

MEMORANDUM

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FROM: DIRECTOR OF PLANNING, BUILDING AND CODE ENFORCEMENT

DATE: SEPTEMBER 2, 2008

SUBJECT: THE ANNENBERG FOUNDATION PUBLIC EDUCATION FACILITY AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS AT LOWER POINT VICENTE

REVIEWED: CAROLYN LEHR, CITY MANAGER

Staff Coordinator: Ara Michael Mihranian, AICP, Principal Planner

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the Annenberg Foundation to initiate the entitlement process for the proposed Lower Point Vicente improvements identified in the Vision Plan.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Annenberg Foundation is requesting that the City Council allow it to submit the necessary entitlement applications for their proposed education facility on indigenous animals, outdoor museum, and other on-site improvements identified in the Vision Plan document at Lower Point Vicente. Initiating the planning process by authorizing the Foundation to file the appropriate planning applications does not constitute approval of the proposal, but rather accepts the design concept at Lower Point Vicente identified in the Vision Plan and allows the project proponent, which in this case is the Annenberg Foundation, to move to the next step, that being design and environmental review by the Planning Commission. Furthermore, authorizing the Foundation to move to the next step also allows the Council to begin discussions with the Foundation regarding development agreements and lease agreements to ensure that the proposal under consideration includes adequate public education components and fiscal commitments stated by the Foundation.

BACKGROUND

The Vision Plan, which is being considered by the City Council under a separate agenda item, identifies Lower Point Vicente as a key site for educational facilities. The Annenberg Foundation is proposing to sponsor the improvements identified in the Vision Plan for Lower Point Vicente by constructing a state-of-the-art education facility,

an outdoor museum, and on-site improvements that focus on educating the community and school visitors about the relationship of animal life on the Peninsula in terms of ocean and land, and people and animals.

If the City Council approves the Vision Plan this evening, the Annenberg Foundation is requesting that the City Council authorize the Foundation to initiate the planning entitlement process by submitting the appropriate Planning Applications for the proposed improvements at Lower Point Vicente (see attached letter).

DISCUSSION

Proposed Project at Lower Point Vicente

As described in the Vision Plan, the proposal at Lower Point Vicente includes the construction of a state-of-the-art education facility featuring educational exhibits related to animals, including dogs, cats, horses and indigenous animals, to complement the Interpretive Center and its marine exhibits, as well as outdoor amenities intended to cohesively integrate the two structures. The facility would focus on providing education, volunteer and community service opportunities, animal adoption services, and interactive exhibits that would provide opportunities to learn about animal science, behavior, and care. The Center envisions providing resources to the school district, as well as animal care specialists.

The general goals of the proposal are twofold:

- To create a model learning destination and educational programs that preserve the beauty and uniqueness of Lower Point Vicente and complement the mission and work of the Point Vicente Interpretive Center; and,
- To provide interior and exterior spaces that celebrate the bond between humans and nature, teach families about the unique ecology of domestic and indigenous animals, offer a model animal adoption program and open the center to the community for educational, civic and recreational use.

The project proposed by the Annenberg Foundation envisions achieving these two goals through the following site improvements:

- Constructing a public educational facility, including a theater for education and public use, that would complement the existing Point Vicente Interpretive Center (PVIC)
- Constructing an outdoor history museum consisting of the following features:
 - A reconstructed Tongva Village
 - An interactive archaeological dig
 - A water conservation garden
 - Ecology stations
- Expanding the existing parking lot to accommodate anticipated visitors
- Constructing a drop-off area for vehicles and buses

- Expanding the network of on-site trails
- Constructing a trailhead
- Constructing pedestrian pathways throughout the site
- Constructing new public restrooms
- Improving way-finding and interpretative signs.
- Constructing an overlook
- Constructing a donor recognition site.
- Upgrading and adding picnic benches and trash bins throughout the site.
- Planting of native plants throughout the site (grassland and habitat restoration)

It should be pointed out that the proposed education facility is estimated to be approximately 30,000 sq. ft. split between two levels for a footprint of 15,000 sq. ft. When combined with the 10,000 sq. ft. footprint for PVIC, the total building footprint would be approximately 2.6% of the roughly 20-acre site. Furthermore, the proposal includes constructing the educational facility utilizing “green” building standards (LEEDS certification), such as a grass roof, and re-vegetating the site with native plants. The combined site improvements are intended to enhance the existing amenities and to make Lower Point Vicente more of an inspiring and welcoming place that would benefit the community at-large.

