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Multi-Family Zoning Task Force
City of Pasadena

Dear Task Force Members:

We are pleased to transmit to you this partial draft of the proposed Multi-family Housing Design Standards. This work has been prepared collaboratively by our firm and the Center for Environmental Structure. It has been our joint decision to make two separate documents. Our version is intended to serve as a draft for the ordinance itself, the tone of which has been established by the goals of brevity and clarity.

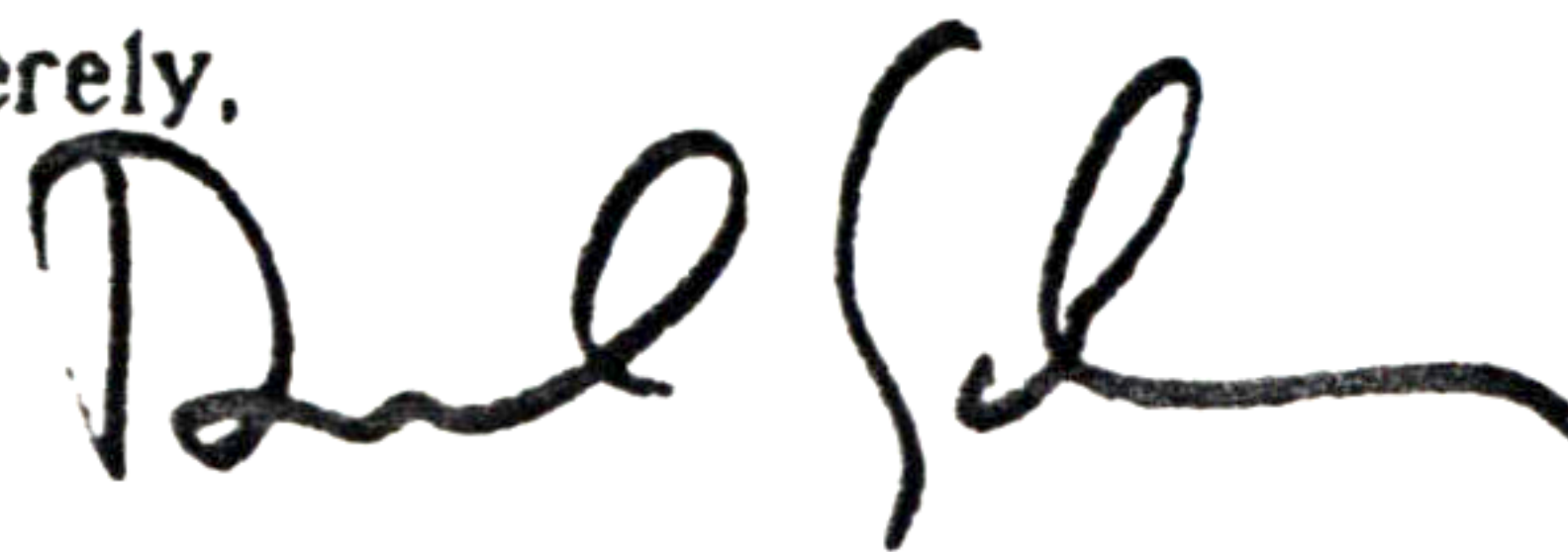
The CES document presents a more elaborate argument and more detailed instruction on use of the ordinance. It should be noted that the planning and urban design intentions that underlay both documents are similar except in some details. The numerical standards for density and open space differ somewhat only because we have not yet had time to review each case together and arrive at a concurrence.

The principal ideas of the ordinance, its emphasis on gardens and its variable density standard, have been developed jointly and appear in both documents.

It is our belief that both versions should go forward to completion—one as the ordinance itself, the other as an explanatory ordinance handbook. The exact form in which these two documents are to be assembled and distributed should be a subject for discussion by the task force.

We feel that we have made considerable progress toward an effective and workable set of standards that will perpetuate Pasadena's special qualities. We look forward to your response to this work.

Sincerely,



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