HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION AGENDA
February 16, 2022
ZOOM VIRTUAL MEETING
5:00 p.m.
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, California 95630

In association with the Governor’s proclamation of a State of Emergency due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency and Assembly Bill 361, the Sacramento County Health Order dated January 6, 2022 has ordered that all in-person council and commission public meetings be suspended, and that those meetings be conducted virtually.

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CALL TO ORDER HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION: Mark Dascallos, Daniel West, John Lane, Mickey Ankhelyi, Justin Raithel, John Felts, Kathy Cole

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: The Historic District Commission welcomes and encourages participation in City Historic District Commission meetings, and will allow up to five minutes for expression on a non-agenda item. Matters under the jurisdiction of the Commission, and not on the posted agenda, may be addressed by the general public; however, California law prohibits the Commission from taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an emergency by the Commission.

MINUTES

The minutes of the January 19, 2022 meeting will be presented for approval.
NEW BUSINESS

1. PN 19-182, Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Conditional Use Permit and Adoption of a Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program

A Public Hearing to consider a request from Igor Semenyuk for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a crematory to operate in an existing metal structure situated within the Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery located at 1201 Forrest Street. The zoning classification for the site is OS/P, while the General Plan land-use designation is OS. An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. (Project Planner: Josh Kinkade / Applicant: Igor Semenyuk)

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION / PRINCIPAL PLANNER REPORT

The next Historic District Commission meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2022. Additional non-public hearing items may be added to the agenda; any such additions will be posted on the bulletin board in the foyer at City Hall at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. Persons having questions on any of these items can visit the Community Development Department during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) at City Hall, 2nd Floor, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, California, prior to the meeting. The phone number is (916) 461-6200 and fax number is (916) 355-7274.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a disabled person and you need a disability-related modification or accommodation to participate in the meeting, please contact the Community Development Department at (916) 461-6231, (916) 355-7274 (fax) or kmullett@folsom.ca.us. Requests must be made as early as possible and at least two-full business days before the start of the meeting.

NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

The appeal period for Historic District Commission Action: Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code, Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code, Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning, and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, this public hearing. Any appeal of a Historic District Commission action must be filed, in writing with the City Clerk’s Office no later than ten (10) days from the date of the action pursuant to Resolution No. 8081.
CALL TO ORDER HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION: Daniel West, Mickey Ankhelyi, Justin Raithel, John Felts, Mark Dascallos, Kathy Cole

ABSENT: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: None

MINUTES: The minutes of the December 15, 2021 meeting were approved as submitted.

Oath of Office Administered to Kathy Cole, Mark Dascallos and Justin Raithel

Election of Chair and Vice Chair

THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCED THEIR VOTES FOR CHAIR AS FOLLOWS:

DAN WEST: KATHY COLE
MICKEY ANKHELYI: KATHY COLE
JUSTIN RAITHEL: KATHY COLE
JOHN FELTS: KATHY COLE
MARK DASCALLOS: KATHY COLE
KATHY COLE: KATHY COLE

COMMISSIONER COLE WAS SELECTED TO SERVE AS CHAIR FOR 2022.

THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCED THEIR VOTES FOR VICE CHAIR AS FOLLOWS:

DAN WEST: MICKEY ANKHELYI
MICKEY ANKHELYI: MICKEY ANKHELYI
JUSTIN RAITHEL: MICKEY ANKHELYI
JOHN FELTS: MICKEY ANKHELYI
MARK DASCALLOS: MICKEY ANKHELYI
KATHY COLE: MICKEY ANKHELYI

COMMISSIONER ANKHELYI WAS SELECTED TO SERVE AS VICE CHAIR FOR 2022.
OLD BUSINESS

1. PN 21-273, 811 Sutter Street Sign Permit and Determination that the Project is Exempt from CEQA (Continued from the 12/15/21 HDC Meeting)

A Public Meeting to consider a request from United Sign Systems for approval of a Sign Permit application for a wall sign and under-canopy sign for Maribou Salon located at 811 Sutter Street. The zoning classification for the site is SUT/HD, while the General Plan land-use designation is HF. The project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) in accordance with Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.  (Project Planner: Josh Kinkade/Applicant: United Sign Systems)

COMMISSIONER RAITHEL MOVED TO APPROVE THE 811 SUTTER STREET SIGN PERMIT (PN 21-273), SUBJECT TO THE FINDING INCLUDED IN THE REPORT (FINDINGS A-I) AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVALS (CONDITIONS 1-6).

