



Memorandum

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Councilmember Pyle

SUBJECT: SEE BELOW

DATE: 1-8-07

APPROVED: *Nancy Pyle*

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COUNCIL DISTRICT: District 10
SNI: Hoffman/Via Monte

SUBJECT TERMINATION OF A GROUND LEASE WITH THE ALMADEN HILLS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH AND APPROVAL OF A LEASE AT 1180 BLOSSOM HILL ROAD FOR THE HOFFMAN/VIA MONTE NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that:

- (a) The City Council defer a resolution terminating a Ground Lease with the Almaden Hills United Methodist Church for the Hoffman/Via Monte Neighborhood Center until February 13, 2006, and,
- (b) The City Council and Redevelopment Agency Board defer the termination of the Cooperation Agreement between the City and the Redevelopment Agency for the Hoffman/Via Monte Neighborhood Center until February 13, 2006.

OUTCOME

The purpose of this deferral is to give the City and the Almaden Hills United Methodist Church the opportunity to come to agreement on a process for moving forward in exploring opportunities for collaboration on additional programming space, for a one year period, while eliminating the City's obligations and liabilities under the Ground Lease.

BACKGROUND

City staff strongly recommend that the lease of 1180 Blossom Hill is the best alternative for a new Hoffman/Via Monte Neighborhood Center, both in terms of cost and the ability to put it into operation immediately. However, the City is also continuing to look for additional programming space in the area as well as a more permanent site as development opportunities in the area may arise. I would like the City to continue working with the Church in exploring those opportunities.