From:	Erik Emri
То:	CITY CLERK
Subject:	Walktober
Date:	Tuesday, October 3, 2023 8:41:24 AM

Dear City Council members and City Clerk,

My wife and I are long-time Costa Mesa residents and we love it here. Unfortunately, I can't say this city is pedestrian and family friendly when it comes to our streets. For us, this begins right on our doorstep.

We live in Mesa Verde and cross Mesa Verde Drive East (between Adams and Baker) 4x a day - walking our dog, walking our daughter to school. There are no protected crossings, there are plenty of blind spots due to the twisty nature and trees lining the street. Worst of all, it's a speedway! Cars rarely do the speedlimit, the local car dealerships use this stretch as a driving loop for customers to test performance cars, and the majority of cars use it as a shortcut to avoid Harbor and Adams traffic. We have to run across the street - often carrying my daughter - daily to make it safely across.

I implore the city to take a look at this street. There are schools nearby, there are more kids in the area than even 5 years ago, and it seems that rules and regulations that govern this street aren't fit for today's pedestrian population.

With gratitude, Erik

From:	Colin Cody-Waters
То:	CITY CLERK
Subject:	Walktober Initiative and Pedestrian Infrastructure
Date:	Monday, October 2, 2023 8:13:03 PM

In observance of "Walktober" and "Walk to School Day", I'd like to take the opportunity to voice some ways I think our pedestrian infrastructure could use some attention.

We reside in College Park and, while we enjoy many aspects of living in the city, our experiences with walking - even short distances to places like our daycare less than a mile away or down Wilson to Harbor Center have been persistently challenging and often unsafe. Navigating a double stroller through obstacles on the sidewalks and alongside fast-moving traffic is unnerving and, frankly, it's discouraging us from making the healthier and more environmentally friendly decision to walk instead of drive.

Costa Mesa is becoming more dense, which is largely positive, but it's also highlighting the problems of overcrowded parking and non-pedestrian-friendly pathways. It's a bit of a dilemma.

It's apparent that our sidewalks need an overhaul. Wider pathways would provide enough space for walkers, strollers, and unsupervised youths on e-bikes to coexist without the unnerving near-misses. Additionally, implementing some basic pedestrian safety measures, especially in areas where foot traffic is heavy, would significantly improve the situation and, I believe, encourage more residents to leave their cars at home for short trips. Costa Mesa is already a great little city, and I'd love to make it more pleasant.

Your consideration of this matter is appreciated.

Thank you for your time,

Colin Cody-Waters

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Cc:	CITY CUNCIL; CITY CLERK; assemblymember.petrie-norris@assembly.ca.gov; senator.min@senate.ca.gov; Katrina.Foley@ocgov.com
Subject: Date:	Proposed Emergency Operations Center on Fairview Developmental Center Monday, October 2, 2023 11:02:50 PM

Honorable Mayor and City Councilmembers:

The State of California is trying to put a square peg into a round hole.

The location of a proposed Emergency Operations Center project on the Fairview Developmental Center property is inappropriate because the site has been designated for badly needed affordable housing.

In June 2022, the California Legislature adopted a budget which, among other things, gave the City of Costa Mesa funding for the management of the planning of affordable housing on FDC. See SB 188, which added Section 14670.31 to the Government Code.

During the past year, the Office of Emergency Services has been interfering with that planning by incrementally carving off more and more of the available 102 acres of FDC for its proposed EOC. Assemblymember Cottie Petrie-Norris noted this in her scoping letter dated April 15, 2023. While SB 188 states that the Department of General Services may transfer land to other state agencies, to date that has not occurred. I doubt it is the intent of DGS to reserve nearly 15% of the FDC property for a use that would highly impact the development of the remainder for housing.

Gov't Code Section 14670.31(a)(7) states "It is the intent of the Legislature that the Fairview Developmental Center property be utilized for a mixed-use development, including mixed-income housing. The development would include and prioritize affordable housing, including at least 200 units of permanent supportive housing, and open space."

Gov't Code Section 14670.31(c)(4) provides "The agreement shall require that housing be a priority in the planning process and that any housing proposal

determined to be appropriate for the property shall include affordable housing. The agreement and the development plan shall provide for housing and affordable housing at a level consistent with the January 2020 council-adopted strategy of 1,500 units and the housing assessment in the Department of General Services' 2021 Infrastructure Assessment of up to 2,500 units for the site."

