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Kevin Canning, Contract Planner OCPW Development Services/Planning 301 North Ross Street Santa Ana, CA 92701

Submitted via email to: <u>LegacyatCoto@ocpw.ocgov.com</u>

Subject: Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report for Legacy at Coto Project (Planning Application No. PA-20-0022)

Dear Mr. Canning:

The City of Rancho Santa Margarita appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the Notice of Preparation of a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the Legacy at Coto Project. We offer the following comments on the environmental analysis to be contained within the Draft EIR.

We respectfully request that the traffic analysis portion of the Draft EIR include intersections within Rancho Santa Margarita. As stated in the City's comment letter for the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) provided on July 27, 2020, the previous traffic study only evaluated intersections within Coto de Caza. An evaluation of how trips are distributed after leaving Coto de Caza is necessary. At a minimum, the traffic analysis should include the intersections of Antonio Parkway/Coto de Caza Drive and Plano Trabuco/Dove Canyon Drive.

Please keep us informed regarding the status of the proposed Legacy at Coto Project. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (949) 635-1816 or ckuta@cityofrsm.org.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Kuta, AICP

Development Services Director City of Rancho Santa Margarita