



April 7, 1999

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Re: Oakland Raiders

Dear Mr. Kessler:

This is in response to your letter dated March 30, 1999.

Please be advised that we are not aware of any contact by the Oakland Raiders or their representatives with City of Pasadena or Rose Bowl officials regarding a possible relocation of the Oakland Raiders franchise to Pasadena.

The City cannot take responsibility for the remarks that third parties may choose to make in pursuit of their own objectives, and in that respect, we hope not to be further injected into whatever situation in Oakland gave rise to the sending of your letter.

It is important to emphasize, however, that the City and the Rose Bowl will continue to participate, as each sees fit, in the intensely public dialog about the potential NFL expansion franchise being discussed for the Los Angeles area. These discussions are not intended to induce the move of any existing franchise in contravention of existing contractual rights; we trust that participation in such a dialog, implicating many important public policy issues, will not be construed negatively by you or your client.

Please feel free to contact me if I can be of assistance.

CHRIS HOLDEN

Mayor

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City Council City Manager

City Attorney

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