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EDC.COB,

Please attach this public comment to BOS 1-26-2021 Agenda - Item #23 Closed Session. The informational email attachment is a simple, one-page description of El Dorado Gold 1848, nonprofit PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION, 501(c)(3) for the purpose of informing the Board of Supervisors.


As described in the email and attachment provided as public comment, an understanding has been reached between the El Dorado County Historical Society and newly formed El Dorado Gold 1848. With the BOS concurrence and acceptance, and with the understanding of County Counsel, El Dorado Gold 1848 has assumed the Historical Society's refined proposal primary responsibility for purchase of the County's 515 & 525 Main Street, Placerville properties. EDCHS will move to a secondary responsibility envisioned in the refined EDCHS proposal for the Mineral and Gem Society. With the support and cooperative relationship of EDCHS, El Dorado Gold 1848 has been created specifically for the purpose of completing the negotiations with the County and acquiring the 515 & 525 Main Street properties.

With the assistance of EDCHS, the entire purchase price has been pledged to El Dorado Gold 1848 for the acquisition of the properties. El Dorado Gold 1848 alone, or in conjunction with EDCHS, is prepared to complete the escrow conditions, opened for the purchase of completing the sales transaction and to own and manage the respective properties.

We look forward to completing all the conditions as stipulated in the escrow instructions. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Kris Payne

Past President of the EDCHS and Vice-President of El Dorado Gold 1848

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El Dorado Gold 1848

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El Dorado Gold 1848 (1848) is a nonprofit PUBLIC BENEFIT CORPORATION, 501(c)(3), whose purpose is to create a Museum to display heritage and enhance future endeavors through education and preservation of historical buildings and historical artifacts. 1848's first endeavor is to purchase and manage the buildings and property acquired from El Dorado County, located at 515 & 525 Main Street, Placerville CA 95667. These building are generally known as the Old WPA Post Office and historic Telephone Annex .

The 1848 business plan is to acquire these properties and manage them for the specific benefit of the El Dorado County/Placerville community, for the general benefit of all history lovers and especially children. Because of the unique Main Street Placerville location and historic significance of these properties, 515 Main Street will be developed as a Community Center Museum which will include Resources, and 525 Main Street will have Office Space leased to other nonprofits with compatible interests. The spaces will be of various sizes and uses and made available at a reasonable and fair price to its tenants. 1848 will manage these properties.

Individual, historically correct mailboxes will be available to its tenants. The Community Center will be a Museum and Resource Center and will display historically significant artifacts on the walls and in display cases. In addition, there will be meeting space for the use of supporting each tenant's operation and membership. The main lobby and general entrance will consist of the Tom E. Lewis' 1941 oil on canvas mural "Forest Genetics", a public counter, old safe, displays and wall hangings. The lobby can be convertible to a large meeting space with a screen monitor with audio/visual enhancement. Smaller meeting rooms will also be available for rent.

The financial viability of 1848 is dependent on the rents collected and sponsorships, donations, and grants received.

The success model used to pattern the 1848 business plan is the El Dorado Gold 2016 World Gold Panning Championship. The elements developed for this memorable event consisted of its volunteers, sponsors, promotions, community involvement, website, supporting activities, and County government, County Chambers of Commerce and County Office of Education support.