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PETITION OF THE PEOPLE OF
PRINCETON STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA.
TO SACRAMENTO CITY COUNCIL

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③	PRINT Joseph English	2600 Princeton St.		OWNER
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④	PRINT Patricia Nowey			OWNER
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⑥	PRINT Lydia P Holguin			OWNER
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⑦	PRINT Frank Everett	2653 + 2657 Princeton		OWNER
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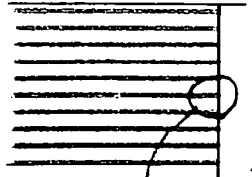
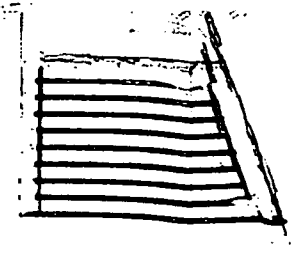
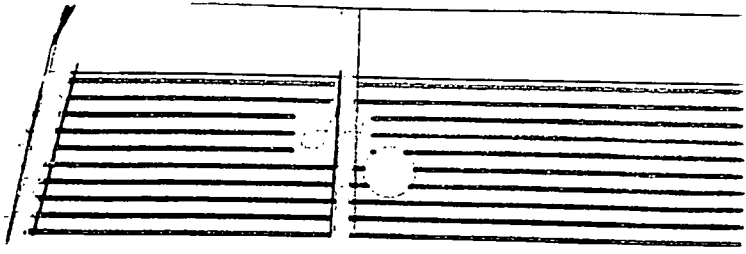
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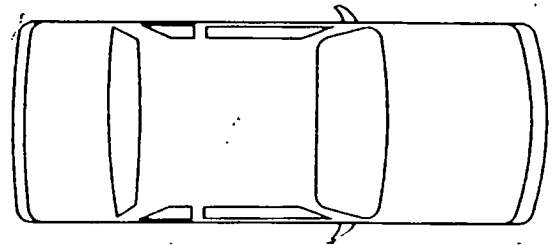
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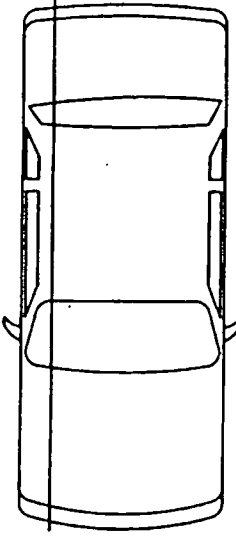
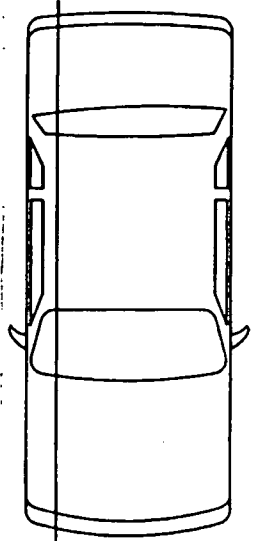
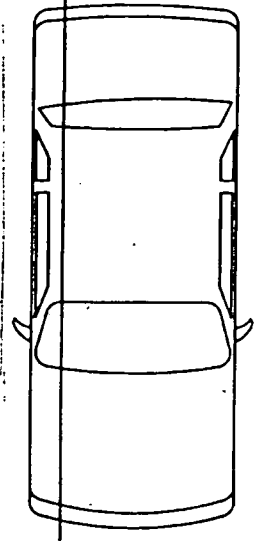
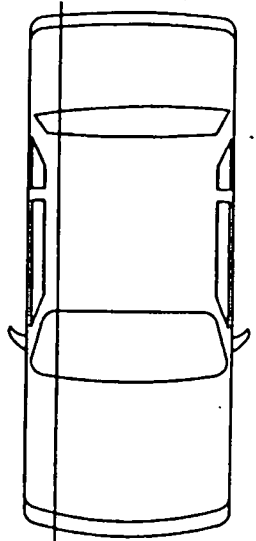
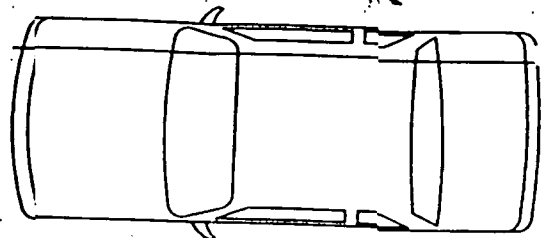
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(916) 641-1556
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June 4, 1999

