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City of Aurora Planning Department
Kelly Bish, Principal Planner
Sara Ullman, Case Manager
Jacque Chomiak, City Arborist

15151 E. Alameda Parkway
Aurora, CO 80012

Re: Village at Westerly Creek Phase III Tree Mitigation

Dear Ms. Bish:

In reviewing the tree mitigation report as provided by Jacque Chomiak, we see that the remaining trees we originally were trying to save are no longer possible due to the refinement of the site plan. Per the report, Jacque itemized that of the 7 existing trees inspected, there are 141 caliper inches remaining to be removed and that the City of Aurora will require the Aurora Housing Authority to mitigate 88 caliper inches based on a value of \$35,818.13.

Per this submittal, (Sheet L-03/L-04), for the project, Norris Design has determined that the current plan has and overage of required open space trees per the City's requirement that can make up for the 88 caliper inches needed to be replaced. On Sheet L-02, Landscape Calculations, the Open Space requirement is 1 tree and 10 shrubs per 4,000 sf of landscape area not included in the street tree buffer, building elevation landscape, perimeter landscape buffer or parking lot islands. Based on that table, we meet all the required trees per each area and are showing an overage on the open space of 39 trees above the required 15 (project open space 60,244 sf/ 4000 sf). Of the 39 additional open space trees identified on the landscape plan, 27 are 2.5 cal. inch deciduous trees totaling = 67.5 cal. inches. The remaining 12 open space trees are, 2 cal. inch ornamentals totaling = 24 cal. inches. Together the additional open space trees total 91.5 caliper inches. 3.5 inches over of the required 88 inches. See proposed tree mitigation break out below for more clarity.

Total mitigation inches required by City of Aurora	88"
Existing additional open space trees per landscape plan (27) 2.5 inch deciduous trees	67.5"
<u>Existing additional open space tree per landscape plan (12) 2.0 inch ornamental trees</u>	<u>24.0"</u>
Proposed total mitigation inches to meet City's mitigation requirement	91.5"

Please review the current landscape plan and the open space trees that we are identifying as mitigation trees to meet the 88 cal. inches required. See the attached SDP06, Sheets L-02, L-03 & L-04 for the proposed mitigation trees.

Aurora Housing Authority would like us to gain approval with the City as soon as possible so we may submit Mylars and attain a building permit by July 1st.

A quick review and approval of this submittal would be greatly appreciated.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,
Norris Design

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