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Subject: FW: CIP Comments

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To: Jomsky, Mark
Cc: Thyret, Pam; Wilson, Andy; Brian Baker
Subject: CIP Comments

Mark,

I would like to submit the following comments for part of the record for the consideration of the 2018-2022 CIP that is on tonight's Council agenda:

The Playhouse District Association is currently engaged in discussions with City staff and others regarding a proposed study of a public park on the Union/El Molino City-owned parking lot. You may recognize that the PDA has historically been supportive of a joint parks/parking project on the site, but it is premature to determine the impacts for the Playhouse District as the current planning process is incomplete. Thus, the PDA has not yet taken a formal position on the matter as timing is premature. However, please know that the PDA and some of our stakeholders have recently expressed concerns about the proposed reduction of public parking spaces to accommodate a public park. The PDA is protective of the limited public parking as an economic driver but recognizes the competing and desirable demands for the site. Should the funding allocation for site design as part of the overall CIP budget be approved, we expect that ongoing discussions and a future design phase will yield a mutually acceptable result for the site.

Kind regards,

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