
**CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED
FOR THE
APRIL 7, 2008
CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

Memo

Date: February 29, 2008

To: Pasadena City Council Members

From: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors

Re: April 7th vote on Historical Landmark designation for 1000 E. Cordova Street

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Dear Council Member, *Mayor*

CITY CLERK
CITY OF PASADENA

We, the majority of the newly elected 2008 board, represent approximately two thirds of all homeowners at Whispering Waters Association located at 1000 Cordova. We want to express our sincere gratitude for the postponement of your vote on the historical landmark designation for our building. We appreciate that you did not make a hasty decision in favor of only a few people who want this designation.

You heard from only three owners, Matt Dillhoefer, Fried Wilson and Marion White at the last hearing. They represent only a very small minority of the owners.

It is crucial for you to know the truth behind what has been presented to you by these three owners. While on the board they used over \$60,000 of homeowners' money in preparation for the plan to restore the reflection pools in front of the building. The estimated cost of this project is \$450,000. The initial \$60,000 was spent without homeowners' approval. In addition to the cost of the renovation of this opulent waterscape, the maintenance alone would increase the dues by an estimated \$80 per month, per unit.

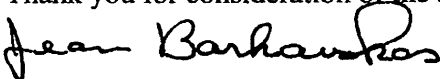
Mr. Dillhoefer, Mr. Wilson and Ms. White want only this very expensive project and they are seeking a means to force it on the owners. They are using the Historical Commission and the City Council to achieve their personal goals! White and Wilson also have a legal action in process against the Homeowners' Association in an attempt to achieve these goals.

We know that the Historical Commission would not allow us to demolish the pools in favor of a different- but not less beautiful- low maintenance front design. However, the majority of homeowners cannot afford to pay for the proposed expensive project. What is your alternative for those who cannot pay, especially the elderly? We ask for your help and support!

A majority of owners have signed a statement saying that they do not want this expensive restoration. We informed the City Council of the Association's position prior to the last meeting, yet this statement appeared in your report: "As a group the Association has not registered their opinion on landmark designation".

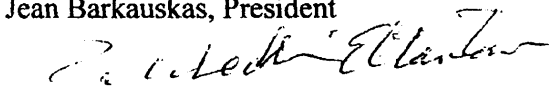
We would like an explanation of why our opinions (approximately 30 emails) all got lost! We are sending the attached survey results to you again and trust that you will honor the wishes of a majority of owners and make a just and compassionate decision to **vote against** the historical landmark designation of our building.

Thank you for consideration of the above matter.

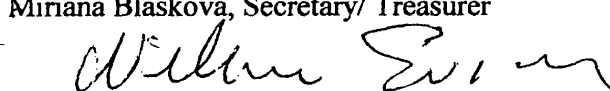


Jean Barkauskas, President


Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/ Treasurer



Ali Eltantawi, Vice President


Will Evison, newly elected member

TO: PASADENA City Council
FROM: Owners of condos
1000 Cordova, Pasadena, CA

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Re: Survey

Majority of the owners
do not want

historical landmark designation
and/or the cost of the
proposed plans to restore
the front pools.

DANIEL DAVID CASPI

[REDACTED]
Pasadena, California 91106

[REDACTED]

unit
101

September 12, 2007

Dear Whispering Waters HOA Board:

I do not wish the Historic Monument status for Whispering Waters, and I do not want Scheme A, the front pool project.

Sincerely,



Daniel Caspi

(unit
104)

1. I, Miriano Blasuro, unit 10,
do not want historical ~~de~~
designation of 1000 Cordova,
Pasadena

2. I do not want pool resto-
ration in the front - estimated
cost \$ 450,000 (Scheme A)

Sept. 12, 2007 M Blasuro

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UNIT
10.

