



Town Council
110 E. Main Street
Los Gatos, CA 95030

RE: Revised - Story Pole Material Exemption Request
Winchester Assisted Living
15860 Winchester Blvd

Dear Mayor and Town Council,

On November 1, 2022 Town Council directed Swenson Builders to add a second row of flagging to the story poles in order to accommodate a replacement solution for the required netting called out in the Town's Height Pole and Netting Policy. Unfortunately, due to the winter weather in 2022 and multiple atmospheric storms that have taken place in 2023, the story-pole vendor has been unable to install the additional flagging. The property site has remained very wet and muddy, and the equipment needed to install the additional flagging cannot access the site.

Swenson is requesting an exemption from the Town's Height Pole and Netting Policy due to the physical challenges brought by recent and continued storm weather activity. The current conditions of the sites and continuous weather make the November 2022 direction from Town Council physically impossible without causing a safety risk during install, and a continued safety risk to the community and public.

As an alternative, Swenson is proposing to provide a virtual 3D model video to convey the overall massing of the proposed project in context of the surrounding neighborhood and existing neighboring structures as directed in the policy exception section to establish accuracy of a visual simulation. Additionally, we would like to provide additional signs of four feet by 6 feet on Shelburne Way and Winchester Blvd that depict the appropriate rendering for the respective street frontages.

Please find the link below to the example video from our rendering team. We would like to model our proposed video off of this example to highlight the project to the community:

<https://app.frame.io/reviews/740eab00-f5cd-4bf5-aec0-42d536e385ea/016211ed-fecc-4ba1-846f-1888352ed02d>

Additionally, please find the link to our current renderings that we have for the project, that were included in our plan set. Of these renderings, we are offering to add additional signage for each street frontage of the council's choosing to further highlight the development to the community (Please find attached as well):

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/y7crtiksy40f6k2/AABoVifFqtGqJS0ygWWLWguxa?dl=0>



Please accept this written request for an exemption to the Town's Height Pole and Netting Policy regarding our proposed project located at 15860 Winchester Boulevard. Under the "exceptions" section of the Town's Height Pole and Netting Policy, if the story poles or materials cause a threat to public health or safety, other alternative representations may be utilized. Given the continuous extreme weather, and in an effort to further prevent delay of the project application, we respectfully request an exemption and wish to provide a 3D model video alternative as well as the additional proposed signage.

Sincerely,

Jessie Bristow
Swenson Builders















