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We are submitting comments regarding the Wednesday, August 2 hearing on project location 3161 E. Orange Grove Blvd., Pasadena, 91107.

We have concerns about this project, the proposed use of this public land, and the previous history with this applicant.

1. This project directly affects members of the Eaton Canyon Neighborhood Association, and has tremendous potential to increase traffic, noise, and dust. We recently lobbied the City for a signal at Orange Grove and Sunnyslope (about to go into operation) due to the speeding along this section of street. Now we are concerned this development will move more traffic onto Paloma Ave. which already has countless 'racers' going by.

2. The description of the project allows for 4 structures plus 7,000 sq. ft. of canopies. We would like to see a detailed map of where these will be placed. The positioning of these structures and tents can both negatively impact several backyard spaces, along with increasing dust and exposure to small creatures.

3. This applicant, Present Perfect Nursery, Craig Toma, has submitted this proposal previously. His staff has attended our Neighborhood Association meetings and zoom calls. We have been promised things by his staff that never materialized:

- clean up of the property, removing the weeds and trash;
- no storage yet a large tent held junk including surfboards and unused equipment;
- limited access to the property by the crews yet again crews drove in, dumped more unsightly items and departed; and
- countless messages left requesting updates that were never responded to.

As representatives of the Eaton Canyon Neighborhood Association we are requesting:

- a detailed schedule of the project which will be adhered to,
- copies of the layout plan, and
- efforts to minimize dust and traffic.

Finally, we request direct access to the city staff member who will be overseeing this project, to properly and effectively represent our views as residents of Pasadena.

Thank you for your review of our comments and we look forward to hearing from you.

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