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**SUBJECT: Notice of Preparation
Supplemental Environmental Impact Report
Guasti Plaza Specific Plan Amendment (PSPA 08-006)**

Dear Mr. Ayala:

Thank you for contacting the Morongo Band of Mission Indians regarding the above referenced project(s). The Tribe greatly appreciates the opportunity to review the project and, respectfully, offer the following comment(s):

- If human remains are encountered during grading and other construction excavation, work in the immediate vicinity shall cease and the County Coroner shall be contacted pursuant to State Health and Safety Code §7050.5.
- In the event that Native American cultural resources are discovered during project development/construction, all work in the immediate vicinity of the find shall cease and a qualified archaeologist meeting Secretary of Interior standards shall be hired to assess the find. Work on the overall project may continue during this assessment period.
- If significant Native American cultural resources are discovered, for which a Treatment Plan must be prepared, the developer or his archaeologist shall contact the Morongo Band of Mission Indians ("Tribe")¹. If requested by the Tribe, the developer or the project archaeologist shall, in good faith, consult on the discovery and its disposition (e.g. avoidance, preservation, return of artifacts to tribe, etc.).

If I may be of further assistance with regard to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 951-755-5212 or FRANKLIN_DANCY@MORONGO.ORG.

¹ The Morongo Band of Mission Indians realizes that there may be additional tribes claiming cultural affiliation to the area; however, Morongo can only speak for itself. The Tribe has no objection if the archaeologist wishes to consult with other tribes and if the city wishes to revise the condition to recognize other tribes.

Very truly yours,
MORONGO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS


Franklin A. Dancy
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