



Building Industry Association of Southern California, Inc.  
ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER

March 9, 2015

Chairman Robert Dickson and Planning Commission Members  
City of Costa Mesa  
77 Fair View Drive  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Re: **COMMENTS ON PROPOSED PARKLAND IMPACT FEES**

Dear Chairman Dickson,

On behalf of our membership, we are in support of the proposed update to the City's Parkland In-Lieu Fees Program (Parkland Impact Fees). We would like to thank City staff for the opportunity to review the proposed fee adjustment, and for requesting our input in this important matter.

The Building Industry Association of Southern California, Orange County Chapter (BIA/ OC) is a non-profit trade association of nearly 1,000 companies employing over 100,000 people affiliated with the home building industry. The Orange County Chapter represents the largest member base within BIA Southern California. Our mission is to champion housing as the foundation of vibrant and sustainable communities.

After review of the City staff's report related to the proposed Parkland Impact Fees, we are pleased to see a reduction from the current fee program for Single Family and Multi-Family Owner dwelling units (condominiums). Housing costs in our region are affected by development fees, we applaud City staff for re calibrating the City's park fees in accordance with the requirements of State law.

As always, we remain a resource to the City on important issues that are related to the well-being of our local communities.

Thank you for time and thoughtful consideration.

Respectfully,

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