1. WILLIAM EVISON, DO NOT
WISH WHISPERING WATERS TO BECOME
AN HISTORIC MONUMENT

2. I WILL NOT VOTE FOR THE FRONT
POOL PROJECT, ESTIMATED AT \$450,000
+ \$79 PER MONTH IN INCREASED UNIT
DUES — DESCRIBED AS "SCHEME A"

William Evison

Unit
103

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Albert Green Unit # 103

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT?

Check one: Yes No

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEMEA"? (The estimated cost is \$450,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$79 per unit, per month for maintenance)

Check one: Yes No

Signature: Albert Green Date: 9/16/07

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From stevenljulian893@aol.com
Subject Scheme A
Date Mon, September 17, 2007 9:36 am
To J.barkauskas@att.net,cappal@webtv.net

Pending no viable alternative plan, I oppose Scheme A as proposed by MIG and recommended by the WW Building Committee.

Steve Julian
September 17, 2007
Unit 106

Email and AIM finally together. You've gotta check out free [AOL Mail!](#)

unit
108

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: PERRY & TRISH ELLIOTT Unit # 108.

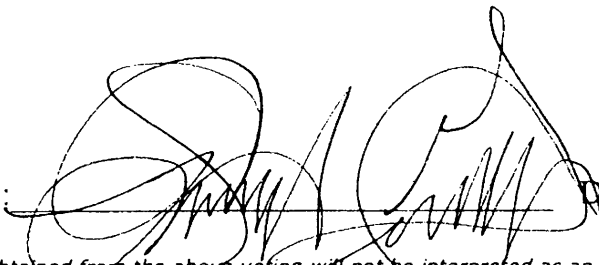
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Check one: Yes No

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEMEA"? (The estimated cost is \$450,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$79 per unit, per month for maintenance)

Check one: Yes No

Signature:



Date:

9/12/07

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Unit
109

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Philip Georgiev Unit # 109

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT? (Check one)

Yes No

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY TURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEME A" (The estimated cost is \$70,000 plus on hand for the 1 1/2 years of \$1000 per month for maintenance)

Yes No

Signature or typed name if in an email: Philip Georgiev

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110

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Gary Hindoyan Unit # 110

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT? (check one)

yes no

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED: "SCHEME A"? (The estimated cost is \$450,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$79 per unit, per month for maintenance)

yes no

Signature: Gary Hindoyan Date: 9-18-07
(by proxy)

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Unit
205

TO: John English
Design & Historic Preservation Section
George Ellerey Hale Building
175 North Garfield
Pasadena, CA 91109

FROM: Carol Dawes
17 North San Mateo
Ventura, CA 93004

*Carol Dawes
9/30/87*

RE: Marion K. White's Application for Historic Monument status for 1000 East Cordova Street

As an owner of a condominium located at 1000 Cordova (#205) I adamantly oppose the designation of 1000 Cordova Street as a Historic Monument. It is a 1960's condominium complex which has NO reason to be designated historic. It is in no sense historic! I trust that your Board will deny this application.

cc: Jean Barkauskas, Chairman of Board of Whispering Waters (1000 Cordova)
Will Evison, Board Member of Whispering Waters

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UNIT
207

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Jean Barkauskas Unit # 207

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT? (Check one)

YES NO

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEMATIC" AND GRANT OF A DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AS REQUIRED BY THE PASADENA HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION?

YES NO

Signature or typed name if in an email:

Jean Barkauskas

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From: ADenila@aol.com
To: j.barkauskas@att.net
Subject: (no subject)
Date: Mon, 17 Sep 2007 02:33:35 +0000 []

unit
208

Alden, Will said that you did not get a copy of the letter to sign; so you can type your response below and type in your name- instead of signing and return to me. I will submit this with the other letters. Thanks, Jean

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Alden Denali Unit # 208

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT? (Check One)

yes no

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOL USING THE PROPOSED PLAN BY PUKIS ROSE DESIGNATED ARCHITECTURE? (The estimated cost is \$150,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$70 per unit per month for maintenance)

yes no

Signature or typed name if in an email: alden denila

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Unit
209

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Elaine Porter Unit # 209

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT? (Check one)

Yes No

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PERKINS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEME"? (The estimated cost is \$150,000 per pool. The estimated cost of \$79 per square foot of pool area.)

