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Re: Application Process for Creekside Memorial Park Cemetery Project  
County File LP052096

Dear Ms. Bhat:

Thank you for your letter of August 2, 2012. We appreciate your acknowledgment of the additional information that we provided and your determination that Mr. Corrie is a qualified applicant pursuant to County Code §26-2.1604.

To be sure there are no factual misunderstandings, I wanted to provide you with a brief reply to correct what I believe are a couple of misperceptions which are reflected in your August 2 letter.

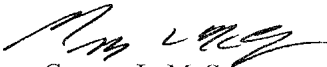
Your correspondence suggests that any exercise of Mr. Corrie's option rights would require a "variance to allow for two substandard parcels in the A-80 Zoning District." In fact, there is one substandard parcel in that district currently, which is one of the parcels we are dealing with as part of both the Application and the Option Agreement, a currently existing 34 acre parcel. Upon exercise of the Option there would not be two substandard parcels created, but both before and after the exercise of the option there would remain one substandard parcel. There would be a new parcel created that would be nine acres, and the balance of the property would through lot line adjustment become part of a fully complying parcel.

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In addition, the new substandard parcel which would replace the existing substandard parcel is contiguous to two existing parcels which are 1.66 acres and 2.35 acres, respectively, certainly therefore consistent with the size, shape, topography, location and surroundings of other properties in the vicinity, a subject which Mr. Corrie reviewed with Demian Hardman several months ago.

We look forward to continuing to work with you in proceeding with this application.

Very truly yours,



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