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Ms. Candy Rosales - City Clerk's Office
Planning and Land Use Committee
200 N. Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Via E-Mail clerk.plumcommittee@lacity.org

Re: Case # CPC-2013-1495-CU-PA1-2A (Tri Lake Charter School Properties LLC)

Dear Mr. Ms. Rosales:

This letter addresses the matter noted above, originally heard on February 21, 2023 – and continued to tomorrow the 7th of march.

This letter is to be submitted to the Planning and Land Use and Management committee prior to tomorrow's meeting.

I live approximately 300 feet from the subject property (PUC Schools) at 13361 Glenoaks Blvd, in Sylmar. I have lived here for 43 years.

First, let me say that we support the Charter high schools that are operated by PUC Triumph / Tri-Lake Charter School Properties LLC. The schools offer an above average learning experience and opportunities for many students in the area. As the Commander of Mission Division LAPD and the SLO's can confirm, I was involved in protecting the site and the partially completed school buildings, from vandals and random skateboarders who cut through the fence and trespassed during the time the site sat abandoned.

I oppose most of the proposed amendments to the Conditional Use Permit(CUP) granted to the schools at the time the CUP was granted. Those proposed uses include being allowed to rent out the school for filming, to allow non-school "Special Events" and the discontinuation of the required annual compliance reporting requirement.

Although the schools do make an effort to control or regulate some of the problems which arise, the problems nevertheless persist. Those include students and their parents who flaunt the rules and parking requirements prohibiting parking and pick-up of students in the adjacent neighborhoods surrounding the school. Students and parents who tell the residents to "Blank-off"(insert expletive here) when they are found parking in the neighborhood, and other such activity. At times when "Special activities" occur, we are frequently unable to park at our own homes because students, parents and friends literally clog the small neighborhood streets surrounding the school. On more than one occasion, I have had to speak to Daniela Ponce, the Campus Operations Manager regarding the parking issue. More than one student who, in violation of the rules imposed by the CUP and the school, has been expelled for abusing the rules and swearing at neighbors, who, in spite of the problems, support the school's existence.

As to filming at the school, we have had experience with the large semi-trailers being brought in, and having the surrounding neighborhood marked as "No Parking", and enforced by retired and off duty LAPD motor-officers. This usage is not acceptable, and is in violation of the school's CUP.

While I appreciate the school's existence, the reality is that the surrounding neighborhood consists of small, often cul-de-sac streets, not suited to large volumes of traffic and parking. In the morning, when student drop-off occurs, Glenoaks Blvd. is down to a single lane due to the fact that the line to drop off

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students stretches over a quarter of a mile north, all the way to Roxford street.

I would ask that, as with other neighboring residents who have opposed the changes proposed here, that the changes to the CUP be denied, and that the school be required to continue to provide an annual compliance report.

Sincerely,

Richard T. Haight