Concept Development Process

The concept for Lower Point Vicente, similar to the entire Vision Plan, was developed through extensive public outreach that involved participation from numerous community groups, organizations, and individuals, as well from City Council and City Staff. This outreach consisted of three public workshops, which resulted in over 250 comments from approximately 165 individuals over a two-year period (see Vision Plan Staff Report). This public input together with the City’s existing planning documents (General Plan, Coastal Specific Plan, etc.) was used by Melendrez to develop the various Vision Plan design concepts, including the concept for Lower Point Vicente.

In addition to this public outreach, the Annenberg Foundation made it a point to solicit input from many Peninsula organizations on the proposed project at Lower Point Vicente. To achieve this, a Community Advisory Cabinet was established by the Foundation to assess the community need for a public education center that would focus on the compelling story of animal life on the Palos Verdes Peninsula, celebrating the bond between domestic and indigenous animals and humans. The Cabinet was comprised of local veterinarians, docent members, City Staff, members of the PVPLC, members of the Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District and a professional design team. Working in collaboration with the Vision Plan preparation process, the design concept for an education facility began to take shape in terms of location, programming, services, design and opportunities.

In addition to the Advisory Cabinet, the Foundation sought input and direction from the City Council and the Council-Subcommittee (Mayor Stern and Councilman Long) on the proposed education facility at the Vision Plan workshops held in October 2006 and November 2007, as well at various meetings. Furthermore, numerous comment letters

on the Annenberg proposal were submitted to the City during the public comment period on the Vision Plan. Based on the input received during this two-year process, the Foundation's design team refined the proposal to the project that is being considered this evening.

Community Outreach

The Annenberg Foundation spent the past year speaking to the following community organization to better understand the community perception of their project:

- Homeowners Associations, including the Council of Homeowners Associations (CHOA)
- Palos Verdes Peninsula School District and its educators
- The Rotary Club
- Chamber of Commerce
- Peninsula Seniors
- Council of PTA Presidents
- South Bay Wildlife Rehabilitation
- LA County Department of Animal Care and Control
- Community leaders
- Presentation at the November 2007 Vision Plan Workshop
- 4H Club

According to the Foundation, as well as Staff observation, the general consensus received from the presentations given to the above community organizations has been support for the proposed project.

Project Location

As part of the development process undertaken by the design team, identifying a suitable location for the education facility was given great weight during the early conceptual stages. According to the Foundation, Lower Point Vicente was sought as the ideal location for the proposed project for the following reasons:

- The proposed project would complement the educational component of the Point Vicente Interpretative Center.
- The project would complete Phase III of the Interpretive Center (something which has been planned by the Los Serenos docents for several years, but couldn't be completed due to insufficient funds).
- Lower Point Vicente and the Point Vicente Interpretive Center serve as a destination point for the community, visitors, and school children.
- The project would be close to other destination points along the City's coastline, as identified in the Vision Plan. These destinations include the Terranea Resort, Abalone Cove, Wayfarers Chapel, the Palos Verdes Nature Preserve, and Trump National.

- The topography allows the design of the project building to be integrated into the natural contours of the site with minimal impact to the surrounding environment and views from Palos Verdes Drive West and neighboring properties.
- The coastal setting of Lower Point Vicente provides a tranquil and welcoming feeling that supports the educational and recreational goals of the project.
- The ability to enhance the site for public enjoyment including passive recreational amenities.

The Foundation believes that this project will enhance the educational opportunities currently offered at PVIC through the use of architecture, art, exhibits to inform the public about the unique geology of the Peninsula, history, marine ecology, terrestrial animals and habitats. The Foundation is proposing to provide habitat restoration and native planting throughout the site. For the reasons listed above, the Foundation strongly believes that Lower Point Vicente is the ideal location for their project. The majority of public comments related to Lower Point Vicente during the Vision Plan planning process supported this viewpoint, although some comments suggested that the proposed facility should be located on a different property.

