



April 9, 2016

Mr. Flinn Fagg, AICP  
Director of Planning Services  
City of Palm Springs  
3200 E. Tahquitz Canyon Way  
Palm Springs, CA 92262

Dear Director Fagg,

At the city's March 8, 2016 Historic Site Preservation Board (HSPB) meeting, a motion was made to allow the applicant (the Palm Springs Preservation Foundation (PSPF)) to amend the Class 1 Historic Site nomination of the Town & Country Center (T&CC) to include the additional recommendations of the HSPB and those of any third parties (e.g., the owner's representative). Recommendations not directed by the HSPB were to be included in the nomination at the discretion of the applicant.

Accordingly, the following amendments to our Class 1 Historic Site nomination are made:

1. Directed by the HSPB:

- On page 7, in the table entitled "Number of Resources within Property" insert a "1" in the "Non-contributing" column on the "Buildings" line to reflect the building associated with the 181 North Indian Canyon Drive address. On page 16, at the end of the paragraph, add the note: "Note: The building associated with the 181 North Indian Canyon Drive address is deemed non-contributing."

- At the top of page 17 (before "BACKGROUND") insert a paragraph entitled "LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE" to read as follows:

The landscape architecture of the Town & Country Center includes planters integrated into the building design (e.g., the elevated planter at the second-story entrance to the Town & Country Restaurant) and planting beds integrated into the concrete flatwork of the courtyard. The design of these courtyard planting beds (as shown in the site plan contained in the 1951 book *Shopping Centers, Design & Operation*) are rigidly geometric and are intended to compliment the modernist architecture of the complex. Historic photographs suggest that the palms, olive trees, and informally composed plant materials were part of the original installation. They are a character-defining feature of the complex's architecture.

2. Amendments accepted by the applicant from the owner's representative or third parties:

- On page 7, paragraph 4, add to the "Architects:" entry "and Richard Harrison (firm names included Jones & Williams, Clark & Frey and Wexler & Harrison)."

- On page 13 add the historic address "152 North Palm Canyon Drive" to the entry on the Bank of America Building. (Note: The structure associated with this address was considered part of the Bank of America Building but is added for accuracy.)

If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact PSPF board member Ron Marshall at (760) 837-7117.

Sincerely,



Erik Rosenow  
President