



City of Placerville

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Placerville, California 95667

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
EL DORADO COUNTY

Burt Hirschfeld
Judicial Council of California
455 Golden Gate Avenue
San Francisco, CA 94102-3688

Re: New Placerville Courthouse Project

Dear Mr. Hirschfeld:


This is in response to your letter dated March 3, 2009, regarding the above-referenced matter. The City of Placerville is pleased to identify a site within the City for the proposed new courthouse. The proposed site is located at 300 Forni Road, and identified as Assessor's Parcel Number 325-300-32. The site consists of approximately 4.5 to 5.5 acres and is adjacent to the existing El Dorado County Jail facility. The site is presently zoned for public facility uses.

As previously indicated, the site is within the Placerville city limits and located very close to the Forni Road/Placerville Drive eastbound off-ramp of U.S. Highway 50. The real property is owned by El Dorado County and has been considered a potential courthouse site for many years. Its proximity to the El Dorado County Jail, as well as the County Government Center, makes it an excellent location for a new courthouse facility in Placerville.

Placerville is the county seat for El Dorado County and, as previously indicated, the site of the El Dorado County Government Center. The City of Placerville has always been the location of the primary courthouse facility for El Dorado County. The site is located in the Placerville Drive business district of the City and is also within approximately one mile of the City's central business district.

It is my understanding that El Dorado County will be providing you with more specific information relating to the site itself, including those matters identified in your letter of March 3, 2009. The City of Placerville, however, wants to express its support for this site for the new Placerville courthouse project.

Very truly yours,


John Driscoll
City Manager/City Attorney
City of Placerville

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