

Dear Santa Clarita Planning Board Commissioners,

I am writing to you regarding the proposed Sand Canyon Hotel & Resort development, which is before the Planning Board at the January 19<sup>th</sup> meeting. I would like to voice my strong support for this project.

I am a 20-year Santa Clarita Valley resident and a local business owner. I strongly believe the Sand Canyon Hotel & Resort would be a welcomed addition to the Santa Clarita Community.

The proposed hotel and resort will add additional first-class Dining, lodging and recreation options for the entire valley to utilize and enjoy. This includes walking trails, dining, sports courts, a spa, and a large ballroom for special events, and more. These new amenities will add to the quality of life for all Santa Clarita residents.

In addition, this project will create hundreds of jobs while it's being constructed and many local resident jobs when operational. A new hotel and resort will also bring economic benefits to the City. The resort will bring in visitors and dollars to all our local restaurants, tourist attractions and theme park. Additional city sales tax revenue will also be generated by this project.

I am also impressed with Sand Canyon Hotel & Resort's environmentally friendly plans. This includes being 100% solar powered, a greywater system, and new open space.

Finally, I have come to know Steve Kim, the developer and believe he has the business acumen and financial resources to make this a first-rate project and a financial and esthetic success.

Thank you,

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