Authorization to Proceed

If the City Council authorizes the Foundation to submit the necessary entitlement applications for the proposed project, it will enable the Annenberg Foundation's design team to produce the detailed plans (site plan, architectural plans, grading plans, etc.) required by the City's entitlement process. It is during the entitlement process that public hearings would occur at the Planning Commission level to address all issues related to the proposed project, including as environmental review, parking, circulation, building design and height, drainage, and other planning-related items (see discussion below). Furthermore, discussions also can begin (on a separate track than the entitlement process) between the City and the Foundation regarding the potential terms of a lease agreement, the Foundation's contribution to ongoing maintenance, the relationship with the PVIC, the provision of security, and other operational and governance matters (see discussion below). These matters can then be memorialized via conditions of approval or as a separate Development Agreement.

The Council's authorization for the Foundation to proceed to the next step does not constitute de facto approval to build the project, but simply allows the Foundation to move forward at its own risk with the entitlement process.

The Planning Process

If authorization to proceed is given to the Foundation, the next step involves the entitlement process with the Planning Department. Based on Staff's preliminary review of the proposal, the following planning applications will be required:

- Conditional Use Permit - to allow the construction of the site improvements, including the education facility, to regulate the operation of the programs, and to impose conditions that address project concerns and potential impacts.

- Grading Permit – to allow earth movement needed to prepare the site for construction.
- Coastal Permit – Lower Point Vicente is located in the appealable portion of the City's Coastal District and would require the applicant to demonstrate how the proposed project complies with the City's Coastal Specific Plan.
- Environmental Assessment – pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act, the proposed project would require the preparation of an Initial Study to determine the potential impacts the project might have on the surrounding environment. Based on the outcome of the Initial Study and the ability to mitigate environmental impacts, a determination will be made as to what level of environmental review will be required (the probable options being either a Mitigated Negative Declaration of an Environmental Impact Report).

The Planning Commission at duly noticed public hearings will review the above planning applications. It is at this step in the entitlement process that issues and concerns regarding the project's design and programming, as well as potential impacts to the environment will be addressed. In addition, the review process will address the proposed project's consistency with the City's General Plan, Coastal Specific Plan and the Program of Utilization (inherited from Los Angeles County that regulates the use of the site by the Natural Park Service). Moreover, the public will have an opportunity to express their concerns about the project and all of these related development issues during the public hearings with the Planning Commission. Staff will then forward the Planning Commission's decision to the City Council. At which time, the City Council will determine how it wants to proceed.

Fiscal Impact / Financial Commitment

The Annenberg Foundation has publicly announced that sponsoring the improvements at Lower Point Vicente, including the construction of the education facility, will be underwritten entirely by the Foundation with no fiscal impact on the City's budget. The Foundation is also committing to underwrite the on-going maintenance and operating costs associated with the proposal. This offer stands as a charitable gift from the Annenberg Foundation, under the leadership of Philanthropist Wallis Annenberg, to the City of Rancho Palos Verdes and the general public.

The Foundation is estimating that the cost to construct the proposed project, including the outdoor museum and on-site improvements, would be \$34,500,000 to \$42,500,000, based on the following:

- Landscape and watershed management - \$7.5 million
- Educational exhibits, including science stations, big dig, Tongva/Gabrieleno Village and other exhibits - \$5.5 to \$8 million
- Community multi-purpose theater - \$4.5 million
- Subterranean parking (double site capacity) - \$1.5 - \$2 million
- Ongoing site maintenance, including interpretive landscape - \$150,000 +
- Proposed Annenberg education facility (25,000 sq ft.) - \$15 million to \$20 million
- Lighting and security improvements - \$350,000

- Operational costs (about 10 FTEs plus interns and volunteers) TBD

If authorized to proceed with the entitlement process, the Foundation has indicated that a detailed fiscal analysis will be prepared by the Foundation for review by the City Council as part of the discussions pertaining to any desired development agreement between the City and the Annenberg Foundation for Lower Point Vicente and the proposed project.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Project Model

The Annenberg Foundation has prepared a model depicting the proposed improvements to Lower Point Vicente, including the educational facility. The model is at the Planning Department and is available for public viewing. The model will also be made available for viewing at the September 2nd City Council meeting. For those who would like to view the model in advance of the September 2nd meeting, Staff requests scheduling an appointment.

