

APPENDIX 3.1.6-2
Law Enforcement Services Letter



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LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES

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Village 14 and Planning Areas 16 & 19

Case Number

Project Name

Planning and Development Services (PDS) is responsible for processing projects in accordance with all applicable policies, ordinances, and regulations. When reviewing a discretionary project, the Department is charged with determining if adequate law enforcement services are or will be available to the project concurrent with need and if new or expanded law enforcement facilities are needed as a result of the subject project or as a result of the cumulative projects in the vicinity. The adequacy of law enforcement services is determined by considering the project's consistency with the Safety Element of the San Diego County General Plan (Law Enforcement). Policy S12-1 of the Law Enforcement Section speaks to coordinating new law enforcement facilities and services with new development in ways that sustain the provision of comprehensive services at levels consistent with substantially similar areas of the County. The issue with respect to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is whether the project alone, or cumulatively, generates the need for new or physically altered law enforcement facilities. CEQA requires the environmental impacts associated with the provision of new or altered facilities to be analyzed.

To assist the PDS in evaluating a project's compliance with the Safety Element and determining the project's environmental impacts, please provide answers questions 1-7 below:

- 1) The project is within the RANCHO SAN DIEGO/IB command area.
- 2) The existing facility within the command area (RSD STATION) is 27,000 square feet in size.
- 3) Estimated population in the command area is 200,000 for RSD Command this includes Lemon Grove, Imperial Beach, Bonita & Lincoln Acres (*Source: SANDAG*).
- 4) Number of sworn personnel currently serving in the command area is 130.
- 5) Village 14 project will result in the need for 0.5 additional sworn personnel. (See additional comments).

- 6) If additional staff is needed, would this necessitate new or expanded facilities?
Please circle YES or NO and provide a written explanation supporting the response.

Village 14 Planning Areas 16 & 19 is proposing a Sheriff's Storefront; it is recommended due to the travel distance of the purposed site and the Otay Substation, Rancho San Diego Station as well as the Imperial Beach substation. This remote project is on the periphery of these 3 facilities and would create an extended law enforcement response for service if indeed the responding Sheriff's units were dispatched from one of the outlying stations. The Sheriff's Department continues to support the need for substations/Storefronts for all future projects in the Otay Mesa Region as the need arises.

Based on the expansion of Otay 250 Project *Sunroad & Business Park* (case number PDS2015-SPA-001) a total of 12 Deputies will be needed to staff the purposed Otay substation: 7-day 24 hour coverage. Additional resources to include Community Service Officers and Crime Prevention Specialist as well as an analyst should be taken into consideration in determining needed resources. No traffic specific deputies will be necessary since CHP will handle traffic related issues in that region. This sub-station must be a "stand alone" sub in that deputies assigned to the sub will be responsible for CFS (calls for service) in that service area that we may essentially expand to relieve Rural, IB and RSD(s) foot print; since response to the Otay Region from IB, RSD and Rural is not feasible due to distance and traffic restraints. This has the potential to result in extended response times and poor customer service for that region.

- 7) Provide any recommendations on design criteria and/or comments relative to other law enforcement concerns specific to the project.
- Provide adequate light for nighttime use of paths to and from entrances and exits of buildings and throughout the project or neighborhood.
 - Make entrances clearly visible to patrols and the public.

The Sheriff's Crime Prevention Unit is available for design and development consultation throughout the project.

To assist the Sheriff's Department with this request, PDS has attached:

- A vicinity map and a project plan/map
- A brief project description, including pertinent raw data (e.g., the total number of residential units, the estimated population at buildout, the total square footage and type of commercial or industrial activity, traffic counts, etc.)
- Information (if any) regarding the proposed use that may have implications for law enforcement. For example, will the project generate hazardous materials, or does it involve the manufacture or distribution of controlled substances?

Please review the attached information and complete and return this form to PDS, Greg Mattson, no later than 03/18/2017 (21 days) along with any other supplemental information that would be helpful in evaluating the project's impacts on law enforcement services and facilities.

If you have any questions regarding this request or need additional information, please contact Greg Mattson, Project Manager with the Planning and Development Services, at (858) 694-2249.