



February 22, 2022

Chair Srinivas Rao, Design Commission Members

VIA EMAIL

RE: Support of Central Park Apartments Project

Chair Rao and Commissioners,

The Board of Directors of the Pasadena Chamber of Commerce supports the addition of housing to Pasadena's built environment. We are fully supportive of the Central Park Apartments project and approval of the Sustainable Communities Environmental Assessment (SCEA) for the project.

The Central Park Apartments will add a quality building Pasadena can be proud of. Further, it is walking distance to Old Pasadena, METRO light rail and bus lines and has easy access to the 210 and 110 Freeways without requiring drivers to traverse residential neighborhoods.

The project is attractive and will be a quality development. It is reflective of the original vision for the Green Hotel and will complement the Castle Green. Central Park Apartments replaces an underutilized surface parking lot with over 6,000 square feet of retail and restaurant space and 84 residential units. It will be a benefit to Pasadena and the neighborhood.

At the Chamber, we appreciate quality development that enhances our built environment and contributes positively to the local economy.

The Chamber Board of Directors encourages the commission and the City Council to support the Central park Apartments project and approve the SCEA, when it is appropriate.

Thank you for giving your time, energy and insight into making Pasadena a better place for residents and businesses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Little".

Paul Little
President and CEO

Cc: M. Takeda, D. Reyes