COMMISSIONER FELTS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: WEST, RAITHEL, FELTS, ANKHELYI, COLE
NOES: NONE
RECUSED: DASCALLOS
ABSENT: NONE

2. PN 21-239, 309 Figueroa Street Remodel and Determination that the Project is Exempt from CEQA (Continued from the 11/18/21 HDC Meeting)

A Public Meeting to consider a request from Belwood Investments for approval of a Residential Design Review application for a remodel of an existing single-family residence located at 309 Figueroa Street. The zoning classification for the site is R-1-M/FIG, while the General Plan land-use designation is SFHD. The project is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) in accordance with Section 15301 of the CEQA Guidelines.  (Project Planner: Josh Kinkade/Applicant: Belwood Investments)

1. Rachael Phillips addressed the Historic District Commission with concerns regarding noticing and alley access.
2. Jennifer Lane addressed the Historic District Commission with concerns regarding the windows and tree removal.
3. Margaret Weaver addressed the Historic District Commission with concerns regarding noticing and parking requirements.
4. Doug Scalzi addressed the Historic District Commission in support of the project.
5. Bob Delp addressed the Historic District Commission with concerns regarding the garage conversion.

COMMISSIONER DASCALLOS MOVED TO APPROVE THE 811 SUTTER STREET SIGN PERMIT (PN 21-273), SUBJECT TO THE FINDING INCLUDED IN THE REPORT (FINDINGS A-I) AND CONDITIONS OF APPROVALS (CONDITIONS 1-6).

COMMISSIONER ANKHELYI MADE A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO CONDITION NO. 3 TO ADD:

“3. This approval is for a remodel of an existing single-family residence located at 309 Figueroa Street. The applicant shall submit building plans that comply with this approval and the site plan, floor plans and elevations included in Attachment 5 and the colors and materials board included in Attachment 6. Window grids shall be limited to a maximum of 12 grid squares per window.”

COMMISSIONER DASCALLOS ACCEPTED THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT.

COMMISSIONER FELTS SECONDED THE MOTION WHICH CARRIED THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES: WEST, RAITHEL, FELTS, DASCALLOS, ANKHELYI
NOES: NONE
RECUSED: COLE
ABSENT: NONE
**PRINCIPAL PLANNER REPORT**

The next scheduled Historic District Commission meeting will be held February 16, 2022.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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Kelly Mullett, ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

**APPROVED:**

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Kathy Cole, CHAIR
Historic District Commission Staff Report
50 Natoma Street, Council Chambers
Folsom, CA 95630

Project: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Conditional Use Permit
File #: PN-19-182
Request: Conditional Use Permit
Location: 1201 Forrest Street
Parcel(s): 070-0260-001-0000
Staff Contact: Josh Kinkade, Associate Planner, 916-461-6209
jkinkade@folsom.ca.us

Property Owner                      Applicant
Name: Lakeside Memorial Lawn        Name: Igor Semenyuk
Address: 1201 Forrest Street        Address: 507 Scott Street
Folsom CA 95630                     Folsom, CA 95630

Recommendation: Conduct a public hearing and upon conclusion recommend approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow for a crematory to operate in an existing metal structure situated within the Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery located at 1201 Forrest Street (PN 19-182) subject to the findings included in this report (Findings A-K) and attached conditions of approval (Conditions 1-30).

Project Summary: The proposed project includes operation of a crematorium in an existing 1,071-square foot metal structure within the Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery located at 1201 Forrest Street.

