRIMINALLY VAGUE about the noise pollution which would accompany THE building of THIS project. NOT TO mention THAT THE DEIR'S misleading "findings" on the Air Pollution (DUST, Diesel fumes); THE light pollution - ARE put forth AS conclusive. Though THE DEIR is presented in authoritative jargon, legally AND coherently - it is DEFICIENT. THE TRUTH MUST BE REPRESENTED HONESTLY AND it is the job of THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO uphold THE laws currently governing development. Though I presume to mention THIS, it is BECAUSE THIS community relies heavily on THIS Department TO represent THE LAW AS IT PERTAINS TO Building allowance or any violations of ordinance.

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I CANNOT stress enough THE importance of HAVING THIS DEIR re-issued. THIS DEIR is incomplete on its assessments TO the long term effects TO surrounding communities. Please insist THAT THE CANYON HILLS project comply TO THE SCENIC PLAN, THE community Plan AND TO all building restrictions.

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Thank you!!! Athena Knight-Garcia