The plan for building an EOC on FDC conflicts with the stated priority in the legislation as well as Governor Newsom's two executive orders.

The environmental impacts of the proposed project on the nearby community would be great, despite the statements in the Draft Environmental Impact Report that any impacts could be mitigated. The nearby residents would be subjected to three years of noise and pollution during construction, and then would have to live with a large orange and white communications tower with continuously blinking red lights, and the Blackhawk military helicopters that would take off and land from the military-grade helipad.

The most damaging of the environmental impacts would occur during actual emergency operations. There would be considerable air pollution, presumably from the diesel trucks that would be going in and out of the facility and idling while delivering/picking up supplies from the warehouse. You may have seen in the report that the reason for expanding the project was the State determined it needed more warehouse space to store disaster-related supplies and equipment.

In Section 3.5.5 of the DEIR, the last sentence is very informative: "Helicopter activity during emergency operations is speculative and cannot be quantified." In other words, there could be a hundred flights in and out each day during emergency operations.

Also, Section 4.7.5 states: "The project would develop an Emergency Operations Center in Southern California that would mirror the operations of the existing State Operations Center in Mather, California, and act as a backup Emergency Operations Center in the event that operations at Mather are interrupted." This is the camel's nose under the tent. It is the intent of the State to expand this project to eventually become a much larger facility like the one in Mather, and the likely reason for building a roadway extension through a nearby unimproved lot, thus rendering it difficult to develop.

The City will be required to produce its own Environmental Impact Report in connection with its planning for the remainder of the property. The impacts of this project will need to be disclosed in that document as well.

I ask that the City work to convince the State to remove FDC from its consideration for the location of the EOC, and that the preferred alternative location for the project in Tustin be studied instead. This would enable the City of Costa Mesa to focus on a specific plan for FDC that would best suit the needs of the community and future residents.

By copy of this email to Assemblymember Petrie-Norris, Senator Min, and Supervisor Foley, I request that each of you assist the City and its residents in this regard.

Thank you for your attention.

Cynthia McDonald

Please see email below from a resident.

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From: KATHERINE ARTHUR <karthur1@me.com>
Sent: Monday, October 2, 2023 3:00 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <CITYCOUNCIL@costamesaca.gov>
Cc: Hnetal@me.com
Subject: Oppose Emergency Ops. Center at FDC in Costa Mesa

Dear Mayor and Council: we're reaching out to ask you to <u>aggressively oppose the development of</u> <u>an Emergency Operations Center in the middle of Costa Mesa</u>. It's the wrong location for all sorts of reasons and it belongs in a more industrial area... not the heart of our city surrounded by residential neighborhoods.

This would have a very significant impact to the city and most residents are unaware that this is being considered. As such we hope you will consider doing a mass mailing to CM residents to encourage them to get involved and reach out to their state electeds.

Sincerely, Katie Arthur/Herb Netal 400 Cabrillo Street From:HAUSER, JANETTo:GREEN, BRENDA; TERAN, STACYSubject:FW: Fairview Developmental Center/State Emergency Operations Center ProjectDate:Monday, October 2, 2023 4:43:11 PMAttachments:image003.jpg

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From: Larry Amor <larry_amor@yahoo.com>
Sent: Monday, October 2, 2023 4:42 PM
To: CITY COUNCIL <CITYCOUNCIL@costamesaca.gov>
Subject: Fairview Developmental Center/State Emergency Operations Center Project

This is in reference to the meeting just held by the state at the FDC.

Since the Costa Mesa FDC is not the preferred site, why are they even addressing Costa Mesa? AS you may notice the preferred site is vacant land already in the hands of the state. The site in Tustin / Redhill Ave will not impact home values, with aircraft noise and high rise antenna lights.

This project should not be considered in Costa Mesa! OPPOSE IT!

Larry Amor 1875 Wren Circle Costa Mesa

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

From:	Wendy Simao
То:	CITY CLERK
Subject:	Meeting 10-3
Date:	Tuesday, October 3, 2023 5:44:57 AM
Attachments:	Screenshot 20230929 200758 Drive.jpg

Here is the CUP I'm going to be referring to tonight. It's for the UFC gym on Harbour from 2016. Wendy

requires the business operator to institute appropriate operational measures necessary to eliminate a parking problem, including, but not limited to, providing valet service or shared parking agreement with adjacent property (subject to prior approval of a conditional use permit) when parking shortages or other parking-related problems arise. Also, a condition of approval requires the existing access gates near the rear parking lot to be closed during the less busy late night hours to prohibit parking along the rear portion of the site.

