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Re: Red Oak Investments

To whom this may concern:

I formerly worked as the Deputy for Economic Development for current Los Angeles City Councilmember Bernard C. Parks (2003-2009), and as the Associate Director for Local Government Relations at the University of Southern California (2009-2012). I am now a candidate for the City of Los Angeles' 9<sup>th</sup> Council District. The election is scheduled for March 5, 2013.

I had the pleasure to work with Red Oak Investments on a housing project with an extremely sensitive context – several national historic register buildings, an immovable cultural artifact, and a neighborhood that had already been impacted by the university whose students would be served by the project. Red Oak designed its project in a way that reflected these sensitivities. They engaged community stakeholders, both supporters and opponents, with diligence and with respect. After the process, one of the most vocal opponents actually wrote a complimentary letter about Red Oak, saying “From my initial conversation and throughout the process I found that they were actually listening, thinking and considering.” The city and local community were pleased at how Red Oak worked and would welcome another chance to work with them.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (213) 359-0715 or via e-mail [drob1919@gmail.com](mailto:drob1919@gmail.com).

Sincerely,



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