



**PVE Foundation Response to
Resident Allegations Regarding the City Hall Needs Assessment**

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Over the past few months, several individuals have sought to undermine the City Hall Needs Assessment project, providing inaccurate and untruthful statements and allegations. This serves as a response to those allegations.

It is common knowledge that our City Civic Center has not been adequately maintained and has deferred maintenance. It does not meet current code or the current requirements of the LA County Fire Department. One of the Foundation's objectives is to provide a means to augment funding for projects the City does not have adequate resources for.

The core scope of this services agreement includes a City Civic Center economic analysis which focuses on analyzing the necessary actions, timing and estimated costs required to remediate the deferred maintenance, correct deficiencies (such as ADA requirements), address the inadequate Fire Station and to bring the structure into compliance.

The services agreement also included a conceptual analysis of alternative uses for the parcels. The parcel of land that was defined for consideration included the parcel extending from Palos Verdes Drive West back to Tejon Place, Via Corta on the north, and includes the open lot south of the existing structure. Recognizing that PVE is economically constrained the question was posed, what alternative uses could be considered that might provide incremental revenue to the City and satisfy our public safety needs while maintaining the character of the community?

The goal of the Foundation and its donors is to provide a professional independent analysis from a world-renowned organization addressing a critical need within Palos Verdes Estates. The City and the community need to understand, consider alternatives, and evaluate its options. Whatever is ultimately determined, the community will demand all options are considered along with the timing and costs associated therewith. These decisions will have an impact on future tax requirements and this needs analysis will be the first step to help residents become informed and educated.

The scope of this project is exclusively a needs analysis. There is no recommendation or building activity associated with the project. The project was bid out to multiple companies and it was determined that the company chosen provided the best experience, perspective and collaborative working relationship.

No Board Member is a part of the company chosen or has any interest in it.

It is unfortunate that some residents would seek to find impropriety when the generosity of concerned residents and the chosen company have been overwhelming.