



**STRATFORD
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February 4, 2016

Ms. Trudi Ryan, Director
Community Development Department
City of Sunnyvale
456 W. Olive Avenue
Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Re: Appeal of Planning Commission decision - Project #2014-7990, 1500 Partridge Ave.

Dear Ms. Ryan,

Please accept this letter as our official appeal of the Planning Commission's decision to deny a Use Permit at 1500 Partridge Avenue for use as a private school. The decision was rendered by the Planning Commission on January 25, 2016.


We respectfully disagree with the decision the Planning Commission made and include, herein, the reasons for reopening this CUP application at the City Council level.

After reviewing all comments, both by the public and by the Commissioners, it was evident two major concerns were the focus of the opposition—Stratford's intended recreational use of Raynor Park and the perceived traffic impacts to the neighborhood. We maintain that the Commissioners did not fully understand Stratford's proposal on those two issues.

We are prepared to show the City Council that, 1) the Joint Use Agreement forged between the City and Stratford will serve to ensure that *local* Sunnyvale children become the majority population found within the school. We will effectively become a neighborhood school and this agreement serves to safeguard local residents' continued use of the park. In fact, we are prepared to show that the Stratford school and park use will actually benefit Sunnyvale residents by building a stronger community; and, 2) our plans and preparations for the number of vehicles accessing the Raynor campus will not cause undue congestion to the neighborhood, nor will the majority of traffic be coming from outside communities.

We appreciate the City's efforts in helping to prepare our CUP and EIR submissions and anticipate a productive discussion with the City Council on February 23rd. If you have any questions about this appeal, please feel free to contact me as soon as possible.

Sincerely,



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