VIA FAX AND MAIL

Mr. Robert Thomas, City Manager
City of Sacramento
915 I Street
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: My client: Frank Everett
Princeton Street Reconstruction
City Council meeting of 6/8/99
Agenda Item 11.5

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cc: Mr. Nadar Kamal, Project Engineer
cc: Wm. P. Carnazzo, Esq.
cc: All Council Members
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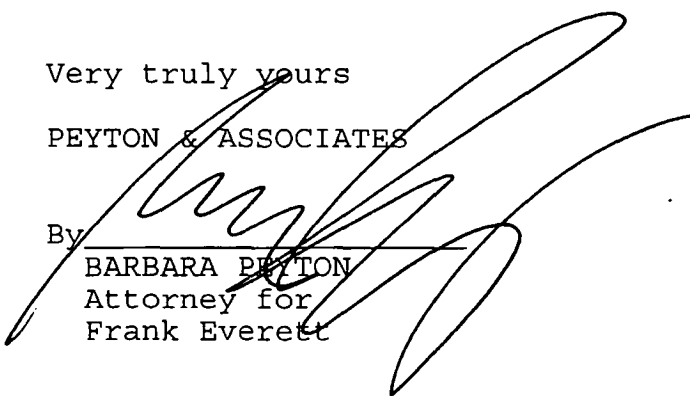
Re: Princeton Street Reconstruction Project
Our client: Frank Everett
Property: 2653 Princeton Street

Dear Ms. Burrowes:

Delivered herewith please find multiple packets of materials which I request you deliver to all City Council members for review and consideration in connection with Agenda Item No. 11.5 relating to the Princeton Street construction projection on June 8, 1999.

Thank you.

Very truly yours
PEYTON & ASSOCIATES

By 
BARBARA PEYTON
Attorney for
Frank Everett

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March 15, 1999

VIA FAX AND MAIL

Mr. Robert Kerth, Council Member
Sacramento City Council
City Hall
915 I Street, Room 205
Sacramento, California 95814

Re: Princeton Street Reconstruction

Dear Mr. Kerth:

I send this letter on behalf of all the residents of Princeton Street who signed the enclosed Petition and in the interests of eliminating problems with the above reconstruction project.

The enclosed petition shows that a majority of the residents on Princeton Street do not want planters between the curb and gutter and the sidewalk on Princeton Street. The reasons for this are many.

1. Neighborhood residents dislike the appearance the front yards of their homes will have if planters are added as is currently the plan. Many residents feel that they will be able to reach their mailboxes from their front porches because their front yards will be so small after planters and sidewalks are put in place. Although the City has a right of way to place planters and sidewalks, so doing will make the front yards of the Princeton Street properties appear minuscule and cut off.

2. The tiny appearing front yards will greatly reduce the value of the homes on Princeton Street. While it is generally

accepted that adding sidewalks and infrastructure can enhance the value of property, in this situation any increase in value realized from the reconstruction will be more than offset by the diminished size and appearance of the front yards of the properties.

3. Failure to maintain planters will only worsen the appearance of the front yards of the Princeton Street properties which will further decrease the value of the properties. Once the planters are placed by the City, the property owners become responsible for their maintenance. When owners fail to maintain the planters, they become dirt or mud holes or weed gardens. It is common knowledge that dirt planters are often used as parking spaces for cars. Once the planters become weed gardens and grow out of control, the City must step in to abate the weeds at an additional cost of money and labor to the City. And, even though a lien is placed against the property for any cost incurred by the City to abate weeds, a much more practical solution would be to avoid the expense of weed abatement in the first place by not placing planters in front of the properties.

4. Although the right of way for the planters continues to be owned by the City, the planter area property is also owned and must be maintained by the property owners. For that reason, the property owners have liability to the public and others for injuries or damages which occur on the planters. This issue of liability for the planter area can be completely avoided by the deletion of planters from the project.