Public Notification

In order to ensure that the public is aware of the Council's consideration of Annenberg proposal, a list-serve message was sent out on August 19, 2008 to the Vision Plan subscribers informing them of the September 2nd City Council meeting, as well as providing a link to the Annenberg presentation posted on the City's website.

This notification is in addition to notification Staff previously provided the public on the Vision Plan agenda item. A public notice on the Vision Plan was published in the *Peninsula News* on Saturday, August 14, 2008 and nearly 900 notices were mailed to property owners residing within approximately 500-feet of each of the key sites identified in the Vision Plan, including Lower Point Vicente. Furthermore, the Vision Plan document was posted on the City's website nearly one month before tonight's meeting and a message was sent to multiple list-serve subscribers informing them of the availability of the Vision Plan document and the September 2nd Council meeting on the Vision Plan.

Public Comments

The City recently has received several comments letters from the public (see attachment). The majority of the comments received are in support of the project, with the exception of one comment letter signed by several individuals who do not feel this proposal is suitable for Lower Point Vicente. If additional comment letters are received before the September 2nd City Council meeting, Staff will provide these comment letters to the Council and the public at the meeting.

Environmental Review

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the Annenberg Foundation's proposed project will require the submittal of an environmental assessment application to determine the project's potential impacts upon the surrounding environment. This application will be required to be submitted along with the other entitlement applications. Based on Staff's review of the environmental assessment, an Initial Study will be prepared and Staff will make a determination about the level of appropriate environmental review needed to comply with CEQA. The environmental review for the project will occur during the planning entitlement process.

ATTACHMENTS

- Annenberg Request Letter
- Annenberg Presentation (transmitted to the City Council on August 20, 2008)
- Public Comments

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Honorable Leonore Annenberg
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August 22, 2008

Mayor Stern and Members of City Council
c/o Ara Mhrianian
City of Rancho Palos Verdes
30940 Hawthorne Blvd.
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

Dear Mayor Stern and Members of City Council:

As you know, for the past 18 months, the Annenberg Foundation has been working closely with you and with a wide variety of community organizations about the potential for creating a new educational center for Lower Point Vicente, in coordination with the development of the Vision Plan. It has been a great process -- productive and enjoyable -- and we think we have defined the potential scope of the project thoroughly.

The goals of the proposed project are twofold: 1) To create a model learning destination and educational programs that preserve the beauty and uniqueness of Lower Point Vicente and complement the mission and work of the Point Vicente Interpretive Center, and 2) To provide interior and exterior spaces that celebrate the bond between humans and nature, teach families about the unique ecology of domestic and indigenous animals, offer a model animal adoption program and open the center to the community for educational, civic and recreational use.

We continue to see the project as a philanthropic gift from the Foundation, covering capital costs and ongoing maintenance, so that no incremental costs will be carried by the city.

Now the time has come to request that the City Council approve the project in concept by authorizing the Foundation to initiate the planning process. This will achieve two important milestones:

1. It will provide me with the confidence to commit additional resources to the project, which will allow our design team to respond to the input we have received in recent months and to produce the necessary drawings to enable the entitlement, permitting, and design review processes to begin. During this time, such important issues as the number of parking spaces, the height of the building, the assessment of potential environmental impact, and similar matters will be reviewed in an open,

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public process with all the necessary community and regulatory input and approval.

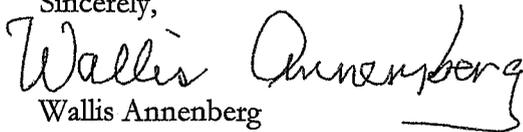
2. Discussions can begin between appropriate city officials and the Foundation regarding a long-term lease, the Foundation contribution to ongoing maintenance, the relationship with the PVIC, the provision of security, and other operational and governance matters.

