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Mr. Steve Van Gorp
City of Las Vegas Planning Development
731 South 4th Street
Las Vegas, NV 89109

Re: **Parking Garage**
HKS Project No. 12867.001
Planning & Development Justification Letter

Dear Mr. Van Gorp:

The Parking Garage will be built as part of the previously submitted DISCOVERY Children's Museum. It will be located downtown - the geographic center of the Las Vegas valley - as part of the 4.75 acres set aside by the city within the 61-acre parcel of undeveloped land formerly owned by the Union Pacific Railroad called Symphony Park. It is located to the Southeast of the "Spaghetti Bowl", North of Bonneville Avenue across Grand Central Parkway from the World Market Center. Situated at the center of the 61-acre development and part of The Smith Center site, the Parking Garage will contain 337 parking spaces, of which seven (7) will be accessible with four (4) being van accessible. This total number of parking spaces will adequately serve the DISCOVERY Children's Museum's need of 250 parking spaces while the remaining spaces may be used as needed by The Smith Center.

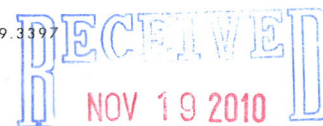
The Parking Garage will be a pay-to-park facility. Visitors to the DISCOVERY Children's Museum and/or The Smith Center can get their parking passes "checked" at the door while others will be required to pay the parking fee. The garage will be available for parking 24 hours a day / 7 days a week.

Additionally, the Design Team has been informed that the SPDRC is compiling a response letter to the November 2, 2010 resubmittal of the Design Development Submission. In this letter, which should be received in the coming days, the SPDRC will outline which waivers the Design Team will be requesting from the City of Las Vegas.

The Parking Garage is being commissioned in tandem with the DISCOVERY Children's Museum since it cannot achieve LEED certification by itself as the LEED ratings system does not provide for structures, such as a non-occupied parking garage, to be certified. The museum however will meet LEED certification by itself regardless if the garage is not approved. The two are anticipated to achieve a combined total of 33 points under LEED v2.0 for a target of Silver certification. Fifteen additional credits have been targeted as potential. All expected LEED credit requirements will be utilized on both the museum base building and the garage, from the buildings system commissioning to the documentation of regionally extracted and manufactured materials and products. Please see the attached LEED scorecard and credit notes for further clarification.

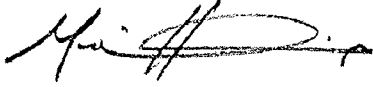
The Parking Garage Design Team and the Las Vegas Performing Arts Foundation submit the following attached written responses to comments from the SPDRC regarding the Parking Garage Design Development Submittal that was received on October 20, 2010. The responses are supplemented by the attachments to this letter regarding Landscape Architecture, Civil, LEED, and Architectural responses.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael A. Ayer". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping "M" and a long, horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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