

## YOUR VOICE

### Make T&C part of the deal

I hope that the Palm Springs City Council will consider inclusion of the Town & Country Center in the 1090 settlement claim being offered by its owners, Grit Development.

The Center is an important part of local history and should play a part in the revitalization of downtown.

*Dante Noto, Palm Springs*

### TC&C deserves consideration

Palm Springs is a mecca of the mid-century architecture. People from all over the world visit our city to see the wonders of the mid-century architectural design.

I don't understand why preserving and restoring the Town & Country Center to its original glory is an issue. It is an historical site, and once restored, will generate a tremendous amount of revenue to the city, and even to the developer.

I hope the City Council takes this opportunity and

makes the right decision by including the T&CC in the 1090 settlement.

*Felicitia Pentdo, Palm Springs*

### I back this move

The Palm Springs Preservation Foundation has advocated for the preservation and restoration of The Town & Country Center for 10 years. I am writing to express my support for inclusion of The Town & Country Center in the 1090 settlement agreement being offered the city by the owner of The Town & Country Center.

*David Dunn, Palm Springs*

### An open letter

Dear Honorable Robert Moon and City Council Members:

I am writing to encourage and implore you to protect and preserve The Town & Country Center using whatever negotiations, powers and laws that you can

bring to bear to save and restore the complex. This is, to my architect's eye, very important to protecting a building complex that is vital to the historical fabric of Palm Springs buildings. I left L.A. years ago, and when I go back, all I see are slick new developments that have replaced iconic buildings, no matter their provenance and architectural importance. There is no tapestry created by buildings from all eras left. We cannot have this happen in Palm Springs without suffering the same fate.

The Town & Country Center, in addition to being a Class 1 Historical Site as declared by the Palm Springs City Council itself, was designed by two of the most admired architects of the 20th Century: Paul Williams and A. Quincy Jones. In my opinion, Palm Springs is lucky to have such an exemplary complex left largely intact.

Surely it is within your power to save the building. I urge you to use whatever power you have to make this happen.

*John Powell, Palm Springs*