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To: Cristobal Carrillo < <u>Cristobal.Carrillo@visalia.city</u>> **Subject:** Visalia Public Cemetery District Response

Cristobal

Below are the answers to your questions. Also attached is Exhibit A and another attachment with property owners who have reached out to VPCD to purchase their properties. Let me know if you have any questions.

1. Answer the question about why Cemetery has not pursued purchasing land for a second cemetery.

There are several factors involved with this decision. As stated at the Planning Commission hearing the VPCD owned 80 acres near Houston and County Center. It was sold in 2004 as starting a new second cemetery was not financially feasible. Then in 2005 the VPCD came to the Planning Commission and City Council and requested approval of the 2005 Master Plan which was approved giving them the green light to purchase property within those boundaries. They have done so in good faith over the last 18 years, purchasing lots. This brings us to the current request to rezone the properties to QP and move forward with our 2005 master plan. Another consideration is the increased overhead of operating an additional cemetery and the cost to the consumer. Currently, Visalia Cemetery charges \$3,483.25 per burial site while Tulare, operating 2 cemeteries charges \$4,205.50 per site. Also, the Tulare Cemetery District receives 21.65% tax revenue while Visalia receives 11%.

2. More detailed data on cemetery capacity:

The existing facility has 1743 burial sites available and sells 260 per year which allows for 6.7 years of available capacity. Along the Rinaldi Frontage, the increase of burial sites within rezoned property and the 300 contiguous feet allows for 4,160 sites equating to 16 years. The additional

property that is not rezoned or currently all owned by the cemetery would allow for 5,720 burial sites equating to 22 years. Additionally, along Turner St. there is a portion that is owned by VPCD, zoned QP and contains the 300 contiguous feet. This would allow for 650 available sites equating to 2.5 years. The additional area along Turner in the master plan would equate to 8 years of capacity. The increased master plan boundary along Turner would allow for 10 years of expansion capacity (Please see revised exhibit A)

3. Better address how the Cemetery acquires properties and better lay out what the plan is for existing residences under the Cemetery's ownership.

The VPCD purchases property at fair market value and has never used eminent domain. Please see attached correspondence from property owners along Rinaldi requesting that the cemetery purchase their homes. The existing residences that the cemetery owns would be removed as the need arises. Please see Phase 1 as indicated on the attached exhibit A depicting the vacant land.

- 4. State whether renters of cemetery owned homes are informed that the unit will eventually be destroyed. Via lease or some other mechanism?

 Per California state law they must be given 60 days; however, the VPCD gives 90 days.

 The rental agreement is month to month. When renting the property thru MillCreek Management they are not told that the property is cemetery owned.
- 5. Consult with the attorney for the cemetery to see if they COULD use eminent domain if they wished to do so.

Per the California Health and Safety Code Chapter 4, Code 9041b to acquire by purchase, eminent domain, grant, gift, lease, or other lawful means, any real property within the district or any personal property that may be necessary or proper to carry out the purpose and intent of this part.

Thanks Walter

Walter T. Deissler Architect 559-901-0500 may 25 '95

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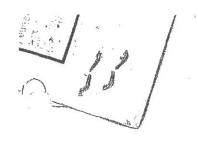
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January 18, 2001 To Whom it may concern: I Judy Costa have a house at 708 N. Rivaldi St, Visalia, Cal. I would appreciate it if you Could have an apprasial done on the house seeing what bind of a price it would be to sell it to the cornetery district. I understand that I am under no obligation to pay for an apprasial Thank You Judy Costa 625-2284



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June 16, 1982

Moses & Nellie Solis - 720 N. Rinaldi, Visalik. 720 N. Rinaldi Visalia, Calif. 93291

Dear Mr Solis:

The cemetery is prepared to purchase your property in the amount of \$52,000.00. We are prepared to pay cash, or terms. We would like to hear from you at your earliest convenance if this price meets with your approval.