5. The residents of Princeton Street do not want the

planters in front of their properties. You reported to us at the last meeting at Ben Ali School that the City Council decided that the planters will improve the neighborhood. But, no one asked the residents of the neighborhood what they wanted. Almost everyone wants sidewalks. They have been paying for them for over 30 years and finally sidewalks are going to be put in. But the neighborhood residents don't want the planters. As the representative of the residents in this neighborhood, it is incumbent upon on you to make sure that the desires of the neighborhood residents are made plain to the other members of the City Council. The neighborhood residents are asking you to take all action necessary to change the current plan so that planters will not be placed on Princeton Street. The residents need to know that you will act in a manner consistent with their wishes -- not the wishes of City staff who do not live there or ever who will visit the Princeton Street neighborhood after the project is finished. The residents of Princeton Street will be the ones who have to look at what is left of their properties and the condition of the planters for years to come after the reconstruction project is completed. It is for that reason that their desires should be the controlling factor on something as aesthetic as planters.

6. Addition of the planters to the properties will reduce the size of the parcels as mentioned above as well as the size and number of driveways on the street. This will have the effect of reducing the parking space available on most of the properties. The result will be to increase on-street parking which will cause

the neighborhood to look crowded and congested not to mention the fact that such parking will hide the planters. It is common knowledge that planters that are not maintained become parking spaces in other neighborhoods. This increases neighborhood frustration as well as the expense of police to prevent people from parking on the planters. A possible mitigation effort here would be to place round, rather than square, curbs to allow some parking that would not clutter the street so badly and which, of course, would be cheaper to install.

7. Many people on Princeton Street will be left with little or no yard. Some will lose the flowers, shrubs, trees and other greenery they have developed over many years. One 90 year old woman with an extremely well cared for yard will lose most of her beloved rose bushes which are about all she has left to live for. Her yard is the showcase of the neighborhood and she has worked diligently to develop, maintain and keep it that way for most of her life. Now, at age 90, she should not be deprived of her life's work and the work area she had nurtured for so long.

8. The cost of the project both in terms of money and stress for all concerned will be significantly reduced if the City deletes the planters from the project plan. The neighborhood is not aware of the line item cost for the planter aspect of the project. But deleting that item would constitute an absolute and immeasurable gain to the City. In addition to monetary savings, the City could add the goodwill of the Princeton Street and similar street residents to its coffers.

If the City has a desire to create a new look for Sacramento, it should do so in the new developments and construction areas. The City cannot force the Princeton Street neighborhood to look like new by the addition of planters next to the curb. What the City will accomplish by the addition of planters is to make the neighborhood look like a patchwork quilt of renovation. We note that most of the new developments do not have planters between the curb and gutter that are now being imposed on Princeton Street. The residents of Princeton Street realize that your motives are well intentioned. But, you can't make a new neighborhood out of an old one by adding planters unless you intend to eventually rebuild all of the homes on the street with greater set backs than presently exist. The Princeton Street residents appreciate and applaud the addition of already paid for infrastructure and sidewalks. They do not want planters added to Princeton Street.

The Princeton Street neighbors have been paying for the proposed renovations for 30 years. Now, the City is coming in with improvements which it says will enhance the neighborhood 50 years from now. The Princeton Street neighbors want to enjoy the improvements for which they have paid for the last 30 years right now. They do not want to have improvements made that will benefit someone long after they are dead and buried. The City will save a great deal of money by deleting the planters from the Princeton Street project and using that money on some other street that has no sidewalks or curbs at the present time. It is common knowledge that the majority of streets in North Sacramento have no sidewalks

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or curbs. The deletion of planters would also shorten the project completion time. Princeton Street is a workingman's neighborhood. The neighbors on that street are comfortable and content with their neighborhood. The enclosed petition shows that they do not want planters on their street. The neighborhood residents request that you, on their behalf, obtain a vote from the City Council to delete the planters on Princeton Street not only for the reasons set forth above but also to mitigate the anger and resentment the residents will feel toward the City and its politicians if their desires are not honored.

Thank you for your early attention and response to the foregoing.

Very truly yours,

PEYTON & ASSOCIATES

By: *S/Barbara Peyton*

BARBARA PEYTON
Attorney at Law

cc: All Princeton Street Residents
and Property Owners
cc: Mr. Nader Kamel, Project Manager

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OFFICE OF THE
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ROBERT KERTH
COUNCILMEMBER
DISTRICT TWO

CITY OF SACRAMENTO
CALIFORNIA

March 23, 1999

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Barbara Peyton
Peyton & Associates
1556 Auburn Boulevard
Sacramento, CA 95815

Dear Ms. Peyton:

I am in receipt of your lengthy letter and "petition" relative the City's reconstruction of Princeton Street and your concern regarding the separated sidewalks provided in the plan. While your letter is verbose, it is unconvincing.

