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RE: Northgate One Renovation Project, File Number ED08-112

Dear Ms. Parker,

This letter combines various emails and documents items we discussed on the phone. The Terra Linda Homeowners' Association (TLHOA) is in favor of renovations to the Northgate One area and is pleased to see plans to improve the pedestrian path of travel in front of Safeway. We think the following suggestions would improve community connections and be in keeping with the character of the neighborhood:

- Change palm trees in the landscaping plan to indigenous trees
- Include pedestrian path of travel improvements from Nova Albion Way to link to the proposed improvements at the north-east corner of Safeway
- Add a kiosk (all-weather bulletin board) similar to the model by Global Industrial at [http://www.globalindustrial.com/gcs/prod/30156138/i/productInfo.web?utm\\_source=yahoo\\_shop&utm\\_medium=cpc&utm\\_campaign=BulletinMarkerBo-yahoo\\_shop](http://www.globalindustrial.com/gcs/prod/30156138/i/productInfo.web?utm_source=yahoo_shop&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=BulletinMarkerBo-yahoo_shop) in the Courtyard area. TLHOA is willing to be responsible for policing the contents within the locked kiosk. The TLHOA appreciates the use of the proposed electronic messaging center that will update the pylon sign, but still see the greater benefit to a community bulletin board.
- Install bicycle parking utilizing the Marin County Bicycle Parking Program at [www.walkbikemarin.org](http://www.walkbikemarin.org). This program provides partial reimbursement to businesses and agencies that install bicycle parking facilities in a convenient location for use by patrons and/or employees. The Northgate One plan should consider a few bicycle lockers that could link with SMART and commuters desiring secure, protected bicycle parking area, in addition to bicycle racks.
- Renovation funds saved through a bicycle parking grant from the Marin County Bicycle Parking Program should be used to fund a Courtyard kiosk.
- Prefer dry design elements for children to play on instead of a "kid-friendly" fountain in the Courtyard area.
- Prefer design elements that would provide seating for customers and community members in the Courtyard area

Yours truly,

Reuel Brady  
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