

December 12, 2015

Mayor Robert Moon City of Palm Springs 3200 East Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

Subject: ITEM 1.B. CONSIDERATION OF AN AMENDMENT TO THE MUSEUM MARKET PLAZA SPECIFIC PLAN AND ADDENDUM NO. 2 TO THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (CASE NO. 5.1204 SP A-1)

Dear Mayor Moon,

We are attaching our letter of November 7, 2015 to the Planning Commission as it contains the foundation's opinions and recommendations concerning the subject plan. As you know, the November 12, 2015 Planning Commission meeting turned into a 5½-hour long marathon session. While the meeting helped expose the many flaws in the subject plan (and its amendments), little of real progress was accomplished.

As you will note, page 13 of the Specific Plan before you proposes the demolition of the Town & Country Center (T&CC) (1948, Paul R. Williams and A. Quincy Jones).

Recently, the California State Historic Preservation Office formally determined that the T&CC is eligible for both the state and national registers of historic places. Accordingly, the foundation will soon re-submit the Class 1 Historic Site nomination for the T&CC to the city's Historic Site Preservation Board for subsequent hearing by the city council. This will afford the current city council the opportunity to finally remedy the leadership failures of previous city councils.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the foundation at info@pspreservationfoundation.org or (760) 837-7117.

Sincerely,

Erik Rosenow President

Enclosure:

PSPF Letter of November 7, 2015 (with enclosures)