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Type: Public Hearing
Date: February 16, 2022

12. Images of Crematoriums Adjacent to Residential Uses in the Region
13. Public Comments Received Prior to Staff Report Publication

Submitted,

[Signature]

PAM JOHNS
Community Development Director
APPLICANT’S PROPOSAL
The applicant, Igor Semenyuk, is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit (PN 19-182) to operate a crematorium in an existing 1,071-square foot metal structure within the Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery located at 1201 Forrest Street. The proposed project includes the installation of one HCT Apex-250 crematory (manufactured by Hartwick Combustion) within an existing metal structure. The roof of the structure would be cut open to accommodate this device, but the structure’s footprint would not be expanded. In addition, a 10-foot-wide by 15-foot-wide walk-in cooler would be installed inside the structure to provide temporary, short-term storage of human remains prior to cremation. Two 250-gallon propane tanks will be installed on a proposed concrete pad along the northern side of the structure to provide power for the crematorium, as no gas lines currently exist on the property. The concrete pad will cover approximately 38.3 square feet of ground. An exhaust stack will be installed on the roof of the metal structure (as shown in Attachment 6). The applicant proposes up to four cremations per day and expects that the total will not exceed 500 cremations per year. Average cremation time is approximately 90 minutes. One to two employees would be present to operate the crematorium during the cremation process. Existing parking spaces would be utilized to accommodate employees and visitors. The Applicant’s project description, which includes additional information related to the cremation process and other project-related details, is included as Attachment 9. Please refer to Attachment 5 for the proposed site plans and floor plan and Attachment 6 for the Hartwick Combustion Technologies Floor Plan, Outer Dimensions and Specifications.

POLICY/RULE
Section 17.52.550 of the Folsom Municipal Code (FMC) states that cemeteries are permitted in the Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District with a conditional use permit (“CUP”). The Folsom Municipal Code does not address crematoriums as a land use.

Section 17.52.360 of the FMC states that the Historic District Commission (HDC) shall have final authority relating to the issuance of Conditional Use Permits for any of the uses or purposes for which such permits are required or permitted by the terms of this title, within the boundaries of the Historic District.

Use Permits are governed by Chapter 17.60 of the FMC. Section 17.60.040 states that the findings of the Commission shall be that the establishment, maintenance or operation of the use applied for will or will not, under the circumstances of the particular case, be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort and general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood of such proposed use or be detrimental or injurious to property and improvements in the neighborhood, or to the general welfare of
the city.

**ANALYSIS**

**General Plan and Zoning Consistency**

The General Plan land use designation for the project site is OS (Open Space) and the zoning designation for the project site is OS/P (Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District) with an underlying zoning of OSC (Open Space Conservation District). The zoning designation is consistent with the General Plan designation.

Cemeteries are a permitted use within the OS/P Primary Area upon approval of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) per Section 17.52.550 of the FMC. The subject cemetery has been in operation since the 1800’s and pre-dates the requirement for a CUP. The cemetery did receive a CUP for operation of a mausoleum in 1995. The proposed crematory would be operating as an accessory use to the existing cemetery, not as a stand-alone business.

Crematories are not specifically addressed in the Folsom Municipal Code. The Commission would then determine whether to approve the request for a CUP and impose appropriate conditions. If not, then the proposed crematory would not be considered a permitted use, even with a CUP.

A primary or principal use is the main use to which premises are devoted and the primary purpose for which the premises exist. Primary uses may be permitted by right or may be conditional uses subject to a CUP. Accessory uses are structures or activities that are subordinate in area, extent, and purpose to the primary use; contribute to the comfort, convenience, or necessity of the principal use; and are located on the same lot and the same zoning district as the principal use. Home occupations are a typical example of an accessory use. By definition, an accessory use must be associated with a principal use and cannot be established on a property without a principal use. (Adam U. Lindgren & Steven T. Mattas, California Land Use Practice (2021) § 4.46, Primary and Accessory Uses.)

In this case, the cemetery is the primary or principal use. The applicant proposes a crematorium as an accessory use to the existing cemetery. As proposed, the crematorium would be subordinate in area, extent, and purpose to that of the existing cemetery. It would provide a service related to and supportive of the service already provided by the cemetery and mausoleum. It would be located on the same lot and in the same zoning district as the principal use. It would be owned and operated by the same people who own and operate the existing cemetery and mausoleum.

