

From: [W. Scott Wildman](#)
To: [Nick Vasuthasawat](#)
Subject: RE: Application 1910-07
Date: Tuesday, December 10, 2019 9:33:14 AM
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Nick,

Thanks for responding to my concerns regarding the proposed community garden. I have reviewed the material, visited existing gardens, and talked to J Corso.

My concerns as stated in my previous email have been addressed. I am in favor of the community garden project and will support the path forward. I have class tonight and will not be able to make the meeting but would like you to communicate this message to the Long Beach City council.

Sincerely,
William Scott Wildman



From: Nick Vasuthasawat <Nick.Vasuthasawat@longbeach.gov>
Sent: Friday, December 6, 2019 9:36 AM
To: W. Scott Wildman <wswildman@cox.net>
Cc: Joseph Corso <joe@longbeachorganic.org>
Subject: RE: Application 1910-07

Hello Mr. Wildman,

Thank you for your interest in this project. I will certainly enter these comments into the record and forward accordingly to both the applicant and council members. See my response to comments in **red** below. Also, the applicant cc'd in this email is also available to answer any additional questions regarding their business operation that you may have.

Thanks,

Nick Vasuthasawat
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From: W. Scott Wildman <wswildman@cox.net>
Sent: Wednesday, December 04, 2019 3:25 PM
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Subject: Application 1910-07

Dear Nick,





I received the notice for a public hearing on December 10th and wanted to voice my concerns as the owner of the property next door at 924 Redondo Ave, Long Beach.

- Parking- will there be a parking lot (rear?) on the property for the users ? There is limited street parking in this area. Should every plot renter be there at the same time there will be no street parking for the adjacent properties. **The community garden does not require parking to establish the use, as the garden is intended to serve the immediate**

area and encourage walking and biking to the site rather than by automobile.

- Fencing- the fence on the north side of the lot is only 5' high chain link. Will this fence be replaced with a 6'6" fence ? The current fence can be easily climbed making it a security issue for the adjoining apartment building. **The existing fence will be improved with a new fence, which Staff has included as a condition of approval for the project. The final design of the fence, material, and height is still to be determined by the applicant.**
- Lighting- Will there be lighting installed on the property ? **No lighting is proposed for the site and the proposed hours of operation will align with the daylight hours from 7:30 am to dusk.** Low dim landscaping lighting shouldn't be an issue but higher flood lights will present an inconvenience to the apartment building residents. **N/A**
- Access- will there be access after dark ? With the shorter days in the winter, people tending to their gardens will disturb the apartment building residents. **Actual closing times will vary upon the season but there will be no operations beyond dusk. Staff has included a condition of approval solidifying the hours of operation as well.**
- Security- will there be locked gates for only the renters of the plots ? **There will be a pad lock with code given to paid members only.** The city's homeless may find this a convenient place to set up camp. This will limit the access of the plot.
- Noise- How will excessive noise be addressed by the owners Long Beach Organic or others ? **Noise generated from the garden will be subject to the decibel levels allowed in the district (which is 65 dBA, for district 3). For additional insight, see examples noise sources and range of sound generated below.**

COMMON SOUND LEVELS AND THEIR NOISE SOURCES

Noise Source	A-Weighted Sound Level in Decibels (dBA)*	Subjective Loudness
 Near Jet Engine	140	Intolerable
 Civil Defense Siren	130	
 Hard Rock Band	120	
 Accelerating Motorcycle at a few feet away	110	
 Pile Driver; Noisy Urban Street/ Heavy City Traffic	100	Very Noisy
 Garbage Disposal	90	
 Pneumatic Drill; Vacuum Cleaner	80	
 Near Freeway Auto Traffic	70	Loud
 Average Office	60	
 Light traffic; Soft Radio Music in Apartment	50	Moderate
 Average Residence without Stereo Playing	40	
 Soft Whisper	30	Faint
 Rustling Leaves	20	
 Human Breathing	10	Very Faint

*A-weighted sound readings adjust for low frequencies, similar to the how the human ear perceives sound. An increase of 10 decibels is often perceived by the human ear as "twice as loud" whereas a decrease of 10 decibels is often perceived as "half as loud." Please note perceived noise levels vary depending on distance from the source.

I will try to be at the public hearing on Dec 10 but am having neck surgery a few days before and may be still recovering. Please present these issues to the applicant and council during the meeting and reply in writing. **Ok.**

Sincerely,

W. Scott Wildman