Yes No

Signature or typed name if in an email: Elaine Porter
by phone JB

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Unit
301

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Naouma Karanavakian Unit # 301

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT?

Check one: Yes No

Don't have enough information to make a decision yet.

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEMEA"? (The estimated cost is \$450,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$79 per unit, per month for maintenance)

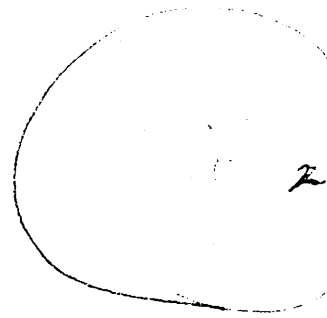
Check one: Yes No

Signature: Naouma Karanavakian Date: 9-17-07

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P/B
PK

From: cappa1@webtv.net (Cappa) > [Save Address](#) > Reminder
To: alexbark@dslextre.me.com, j.barkauskas@att.net
Subject: Fwd: RE: VITAL NEED!
Date: Tue, 18 Sep 2007 19:46:08 +0000 [[View Source](#)]



Shirley's NO vote. Alex, can you cut out the junk (and my question) and make a hard copy? I think this is the best we're going to get.

Barbara told Danae last night, about the Historic status.. "The vote was unanimous".. well, I hope it really DOES raise the property value. I wonder WHY determines that?

Matt and the gang will say "The property values will now go up...but ONLY after we approve Scheme A"... tough luck, guys!

Attached Message

From: Cappa2@webtv.net (Will) [[Save Address](#)]
To: Cappa1@webtv.net
Subject: Fwd: RE: VITAL NEED!
Date: Tue, 18 Sep 2007 12:25:57 -0700

Attached Message

From: "Jahad, Shirley" <sjahad@scpr.org> [[Save Address](#)]
To: Will <Cappa2@webtv.net>
Subject: RE: VITAL NEED!
Date: Tue, 18 Sep 2007 11:37:17 -0700

i would like to see additional bids on lower cost alternatives that would include lower monthly maintenance costs.

thanks for all your work on this will.

-----Original Message-----

From: Will [<mailto:Cappa2@webtv.net>]
Sent: Tue 9/18/2007 11:24 AM
To: Jahad, Shirley
Subject: VITAL NEED!

Shirley, on Thursday Bill Ney, the balcony guy is coming over and we're going to try and get all the small stuff done. WE STILL NEED YOUR YES OR NO VOTE ON SCHEME A...Just for your information, Steve voted NO. Your choice, but please write me a quick email and just say "I support

Unit # 304

Date: Sept. 17, 2007
To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission
Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.
CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:
Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: ANAIT POSTOIAN Unit # 304

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Signature : ANAIT POSTOIAN Date: 9/10/07

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305

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Ali Eltantawi Unit # 305

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT? (Check One)

Yes No

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEME A"? (The estimated cost is \$100,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$10 per unit per month for maintenance)

Yes No

Signature or typed name if in an email: Ali Eltantawi

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Unit
306

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: PETER LUNA Unit # 306

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT?

Check one: Yes No *Need more information of implications, costs, etc.*

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEMEA"? (The estimated cost is \$450,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$79 per unit, per month for maintenance)

Check one: Yes No *don't know alternatives*

Signature: Peter Luna Date: Sept. 17, 2007

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Unit
307

Date: Sept. 17, 2007

To: Pasadena Historical Preservation Commission

Re: Marion White's Request for 1000 E. Cordova St.

