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July 20, 2006

Mark Christoffles, City Engineer City of Long Beach 333 West Ocean Boulevard 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Long Beach, California 90802

RE: Proposed Ralph's Remodel/4th Street & Orizaba

Dear Mr. Christoffles:

I am concerned about the Proposed Plans for the remodel of the Ralph's Market located on 4th and Orizaba.

I own the home adjacent to the Ralph's Market on Orizaba and have 5 children, one of whom is a special needs child. The proposal calls for the driveway to Ralph's to be moved so it will be 23 feet from my driveway. The common wall that Ralph's and my home share is 4 ½' tall.

The proposed driveway is inherently dangerous and I believe will result in property and/or personal injury damages. The driveway is to be used for deliveries to the store and for customers to enter and exit the parking area of the store. With the driveway so close to my home and other residents on my block, there is a strong probability a child or an adult will be struck by a vehicle. Children are not always as careful as they should be and the approval by the City to put a driveway so close to residences is not safe. Furthermore, I have a large vehicle which spans about 20 feet so when I pull out from my driveway my vehicle will be a target for cars pulling out of Ralph's driveway so close to my home. My children will not be safe in our front yard with the driveway so close.



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I believe the relocation of the Ralph's driveway so close to my home and closer to all the residents on Orizaba is dangerous and the City should take a closer look at alternative solutions. Safety lights and other provisions should be taken to insure that a child or other person is not struck by a vehicle using the Ralph's driveway. The fence may need to be heightened, or other steps taken so that I can safely enter and exit my driveway. This is a residential neighborhood with many children running around, and delivery drivers and customers of Ralph's need to be reminded of that fact as they are entering and exiting the parking lot. If they are not, the City will be assuming a huge liability by approval of the plans as currently proposed.

Your professional courtesy and attention to this matter is appreciated.

Sincerely

Mara T. Perez-Kozackzinski

## Vivian N. Phan 376 Gladys Avenue #4 Long Beach, CA 90814

July 24, 2006

City of Long Beach City Engineering Bureau Construction Management Division 333 West Ocean Blvd. 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Long Beach, CA 90802

Subject: Proposed vacation of the Northerly Portion of the alley south of 4th Street between Orizaba & Gladys Avenues.

To Whom It May Concern:

I have few objections to the above proposed subject:

- 1. Noise disturbances
- 2. Constant traffic (especially Ralph's loading trucks)
- 3. Dangerous for thief jump inside my property (since the wall is so low)
- 4. Vandalisms
- 5. Etc....

If you have any questions, please contact me at 562-433-9477. Thank you.

Vivian Phan

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## CITY OF LONG BEACH

## **DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

June 30, 2006

To:

Homeowners and Residents on the Block South of Fourth Street

Between Orizaba and Gladys Avenues

SUBJECT: PROPOSED VACATION OF THE NORTHERLY PORTION OF THE ALLEY SOUTH OF FOURTH STREET BETWEEN ORIZABA AND GLADYS AVENUES

The City of Long Beach is preparing to relocate the northerly portion of your alley as a part of the expansion of the Ralphs Market at 2930 E. Fourth Street. The new alley is to be 20 feet wide and located as shown on the attached sketch. Relocating the alley requires both the vacation and dedication of right-of-way property. On June 13, 2006, the Long Beach City Council adopted a resolution of Intention for this action.

The required Public Hearing is scheduled for August 1, 2006, in the City Council Chambers, Plaza Level of the City Hall, 333 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, at 5:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard. Any and all persons having objections to the proposed vacation may appear before the City Council and present their objections. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call Sue Castillo, Right-of-Way Coordinator, at (562) 570-6996.

Sincerely,

Gillis Monroe

Construction Services Officer

Division Manager

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Enclosure