



# Memorandum

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Councilmember Rose Herrera

**SUBJECT:** PDC09-008

**DATE:** May 15, 2009

Approved

Date

5/15/09

## RECOMMENDATION

Approve the staff recommendation on the project.

## BACKGROUND

This is one of the first residential projects being planned in District 8 using the Evergreen-East Hills Development Policy. This project conforms with the guidelines and spirit of the policy. City Council clarified on April 15, 2008 that it now encourages the filing of residential development applications in the Evergreen-East Hills area (area east of Highway 101 and south of Story Road) specifically for proposals of 35 units or fewer. The City Council also clarified that residential projects of greater than 35 units in size are still discouraged, and all commercial and industrial projects applications continue to be encouraged.

This is an exciting project as it will provide quality homes in the area and land for Fire Station 21. The Planning Commission approved this project with the request that a through street with vehicular and pedestrian access be considered to connect a new street within the project with Flintcrest Drive. Flintcrest Drive is currently a cul-de-sac and the neighbors and developer are not supportive of making this a through street. The Fire Department has noted that not adding a through street to Flintcrest Drive will in no way adversely compromise their ability to provide fire services in that neighborhood. The project should not include a through street to Flintcrest Drive.

Lastly, the neighbors are very concerned about this development moving forward with more than 14 units. The proposed 2009-2010 Capital budget includes Fire Station 21 at White Road. Based on the proposed budget, I am confident that Fire Station No. 21 will move forward at this location.