I understand that concept approval on September 2 would not be approval to build; such an approval can only arise out of satisfactory conclusion of the two steps outlined above.

However, your approval to proceed would confirm the viability of an ongoing relationship between the community and the Foundation on this project.

I see this as one of the most important projects the Foundation might fund over the next several years, and we look forward to continuing to work with you to bring our collective ideas to fruition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wallis Annenberg". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the typed name.

Wallis Annenberg

Vice President

To: Mayor Stern and Members of the City Council of Rancho Palos Verdes

Although we appreciate what the Annenberg Foundation has done in so many areas, we do not want an animal shelter/education facility occupying precious space at one of the most beautiful sites on the peninsula.

Many of us, including some of the founders who worked initially to create our city and save the coastline FROM over development and FOR open space oppose the use of that open space for another building at Lower Pt. Vicente. The beauty of the area comes from its openness and natural attributes – the views of sky, water and cliffs, the extent of the waves, the occasional salute of the gray whale on its eternal journey, the glory of sun, wind and clouds in salt laden air. Another larger building, no matter how laudable its purpose, will only detract from what we already have, what is already there.

Nature has given us this majestic corner of the world. Please keep it open.

Barbara and George Gleghorn

Betty Field Strauss

Ann Shaw

Emmy Reeves

Mary Bernatz

Julie and Michael Sulman

Joan Hogan

Ruth McFarlane

Bettina Arnold

Barbara Beaure

Susan Anderson

Bill and Zona Tolipfe

Sandy Butitta

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Ara M

From: Vic & Sil Quiarte [vicsilq@cox.net]
Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 10:54 AM
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Subject: FO)R COUNCIL

Gentlemen,

About 3 1/2 years ago I came before you to support Parks and Rec dept request for financial support to provide exhibits for the Interpretive Center. At that time Council was able to provide funds for some exhibits but asked me, as President of Los Serenos at that time, to raise funds for Phase II and Phase III for additional exhibits including the "Outdoor History Component". We were asked to raise \$500,000 for Phase II and whatever Phase III would cost. Today I can tell you we have raised \$300,000 for Phase II and ALL of Phase III which the Annenberg Foundation will include in their Vision Plan. But that is only a minor part of the Vision Plan. The main thrust is making Lower Point Vicente a true park including trails and many amenities that will make the park a wonderful venue for visitors to enjoy.

We have heard that some folks feel that the Animal Education Center is nothing more than a "dog shelter" and should not be built there. The truth is that it is an "EDUCATIONAL" site. Yes, there will be 15 to 20 dogs housed there but for the edificaion of the community and probable adoption. It will be a place where families can come and learn of the proper care and training of their pet. It will be a place for children to learn about their "first pet" and how to get along with the animals. There will be vets to care for the animals but that is only a segment of all the educational advantages there. School children will have the ability to be "on Line" with other school children in other parts of the world via the technology at the theater that will be there. Our Docents will be able to teach about the indigenous animals on the oenninsula in one of the class rooms we will be provided. I could go on and on but this e-mail would be too long.

Some folks will say they would prefer that the park remain "open space". If you study the park you may note that it is not open space in the sense that Portuguese Bend is. There are no trails in fact a person can not walk there as it is over run with invasive plants and is not much more than an etyesore. If you view the coast from City Hall view points you will see beautiful scenes of Trump National.Terranea, the Lighthouse property, and Oceanfront Estates. I feel that Lower Point Vicente can be included as a beauty spot, a place we can all be proud of with implementation of the Vision Plan. I hope and pray that you will approve the plan at Council.

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August 22, 2008

Honorable Mayor Douglas Stern and Members of the City Council
City of Rancho Palos Verdes
30940 Hawthorne Blvd.
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Dear Mayor and Members of the City Council:

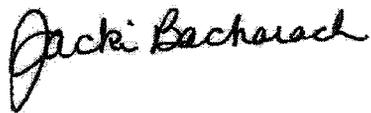
I recently received a briefing on the Annenberg Foundation's proposed project for the Lower Point Vicente site and wish to express my support for the city to approve the concept. While much work needs to be done to develop and implement their proposal, there are real benefits to the community that the city should work to obtain.