CC: Whispering Waters Association Board of Directors:

Jean Barkauskas, President, Will Evison, Vice President, Miriana Blaskova, Secretary/Treasurer, Matt Dillhoefer, At Large

From: Susan Blainfield Unit # 307

1. DO YOU WANT 1000 E. CORDOVA TO BE DESIGNATED A HISTORIC MONUMENT?

Check one: Yes No

2. DO YOU WANT TO RESTORE THE POOLS USING THE PROPOSED DESIGN BY PURKIS ROSE DESIGNATED "SCHEMEA"? (The estimated cost is \$450,000 plus an increase in monthly dues of \$79 per unit, per month for maintenance)

Check one: Yes No

Signature: Susan Blainfield Date: 9-11-07

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unit
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From: cappa1@webtv.net (Cappa)
To: alexbark@dslextreme.com, j.barkauskas@att.net
Subject: Fwd: Roof Repair vs Pool Restoration...
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2007 21:14:35 +0000

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From: lindm@ncat.edu [Save Address]
To: Cappa1@webtv.net
Subject: Roof Repair vs Pool Restoration
Date: Tue, 9 Oct 2007 13:46:51 -0700

The Lind's would like to retract our vote for the pool assessment. We no longer support the pool restoration.

Instead, I vote for roof repair for those on the 3rd floor where we have experienced leaks. Our unit 308 has had 2 leaks.

My cell is 336-549-6549. You may call me at any time.

Mary R. Lind, Professor
NCA&T School of Business and Economics
New Business School Building
Greensboro, NC 27401
call: 336-549-6549

Attachment 1: Roof Repair vs Pool Restoration.html (Message/RFC822) Displayed Inline

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Attached is
a letter from
Pasadena Dept.
of Water and Power
which recommends
that we not fill
the pools with
water.

CITY OF PASADENA

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From: cappa1@webtv.net (Cappa) > [Redacted]
To: alexbark@dslextreme.com, j.barkauskas@att.net
Subject: Fwd: RE: Re Large water features at a condominium complex
Date: Sat, 8 Sep 2007 23:24:41 +0000 [Redacted]

A reminder...

Attached Message

From: "WPD_Answerline" <WPD_Answerline@cityofpasadena.net> [Redacted]
To: "Cappa" <cappa1@webtv.net>
Subject: RE: Re Large water features at a condominium complex
Date: Thu, 10 Aug 2006 12:50:05 -0700

Mr. Evison,

Thank you for your question. One of PWP's goals is to encourage both water and electric conservation and efficiency. We encourage our customers to consider using "California Friendly" plants for landscaping, they require much less water than traditional plants and turf. Many of our customers have incorporated river rocks, pebbles or boulders to create dry creeks or river beds. Another benefit is that during warm weather, water features tend to attract mosquitos. For ideas on landscaping with California Friendly plants, visit our website and click on "your water" then "Irrigation and Landscape Design".

-----Original Message-----

From: Cappa [mailto:cappa1@webtv.net]
Sent: Thursday, August 10, 2006 6:54 AM
To: WPD_Answerline
Subject: Re Large water features at a condominium complex

Good day. My name is William Evison, and I reside at Whispering Waters (currently without water) at 1000 Cordova Ave, #102, in Pasadena (626-793 3658)

We live in a 4 story complex, constructed in 1960, on the South side of Cordova just off Lake Ave, on the corner of Mentor.

For years we had a large decorative pool which stretched on block long.

It's been non functional and EMPTY now for at least 5 years. We do keep it clean and drained.

There is significant argument about the cost of repairing and restoring the pools (they had spraying fountains, etc.). The cost is very high, and maintenance high, but MY QUESTION...if you care to answer it...is "Is it wise now, with high energy costs and environmental concerns, to restore the pools?...or should we just think about putting in landscaping?"

I would really appreciate a brief comment from Pasadena Water and Power.
Thanks..

The easiest way is to respond to me via email.....my address is
Cappa1@webtv.net

I thank you! William Evison