POLICE PROTECTION

For your convenience, we have provided space below for your answers. If you choose to answer these questions in the form of a letter, please number your responses to correspond to the questions. We would very much appreciate a response by **July 16, 2019**. Please return the completed questionnaire via email to ryan.bensley@lsa.net.

1. Please evaluate the following statement for accuracy. If any of the information contained in the text below is incorrect or should be updated, please indicate the needed revisions below.

The City of Lake Forest contracts with the Orange County Sheriff’s Department (OCSD) for law enforcement services. The OCSD provides 24-hour contract law enforcement services to the City. The OCSD currently provides 24-hour contract law enforcement services to the City out of its Saddleback Station at 20202 Windrow in Lake Forest, approximately 0.2 mile east of the Project Site.

The OCSD/Police Services Department embraces the concept of Community-Oriented Policing, which encompasses the active participation of local government, civic and business leaders, residents, schools, churches and other public and private agencies.

A total of 53 OCSD personnel are assigned to the City, including five sergeants, three investigators, 38 deputies, an investigative assistant, five community services officers, and one crime prevention specialist. The City’s staffing level is based on response times and crime rates determined to be adequate for the City.

Response times to the project site are dependent on various factors, including the location of patrol vehicles at the given moment. Emergency calls receive the quickest response, with alarm calls and non-emergency calls having longer response times. Response times for the City of Lake Forest for both Priority 1 (i.e., red light/siren) and Priority 2 (i.e., urgent – no lights/siren) are less than **5 minutes** and **7 minutes**, respectively.

2. The new Lake Forest Civic Center being built south of the proposed project will include a new community police facility for the City of Lake Forest. Are there any other current plans for expansion of Sheriff Department facilities, services, or staff or to construct a new facility? If yes, please explain.

There will not be any expansion of facilities or services. There are plans to add a Deputy Sheriff around March of 2020, depending on available funding in the City of Lake Forest General Fund.
3. Would the project substantially increase response times or create a substantial increase in demand for staff, facilities, equipment, or police or other emergency services (e.g., as a result of potential increase in call volume)?

No, there will not be a substantial increase.

4. Are there any specific crime prevention design features that the OCSD recommends for incorporation into the proposed project?

Proper and adequate lighting for security purposes.
5. **Based on the proposed project description, will the OCSD be able to adequately serve the proposed project? If not, can you recommend any measures for mitigating project impacts that might be incorporated into the project?**

Yes.

6. **Please provide any additional comments or questions you would like to see addressed in the environmental analysis for this project.**

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