Point Vicente Interpretive Center (PVIC) is a focal point for learning about our heritage on the Peninsula. This proposal appears to create the opportunity to build on what has been started, to enhance the experiential learning experience, as well as to expand on the accessibility of the site for diverse groups of people for educational, civic and recreational use.

I would urge the Council to ensure that the Annenberg Foundation fulfills their stated commitment to enhancing Point Vicente with natural landscaping, low impact architecture, preservation of the views, and programs that dovetail with PVIC's important mission and work. Additionally, the Council should promote the establishment of a LEED certified GREEN building for our city.

It bodes well that the Foundation has stated that they want to listen to the community and create a learning destination that will meet our broad needs and we must encourage them to continue that process.

The Annenberg Foundation's proposal has provided an opportunity for our city and I hope that the Council will pursue it while preserving the beauty and uniqueness of Point Vicente.



Jacki Bacharach
Current Resident &
Former Mayor, Rancho Palos Verdes

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August 25, 2008

City Council
City of Rancho Palos Verdes

Mr. Mayor and City Council Members,

As an RPV resident and Past President of Los Serenos the Point Vicente, I would like to take this opportunity to express my support for the proposed Annenberg concept for Lower Point Vicente. My remarks below represent my personal opinion of the Annenberg concept.

The Community Advisory Cabinet, of which I am a member, was created about 2 years ago to help the Annenberg Foundation develop a concept for Lower Point Vicente including an Education Center, a proposed green building to blend into the natural landscape.

The Concept Development Team and the Community Advisory Cabinet had several meetings at which we discussed and evaluated community input and suggestions how to improve and best utilize Lower Point Vicente. Implicit was the thought that PVIC should benefit from the proposed concept.

The result of these meetings, including the Vision Plan workshop in November 2007, lays out to the City Council a well thought out concept plan. The concept plan includes the completion of the Phase III PVIC outdoors exhibit (Tongva Indian Village, Japanese Dry Farming and Archeological Dig), natural habitat restoration, the preservation of open space, the addition of new hiking trails, and connecting existing trails extension. This concept will create volunteer opportunities to educate the public about the history, animal and marine life, geology and native plants on the Peninsula.

The concept plan will be a valuable addition to PVIC and Lower Point Vicente, assuring the completion, continuing maintenance, enhancement, and beautification of this special location. It will attract many more visitors and residents to the area.

I ask the City Council to vote in favor of this concept plan.

Sincerely,



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Ara M

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Sent: Sunday, August 24, 2008 10:27 PM
To: aram@rpv.com
Subject: Annenberg

MEMO from Sunshine

TO: Ara

RE: September 2, 2008, Annenberg proposal for Lower Point Vicente.

I invited Melendrez to provide me with some topo and building heights so that I could make an insert of their proposal onto the model of Point Vicente Park. They have not responded. Since there is a different Architect working on the Annenberg proposal, I can't hold the lack of communication against the new guys.

I will be bringing the model to the September 2, 2008 City Council meeting. The Site Plan and rendering attached to the Staff Report are clear enough for me to "drop in" the proposal without damaging the integrity of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Strategic Plan representation.

What I find interesting about this lack of impact is that the Annenberg proposal adds to, rather than superceding the proposed "Outdoor History Museum". Have we suggested that the Annenberg Foundation build both? Is it reasonable to think that "Improves watershed management" means that Annenberg is offering to grade the whole site and install storm drains like at Terranea? Why not grade for the "Outdoor History Museum" at the same time?

The only people who support the proposal are doing so because they are under the impression that the Annenberg Foundation will fund bunches of somewhat related "wants" that the City and other interests cannot fund. Allowing the proposal to proceed into the "application" phase is the only way to find out what Annenberg is really willing to commit to pay for. It would behoove the City to make a detailed list of "wants", poste haste.

