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Dear Planning Commissioner

My name is Peter C Hargens. I am an attender Of the Orange Grove Quaker Meeting, 520 E Orange Grove Boulevard Pasadena CA

I am writing you concerning the creating of over lay zoning in connection with property belonging to religious organizations. I believe that zoning in reference to religious property should be changed so that housing can be put up for low income and supportive housing for the homeless. There is an old saying that goes what you do good for the body you do good for the spirit and what you do good for the spirit you do good for the body. Therefore, it is not enough to lift up the spirit and not lift up the condition of people in the physical world in the keeping with love[care for] thy neighbor and the statement in the New Testament that says: as much as you do for the least of these you do unto me. Religious organizations with the churches synagogues are mosques will be able to help in some very concrete ways by having such zoning overlays put in so they can reach not only the soul of people but the body of people as well. In medicine, the realization, that you can not divorce mind and spirit from the body if you want a fuller. healing of an individual to occur is becoming more and more accepted. Therefore please grant this zoning change or overlay as it may be called. It will do much good for the health of our city in the short run and the long run. This is a time in our history we have an opportunity to make tremendous changes for the good and the evolution of society. Thank you for considering the above statement.

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