Noise

The proposed UFC Gym site is a commercially zoned property. (C1 zone). The existing building is oriented toward Harbor Boulevard; however, the partially enclosed workout area

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is located along the rear portion of the building. The property does not abut residentially zoned property; however, residentially zoned property (Camden Martinique Apartments) is located approximately 60 feet to the northeast. The applicant measured the total distance between the commercial building and the nearest residential structure; they are approximately 228 feet apart. During the daytime hours, noise impacts as a result of the UFC Gym are not anticipated due to normal business operations of nearby commercial properties and traffic along Harbor Boulevard; however, noise impacts associated with the UFC Gym, such as dropping weights, exercise equipment, yelling, and loud music, could potentially occur during late night hours and affect nearby residential properties. Conditions of approval require the UFC Gym to install thick rubber type flooring for the weight room, and that the weights be rubber coated to reduce any clanging noise. Further, any amplified music sound system will be required to be reduced within the enclosed gym, and completely turned off within partially enclosed area. In addition, late night patrons will be required to park within the parking spaces closest to Harbor Boulevard, and the existing gate along rear parking lot is to remain locked between 11PM and 6AM.

Staff Justifications for Approval

Staff supports the above requests based on the following:

 The proposed use, as conditioned, is compatible with the uses in the surrounding The proposed physical fitness facility will be located along Harbor area. Boulevard near other commercial uses, including automobile dealerships and various retail uses. The General Plan designation for the project site is General Commercial and the zone is C1 (Local Business District), which allows for physical fitness facilities through approval of a conditional use permit. As such, the proposed gym is not considered a use that will increase density or intensity allowed per the General Plan designation and zoning. The project site does not abut residentially zoned property, however properties within the Planned Development Residential-High Density (PDR-HD) zone are located approximately 60 feet beyond the rear property line. The proposed use will be within a building that is set back 107 feet from rear property line, and approximately 228 to the nearest residential structure. Conditions of approval require the use to be conducted in a manner that will allow the quiet enjoyment of the surrounding neighborhood (Condition #4). In addition, this conditional use permit does not authorize live entertainment or special events, such as exhibitions and tournaments, to be conducted on the premises unless approval of proper permits (Condition #5, #6).

CONDITION #4: The business shall be conducted, at all times, in a manner that will allow the quiet enjoyment of the surrounding neighborhood. The applicant and/or business owner shall institute whatever security and operational measures are necessary to comply with this requirement. Operational measures to reduce noise impacts shall include the following:

- a. The business shall utilize thick rubber type flooring mats in the weight room, and rubber coated weights to reduce any clanging noise.
- b. The rear parking area shall be locked and not used between the hours of 11PM to 6AM.

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From:	David Martinez
То:	CITY CLERK; STEPHENS, JOHN; HARLAN, JEFFREY; HARPER, DON; GAMEROS, LOREN; MARR, ANDREA;
	CHAVEZ, MANUEL; REYNOLDS, ARLIS
Subject:	Comment on Consent Calendar Item 6
Date:	Saturday, September 30, 2023 6:55:45 PM

Members of the City Council,

On June 15, 2021, the City Council considered and approved the purchase of 6 new police motorcycles. Video of the meeting is available <u>here</u> with the minutes available <u>here</u>. As part of the motion to approve, the City Council gave the instruction to "explore the option to purchase electric motorcycles in the future."

Since it has been more than 2 years since this instruction was given, I expected some information about this to be included in the Staff Report for Consent Calendar Item 6. Instead, no mention was made of the option for electric motorcycles.

Duluth, GA has 3 electric police motorcycles in their fleet (though I can't say I completely endorse the off-road usage, I'd recommend an e-bike for that) Fairport, NY has an electric police motorcycle. Marquette University Police Department also has an electric police motorcycle. Moab, UT purchased a few So has Livermore, CA And Panama City, FL

So, it's been used in the field already so previous concerns about lack of precedent or testing are no longer there. I think we should have already been looking into this, so we should postpone this item until the Council's prior motion is properly addressed.

Best, David Martinez