It's only a deal if it's where *you* want to go. Find your travel deal [here](#).



ROTARY CLUB OF PALOS VERDES PENINSULA

Leonard,

I just wanted to thank you again for speaking at our rotary club on July 25th. I got a lot of positive feedback on your presentation.

Again, I apologize for the food service confusion in the middle of your talk.

If ever you would like to come back as a guest, we would enjoy having you!

B. Miller



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August 6, 2008

Dear Leonard,

It was a pleasure to meet you at the Chamber breakfast this morning. Your presentation was very informative and very, very exciting for our community!

I will look forward to working with you and the Annenberg Foundation.

Best wishes for continued success.

Warm Regards,

Terri A. Haack
*Executive Vice President,
Managing Director*

August 26, 2008

To the Rancho Palos Verdes City Council:

We are writing in support of the Annenberg proposal for Point Vicente.

As avid horsemen, horsewomen, parents and educators, we believe the mission of the proposed center is completely in line with the needs and interests of our community.

As you may know, we are an organization comprised of people that are dedicated to the value of the relationship between horses and people, and we fully appreciate the importance of understanding the human-animal bond. We work hard with youth and adults in our community to teach sportsmanship (and athletics) while we foster humane relationships with animals. Additionally, through running the local schooling horse shows, our organization also promotes volunteerism.

The Center as proposed will be a beautiful addition to the peninsula and will provide scores of educational programs that will contribute to the quality of life we enjoy here.

We urge you to vote to support this philanthropic gift to our community.

Thank you,

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RANCHO PALOS VERDES COUNCIL OF HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS (CHOA)

February 21,2008

Mr. Leonard Aube,
Managing Director of the Annenberg
Foundation, Los Angeles Office
2000 Avenue of the Stars Suite 1000
Los Angeles, California 90067

Dear Leonard,

Thank you very much for your presentation at RPV Council of HomeOwners Associations (CHOA) meeting Wednesday night.

From my perspective the presentation could not have been better, and judging from the members' feedback they agree with me. Our members felt the information was timely and meaningful, and that you were open and candid in answering their questions. The visuals were outstanding and the brochure, while being a little dated will help us spread the word to our members.

We all gained from your discussion and I hope your appearance at our meeting will prove to be fruitful to you as well. ether.

Best wishes for continued success.

Sincerely yours,

Jon Cartwright, President



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August 5, 2008

To the Rancho Palos Verdes City Council,

I am writing to express my support for the Annenberg Foundation proposal for Lower Point Vicente.

As a veterinarian dedicated to the quality of life of all animals, I believe this project has the potential to bring about real change through innovative educational programs. With proper training, we can give every animal the tools they need to meet the expectations of their family.

I am certain that the Annenberg Foundation will design a project that reflects well on the city of Rancho Palos Verdes. We are fortunate to have a dedicated foundation that not only has the ability to make changes for the future but is committed to make those goals a reality.

I encourage the RPV City Council to approve this project to ensure this worthwhile concept will be realized.

Sincerely,

Dr. Patty Boge

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10 San Rancho Pico Verde City Hall,

We approve of the
Annenberg Foundation
project at Lower
Point Vicente.

Thank you

Sharon Polack

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RPV, CA 90275

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Dear Rancho PV City Hall

We support the
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Thank you

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Thank you -
Deborah J. Milchan

Dear Rancho Palos Verdes City Hall,

We approve of the
Annenberg Foundation project
at lower Point Vicente.

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Thank you
Robin Linder

Dear Rancho Palos Verdes City Hall
We approve of the
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project at Lower Point
Vicente.

Thank you -
Bonnie Luthi

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We support and approve of the proposed Companion Animal Center at Point
Vicente, which is to be generously funded by the Annenberg Foundation.