As you know, the community had several community meetings regarding the design of the street improvements – the result is the community design we reviewed at the February 25th Community Meeting. That design went to BID on March 11, 1999 to meet the construction schedule we promised the community. Any change in the design at this late date would result in delays and unbudgeted additional costs to the project and the taxpayers.

I do strongly object, on behalf of the residents of Princeton Street, to the implication that folks in Ben Ali are not capable of taking care of the planter strip and that they would "become dirt or mud holes or weed gardens." There is no less pride, ability, or respect in the people of Ben Ali, than there is in Laguna, North Natomas, or Land Park who have planter strips.

Also, to correct your notion of who is paying for the project, by current City policy, resident pay a special assessment to add curb, gutter, and sidewalks to their properties. I am avoiding that cost to residents on Princeton Street through the use of federal grant funding to provide the improvements to folks at no cost. In 1992, on Fell Street, residents paid an average of \$4,400 each for similar improvements, so it is quite a savings.

In closing, we both know your real interest is your brother's rental property at 2653 and 2651 Princeton with the illegal non-conforming parking. As you may recall from the meeting we had together with the project engineer, the separated sidewalk as no effect on the number of vehicles he can park legally.

Sincerely,

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March 31, 1999

VIA FAX AND MAIL

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Re: Princeton Street Reconstruction

Dear Mr. Kerth:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 23, 1999, allegedly in response of mine to you dated March 15, 1999. While you referred to my letter as verbose and unconvincing, you did not respond to most of the issues raised by it. Instead, you attempted to point out that there were several community meetings and that the project went to bid on March 11, 1999.

I know there were many community meetings. I was at some of them. One of the ones I was at was where the issue of the planters was raised. You were specifically asked why the planters were being put in. Your response was that the City Council "thought it was best for the neighborhood".

Your letter also attempts to accuse me of claiming that the

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residents of Ben Ali are not capable of taking care of the planter strip. You missed my point completely. I asserted that not just Ben Ali residents, but all residents everywhere in Sacramento, do the not take care of the planter strips. Most of those that do care for them, resent having to do so.

I know there is a lot of pride in the Ben Ali neighborhood since I, unlike you, live in it. Your letter also points out that somehow you are avoiding the cost of the special assessment for curbs, gutters and sidewalks to the properties in the Ben Ali neighborhood through the use of Federal Grant funding to provide those improvements at no cost. If that is the case, why did the residents of Ben Ali pay a special assessment fee for nearly 30 years? It strikes me that you could better use Federal Grant funds for something that has not already been paid for by the residents.

You also attempt to make some kind of rather obtuse attack on the fact that Mr. Everett owns rental property at 2653 and 2651 Princeton Street. You assumed and made the statement that Mr. Everett is my brother. The first thing that I learned in law school was to assume nothing because it makes an "ass of u and me". Regardless of my relationship with Mr. Everett, he is my client and it is completely improper for you to attempt to invade that relationship.

The petition which was circulated has nothing to do with whether Mr. Everett will have any off street parking. It has to do

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with what you, as a representative of this neighborhood, are willing to do for its residents. Specifically, you were asked to present the petition to the City Council. Based on your response to me, copies sent to all neighborhood residents, It is clear that you did not communicate the petition to the City Council. I would like to know why. I am certain that many of my neighbors would also like to know why you did not do so.

I am also very interested to know what authority the City Council is relying on to impose planters on this neighborhood or any other neighborhood for that matter in the right of way. My research indicates that the right of way is only appropriately used for wires, lights, poles or anything else that is necessary for the purpose of lights, gas, power lines, streetcars, railroads or railway facilities or any other public facility or utility. I have been unable to find any support or authority for the proposition that grass planters constitute a public utility. Furthermore, since you seem determined to impose the grass planters on the Princeton Street residents, do the other residents of the Ben Ali neighborhood realize that you will begin to do the same thing to them even though it has not been done on already completed Iris Street or on Orlando Street?

