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Via Email: warriors@sfgov.org
Brett Bollinger
City of San Francisco

Re: Comments on Warriors Entertainment Center
Draft Subsequent Environmental Impact Report

Dear Mr. Bollinger,

I have serious concerns regarding the environmental impacts of the proposed Warriors Arena, which are not fully disclosed or fully analyzed in the Draft EIR. I do not believe that the most recent announcement from UCSF (WinWinSF) would adequately address the following points:

Unmanageable Traffic and Incompatible Land Uses
The Draft EIR shows that the project would cause severe traffic gridlock, noise and air pollution in Mission Bay, right next to UCSF and other medical facilities. A new massive entertainment center is inconsistent with these current and previously planned future uses, previously proposed under the carefully developed Mission Bay Plan. Yet, the Draft EIR does not even discuss the land use impacts of the project, which were not analyzed in the Mission Bay Plan EIR.

Additionally, the project will further hinder access to other parts of the City and the Bay Bridge to Mission Bay. Even with the improvements promised by the City, Mission Bay cannot handle up to 18,500 fans at 225 events per year, especially when both stadiums have games. Parking will also be a nightmare, with less than 200 dedicated parking spaces for the 18,500-seat entertainment center. While restricting the number of parking spaces may be considered a means of traffic management under the City's regulations, the practical effect will be yet more gridlock and unhealthy air emissions.

The traffic and parking impacts will reduce access for emergency and urgent care for patients seeking health care services and add to the existing commute challenges for the nurses, doctors and medical staff who work at the Mission Bay medical campus. The Draft EIR also ignores the health and safety impacts of interfering with access to essential medical facilities.

Health Concerns
The project's traffic new massive gridlock and parking problems will also cause significant and unavoidable impacts on air quality. Increased car and truck emissions in the area will be unhealthy for residents, workers and hospital patients. This will have a disastrous impact on the health and welfare of Mission Bay residents and patients and families who rely on UCSF and other lifesaving services in Mission Bay. The Draft EIR fails to address and mitigate these health impacts, relying on vague plans and purchases of emissions offsets rather than effective mitigation measures as required by CEQA.

The current health care and research center is a hub of care and innovation, the future of this world-class medical center should not be jeopardized by billionaires seeking to double the value of the Warriors as a sports franchise on the backs of San Francisco residents.

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Overall, we are disappointed in the City's approach to environmental review of this project, which fails to fully assess the impacts of the project and fails to provide adequate mitigation for the impacts that are identified in the Draft EIR. Specifically, reliance on the 1998 EIR prepared for entirely different land uses for several important impact areas defies common sense and CEQA's review requirements. Moreover, the Draft EIR does not reflect a commitment to in innovative and sustainable development, and rather represents a step backward from environmental stewardship.

Thus, we ask that the City of San Francisco avoid the disastrous impacts of the proposed entertainment center on the Mission Bay community, including the health and welfare of patients, families, employees and neighbors. The City should consider alternative sites, other than Mission Bay, for this environmentally damaging project and conduct a new and complete environmental review process before any decisions are made. Additionally, please place my name on the notice list for this project so that I may receive notice of any future actions by the City with respect to this project.

Sincerely,

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