



October 9, 2008

HAND DELIVERED

Members of the City Council  
Steve Kueny, City Manager  
City of Moorpark  
799 Moorpark Avenue  
Moorpark, California 93021

RE: School Site in the Highlands Development  
City of Moorpark Cooperation in Locating a Future School Site  
Suspend Request for Release of School Funds in the CFD

Dear Members of the City Council and City Manager Kueny:

The Board of Education has spent considerable time in recent months studying factors related to student enrollment projections and potential needs in the community for a future school. Based upon this analysis and after considering all options, the District recently initiated negotiations with Pardee through legal counsel to determine the company's willingness to enter into an agreement to terminate the purchase agreement.

Until the issue is resolved, the District hereby suspends its December 7, 2007 request for disbursement of the purchase funds from the CFD.

During recent Ad Hoc Committee meetings, Council members voiced their personal commitment to assist the District locate and secure a future school site during the planning of future development in the community. According to the City's population projections, of a peak of 45,000 inhabitants possibly between the years 2020-2025, a proportionate student generation factor will yield somewhere around 8900-9000 students which will completely fill or exceed classroom capacity throughout the school district. At such time, the community will feel the need for another school in order to maintain optimum school sizes and to address peak grade level enrollments. Therefore, the Board is asking the City to formalize the commitment for a future school site through a Memorandum of Understanding or other appropriate mechanism to revise the General Plan of the community to include a school site in the northern part of the City.

We look forward to working with you to ensure that school facilities planning and city planning are in sync in order to provide the community with the best possible services for the residents and their children.

Sincerely,

Ellen Smith  
District Superintendent

cc: Board of Education  
Jim Bizzelle  
John P. Yeager

