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Dear Members of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission,

This coming Thursday the Planning Commission is poised to approve a number of amendments, variances, Environmental Impact Report, Development Agreement, and now not to just certify the EIR, but to adopt Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations. All of these findings have one crucial factor in common: **THEY TOTALLY IGNORE THE IMPACT OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT ON CITY COLLEGE OF SAN FRANCISCO**, as if City College does not exist, as if City College has not served our entire community for 85 years as the place where San Franciscans can learn a profession or a trade, while also lifting their spirits and developing their whole persons by also taking classes in critical thinking, Ethnic Studies, history, music, theater and the other performing arts. The school that has trained nurses, engineers, draftspeople, graphic artists, jewelers, dancers, actors, musicians, photographers, filmmakers, emergency responders, car mechanics, airplane mechanics, electricians, motorcycle mechanics, body shop workers, carpenters, real estate professionals, accountants, culinary arts professionals, law enforcement officers, alcohol, drug, and trauma recovery counselors, and untold others. If you allow this development to go through, you will be killing City College forever, and destroying the future economy of San Francisco. Because these are the vital trades and professions that make San Francisco the envy of the world, and that make San Francisco function.

This development will be coming before you soon. Transfer the site to City College of San Francisco once for all. It has served as the West Campus for decades, and is sorely needed now more than ever, when City College will finally build its Performing Arts Education Center, now downsized and known as the Diego Rivera Theater as well as the Science Technology Engineering Arts and Mathematics building on the upper parking lot. It was always assumed that the lower lot would continue to be part of the west campus, and would serve as the parking lot for the campus once the Theater and the STEAM building were built.

Do what is morally, spiritually, and ethically required of you, as commissioners of the City and County of San Francisco. Protect the people's current and future interest. Transfer the land to City College and do not approve the so called "Balboa Reservoir Project". There are countless other sites where to build housing, but there is only one City College.

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Supplementary Notes:

The ask of the Commission regarding the EIR has suddenly expanded enormously. Initially, they were being asked to **certify** the EIR for accuracy, objectivity, etc.

Now, the latest packet <https://commissions.sfplanning.org/cpcpackets/2018-007883GPAPCAMAPDVA.pdf> is asking the Commission, not just to certify the EIR, but to **adopt Findings and a Statement of Overriding Considerations**.

The Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations is buried in the Commission packet. It's in Attachment A, beginning on p. 1210 of the 2256-page PDF. The Statement of Overriding Considerations is on p. 1234 of the PDF.

Findings, and Statement of Overriding Considerations were not contained in the Response-To-Comments (4/29/2020). I think this just showed up on the Planning website this past week (Is that correct, Jean?). For sure, it's a Rush to Judgment.

The importance of the Statement of Overriding Consideration lies in the fact that it would allow the project to proceed no matter how bad the impacts are.

Planning Commission, Land Use Committee (File 200422 & 200423), BOS, PUC:

A hidden treasure for the developers is contained in Attachment A, "CEQA Findings" <https://commissions.sfplanning.org/cpcpackets/2018-007883GPAPCAMAPDVA.pdf>

The hidden treasure is the estimated price of the PUC Reservoir parcel 3180-190.

From page 21 of Attachment A (p. 1231 of the 2,256-page PDF):

"The expected land cost is estimated at approximately \$11.2 million."

In comparison a **0.3 acre** lot at 16th/Shotwell is selling for **\$10 million**.....while the 17.6 acre PUC parcel is \$11.2 million?!



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The lot on 24th Street comes to \$33.33 million/acre; the Reservoir lot = a mere \$ 0.64 million/acre.

The PUC lot's estimated price computes to only **1.9% of the 24th Street** lot on a per acre basis!