Have you or the City Council discussed the safety issues that are raised by adding these grass planters in an area which will have increased on street parking when the project is finished? The safety issue of which I speak is the danger to small children who

dart from between parked cars. It follows that the more cars parked on the street, the greater the risk of children darting out from between those cars. The second safety issue is that of people slipping on mud or grass when they get out of parked cars. I am certain that these issues have not even been discussed since I didn't raise them in my last letter and you apparently have no concept of them.

I would like for you to explain to me why paragraph 1 of my March 15, 1999 letter is unconvincing to you. Which of the neighbors have you spoken to who told you they liked the appearance their front yards will have if planters are placed? What exactly is unconvincing about that concept to you?

What is there about paragraph 2 of my prior letter that seems unconvincing to you wherein I state that reducing the size of the front yards of Princeton Street neighbors will reduce the value of their homes?

What is there that is unconvincing about paragraph 3 in my prior letter which refers to how the planters are not being maintained in many neighborhoods in Sacramento? All you have to do is drive around in many other neighborhoods in Sacramento to see that these planters are not always maintained. In the areas where they are not maintained, not only are they hazardous, they reduce property values.

What is there about paragraph 4 in my prior letter that is unconvincing to you? Do you dispute the fact that property owners

as well as the City will incur lawsuit liability to the public for injury or damages which occur in the planter area? If so, what is your authority for that position?

What is there about paragraph 5 of my prior letter to you which specifically asks you to take all action necessary on behalf of our neighborhood to change the current plan so that planters will not be placed on Princeton Street? Instead of arguing with the request, why don't you do what the neighbors want?

What is there about paragraph 6 of my prior letter which is unconvincing to you? Do you deny that adding the planters will reduce the parking space available on most of the properties? If you do make such an assertion, I would like to know the basis for your position.

Paragraph 7 of my prior letter refers to a woman who lives in the neighborhood who is now 90 years old. Have you given any thought to her? What exactly is there that is unconvincing about that paragraph?

What is there in paragraph 8 of my prior letter that is unconvincing to you? Do you really think that the City will be more popular with the residents of this neighborhood if it coerces us into having planters next to the curbs? Does the City Council not care at all about the goodwill of this neighborhood?

I recently drove downtown and looked at one of the older neighborhoods where there were planters next to the curb. I noticed with great interest that next to most of those curbs there

were parking meters. I also noticed that most residential areas now have rounded curbs and that most areas that have parking meters have square curbs. This explains why you are putting square curbs in the Ben Ali neighborhood which was something that had been previously questioned at one of the neighborhood meetings. Is the City targeting our neighborhood for parking meters next? Is the City looking at our neighborhood as the next "mid-town"? That is the only explanation I can find for your extreme and inexplicable hard line position on something that the neighbors of this community clearly do not want imposed on them. You are supposed to be representing the people of this community, not dictating to them.

On behalf of Mr. Everett and the neighborhood residents, I again request that you petition and obtain a vote from the City Council to remove the proposed grass planters from the Princeton Street project not only for the reasons set forth in my prior letter but also to show that the City Council responds to the desires of the community rather than its own agenda. Contrary to your assertion, my research indicates that deletion of the planters will not affect the project completion in any significant way. The design would entail one deletion throughout the project, should not result in any delay and should not result in any unbudgeted additional costs to the project and to the taxpayers. Your letter of March 23, 1999, spelled out the fact that you have obtained the use of Federal Grant Funding to provide the improvements at no cost

to our neighborhood. There should be no additional cost to the taxpayers if there is no original cost. My research indicates that deletion of the line item for the planter strips would expedite the project and reduce the cost. I am very familiar with construction and construction law and know full well that the planter strips are not a major design issue and their deletion would not impact the project in any significant way.

The neighborhood residents on Princeton Street again ask that you do your job and represent them at the City Council with the request set out in their petition previously submitted to you.

Very truly yours,

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By: **S/Barbara Peyton**

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Re: Princeton Street Reconstruction

Dear Mr. Kerth:

I failed to indicate on my March 31, 1999 letter to you that all residents of the Ben Ali precinct will be given copies of that letter. This letter is to rectify that oversight.

Very truly yours,

PEYTON & ASSOCIATES

By: *S/Barbara Peyton*

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