Just to let you know, the problems with the ADA ramp will be corrected by the subcontractor that constructed the ramp (a subcontractor to GSD) at their own cost, it will NOT be a cost to the City or Prop K.

Just so you understand, while we make every effort to accommodate the needs and wishes of the LVNOC when possible, ultimately, the City, not the LVNOC, must make the final decision on design - the LVNOC is an advisory body. We generally look to compliance with all local, state and federal rules, regulations and ordinances, including compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, as required and enforced by the Department of Building and Safety for all projects meeting minimum costs thresholds, which this does. You also should remember that this project was previously designed and was in bid and award by Rec and Parks prior to being turned over to the Bureau of Engineering. Due to this, we have less funds to spend, and had not allocated staff time to the project (Prop K cannot pay for work already paid for, therefore, we have very little administrative funds to manage this project, it was delayed in construction start due to delays in transferring the funds from Prop K to GSD, beyond the control of the Bureau of Engineering, which pushed the construction into a time period where it is competing with a number of other, GSD constructed projects approximately 1 year later than it should have been started in construction.

Finally, my staff is 4 Project Managers short, due to promotions out of my section, which does in fact put us in a position where we have too many projects for too few project managers.

I know that both David Takata and Alice Gong, as well as GSD, are working to fix the ramp issue, and move this project to completion as soon as possible. I apologize that you have not received all of the attention and quick responses that you have requested, however, we have had triple as many LVNOC meetings as ANY other project this size, have spent far more (and not taken it out of Prop K) funds on this project than were allocated (I personally have had to go to bat with Bureau Executive Management to allow us to stop charging time to the Prop K work order for this project).

Thank you

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