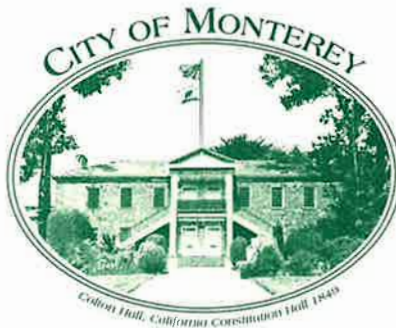


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February 18, 2020

David Stoldt  
General Manager  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
P.O. Box 85  
Monterey, CA 93940

**Re: Water allocation request for Garden Road affordable housing projects**

~~Dear Mr. Stoldt,~~ *Dear Dave,*

The City of Monterey appreciates the opportunity to participate in the Technical Advisory Committee and is looking forward to support the Water Management District.

Today, I am writing you to ask the District to support two projects located at 2000 and 2600 Garden Road, which are ready to start in June and October 2020. At 2000 Garden Road, the developer Mr. Brad Slama intends to demolish the former Gold's Gym site into an apartment building. For this site, he is requesting water for an additional 36 affordable studio apartments. At the 2600 Garden Road site, he proposes to convert an office building into apartments. With an additional water allocation, he will be able to add another 35 all-affordable units. In total, using the existing water allocation on site and the possible additional allocation from the District, the two projects would create 166 new units, which include a total of 90 affordable units. These projects will have a positive, measurable impact on our overall housing supply.

It is our understanding that the Water Management District has a water reserve of 9af of water available. We request that the District works with the developer and allocates the additional water to the two project sites with the condition of affordable units being built as outlined above.

Since the developer is drawing up plans for the new building and the conversion of the office building, we hope that the District can make a determination in favor of those two project as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (831) 646-3760.

Sincerely

Hans Uslar  
City Manager

CC: Kim Cole, Community Development Director  
Ande Flower, Principal Planner  
Mr. Brad Slama