Presentation to Long Beach City Council Meeting

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The Dorado project will offer an outstanding opportunity to both new and current residents of the city in the form of a high end community located in a part of the city that has seen limited development over the past five decades.

As part of a group that has followed the path of this project from its inception to the present, and as a member of a church formerly housed at the same location, I can personally attest that there has been infinitely more support than pushback for the development of this visionary proposal.

The northwest quadrant of the neighborhood most affected by this development has shown wide support for the project; the vast majority of the negative comments, in fact, have referenced the lag in final approval by the city, resulting in an unsightly space inhabited by individuals posing possible threats to the health and safety of adjacent residents.

Preface has demonstrated a clear alignment to with the city's core values through its commitment to this project by actively addressing these concerns in ways such as ensuring a continual physical presence at the site, hosting numerous open door meetings for local residents and even offering the space to Long Beach officers to conduct training at no cost to the city.

The City of LB has a long history of being a cutting edge entity that supports thoughtful concern and consideration of its residents. The Dorado project is clearly in concert with this vision through a plan that includes safe, affordable, accessible, contemporary housing that will enhance this segment of the city. The unique, contemporary living space, combined with the safety of a gated community, central park area and accessibility to all that the city has to offer will continue to showcase the city to its best possible advantage and secure Long Beach's reputation as one of California's finest places to live, work and play.

Thank you for your time, attention and consideration to the future of your city.