1. Pamela A. Solbex 1509 Granvia Altamira, PVE 8/3/08
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3. ~~John~~ 68 DAPPLEGRAY, RHE 90274 8/5/08
4. Margaret van der Hulst. 5 LAZY CREEK, R.H.E. 90274 8/5/08
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6. John 56 Dapplegray Ln RHE 90274 8.5.08
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9. Nicole Kempf 68 Dapplegray Ln RHE, CA 90274 8/5/08
10. Jane H. Quay 25 South Ln RHE 90274 8/8/08
11. Kathleen Salzman 87 Dapplegray RHE 90274 8/8/08
12. J Salzman 87 Dapplegray RHE 90274 8/8/08
13. Kelween McQueen 1712 Sutton Rd, PVE, 90274 8/9/08
14. Lee Tokaji 1712 Sutton Rd, PVE 90274 8/9/08
15. Linda S. Davis 68 Dapplegray Ln. RHE CA 90274 8/11/08
16. Francis Fox 64 Dapplegray Ln RHECA 8/11/08
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Canyon Ridge Farms

At Palos Verdes Estates

4057 Via Opata
Palos Verdes Estates, CA 90274
(310) 375-9388
teresabartko2004@yahoo.com

August 11, 2008

To Rancho Palos Verdes City Council,

I am writing to express my strong support for the Annenberg Proposal for Lower Point Vicente. As a long time resident and professional equestrian, I have long been involved in teaching children to ride and enjoy the unique relationship between animals and humans. We are so lucky to live in such a beautiful place with great opportunities to bond with the natural world. The Annenberg Proposal would help us learn more about the special relationship between animals and humans and would contribute to our understanding of this unique perch we have on the Pacific. The facility would be a wonderful community resource.

Sincerely,



Teresa Bartko

Dear Rancho PU City Hall

We support
the project proposed
by the Annenberg
Foundation.

Thank you

Jeffrey Chu

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Daisy Hsu

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Dear Rancho Palo Verde City Hall,

We approve of the
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Project at Lower
Point Vicente.

I thank you
Tillie Mueller
27145 Fond Du Lac Rd.
R.P.V. 90275

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Thank you -
Elaine Sabosky

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Dear Rando Galos Verdes City Hall

We approve of the
Annenberg Foundation
Project at Lower
Point Vicente.

Thank you
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Drive, R.P.V., CA 90275
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R.P.V. CA 90275

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**The
Dr. Allen H. & Charlotte Ginsburg
Wilderness Experience
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August 14, 2008

City Council
City of Rancho Palos Verdes
30940 Hawthorne Blvd.
Rancho Palos Verdes CA 90275

Rancho Palos Verdes is in need of an animal facility for the purpose of educating the community in the proper care of animals and in particular canines. 75% of families own pets and 60% are dogs. Proper care has developed to a science and few owners are up to date on the vast amount of knowledge accumulated with experience and research in the field. The 21st century suggests we need to become more capable in understanding man's best friend. A facility which educates us in these values is an asset to our community.

Charlotte Ginsburg,
Wilderness Foundation

Dear Rancho Palmdale City Hall

We support the
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Thank you
Mary Leedy
27143 Shorewood Rd,
Rancho Palmdale Ca 90275

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Thank you

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Thank you-

Linda Muggerridge
27016 Shorewood Rd

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Michael McArmen
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Dear Rancho PV City Hall

I think the
Community Foundation
should be approved
for their project

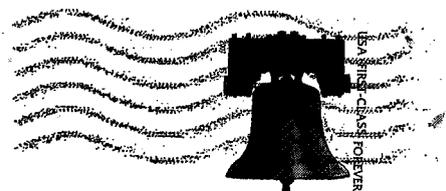
Thank you -

Alan Daniels

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Michael Mikranian
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Dear Rancho PV City Hall-

As a long time resident
of Rancho PV, I am in full
support of the Annenberg
Foundation proposal.

Thank you-

Karen
Samuel

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As a longtime community member and a devoted animal lover, I am in favor of the Center being proposed by the Annenberg Foundation. There is an enormous need for education related to all of our four-footed friends and our families, and the project promises to bring a wealth of information and possibilities to the community. I trust that the Annenberg foundation's gift of philanthropy to our community will become a popular and treasured enhancement that will dovetail nicely with the Point Vicente Interpretive Center's work.

Patricia A. Hardgrove