As a part of the work to analyze whether a crematory is appropriate as an accessory use
to an existing cemetery, staff researched data available from the Sacramento Air Quality Management District regarding the locations of existing crematoriums within the county. As described in more detail in the Land Use Compatibility/Site Considerations section of the report, staff found that 16 crematoriums are currently operating within Sacramento County, five of which are located within cemeteries (East Lawn Memorial Park, Sacramento Memorial Lawn, St. Mary Cemetery and Funeral Center, and Sunset Lawn Chapel of the Chimes in Sacramento, and Mount Vernon Memorial Park & Mortuary in Fair Oaks).

Public comment letters have stated that a crematory is not appropriate as an accessory use in this case for a variety of reasons. Upon review, staff reads the majority of those comments to raise concerns about the impacts of the proposed use. Many, if not most, of the impacts discussed in the public comment letters can be mitigated by imposing appropriate conditions on the project. For that reason, as well as the fact that the crematory is not proposed as a stand-alone business but as an accessory use to the existing cemetery, staff analyzed those comments through the lens of the CUP.

Based on the analysis described above, staff concluded that the crematorium, as proposed, is an appropriate accessory use to the existing cemetery.

**Conditional Use Permit**

In order to approve a request for a Conditional Use Permit, the Commission must find that the “establishment, maintenance, or operation of the use or building applied for will or will not, under the circumstances of the particular case, be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort, and general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood of such proposed use, or be detrimental or injurious to property and improvements in the neighborhood, or to the general welfare of the City” (FMC section 17.60.040).

In evaluating the Conditional Use Permit, staff considered the proposed use and its compatibility with existing land uses in the area, as well as air quality impacts, cultural resources impacts, fire/life safety impacts, traffic/access/circulation/parking impacts, noise impacts, and visual impacts. Each of these subject matters are discussed in detail below and are further discussed in the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) provided in Attachment 11.

Should the Commission grant the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Conditional Use Permit, the CUP would be subject to ongoing review by the Community Development Department to ensure that it does not result in any adverse impacts to the community. Pursuant to FMC Section 17.60.050, in any case where the conditions to the granting of a use permit have not been, or are not, complied with, the Historic District Commission may revoke the permit after a public hearing on the matter. In addition, if the Community Development Director finds evidence that conditions of approval for the
Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematory business have not been fulfilled or that the use has resulted in a substantial adverse effect on the health, and/or general welfare of users of adjacent or proximate property, or have a substantial adverse impact on public facilities or services or the general welfare of the City, the Director will refer the use permit to the Historic District Commission for review. If, upon such review, the Historic District Commission finds that any of the above-stated results have occurred, the Commission may modify or revoke the Conditional Use Permit following a hearing on the matter. Condition No. 4 is included to reflect this requirement.

Air Quality
As part of the CEQA documentation for the proposed project, an Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Assessment was prepared by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc., and is included in Attachment 11. Two daily cremations were analyzed under the original environmental document, an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and the applicant later asked that the analysis show impacts for four cremations per day. As a result, HELIX also prepared an Addendum to the Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment, included in Appendix B of the IS/MND, that provides additional analysis regarding the air quality and greenhouse gas emissions assessment based on additional daily cremations. This analysis was incorporated into the IS/MND as well.

As a part of its environmental review, HELIX analyzed whether the proposed project will have or will potentially have a significant adverse impact on the environment, either individually or cumulatively with other projects. With respect to air quality, HELIX used the standard Environmental Initial Study Checklist to consider four main questions:

a. Would the project conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?

b. Would the project result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?

c. Would the project expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?

d. Would the project result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?

Ultimately, Helix determined that the proposed project would have no impact with respect to question b and would have a less than significant impact with respect to questions a, c, and d. The following sections provide an overview of the analysis related to sensitive receptors, criteria pollutants, toxic air contaminants and odors as they relate to both construction and operation of the proposed project.
Sensitive Receptors
In general, some land uses are considered more sensitive to air pollution than others due to the types of population groups or activities involved and are referred to as sensitive receptors. Examples of these sensitive receptors are residences, schools, hospitals, and daycare centers.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) have identified the following groups of individuals as the most likely to be affected by air pollution: people over 65 years old, children under 14 years old, infants (including in utero in the third trimester of pregnancy), and persons with cardiovascular and chronic respiratory diseases such as asthma, emphysema, and bronchitis.

Residential areas are considered sensitive receptors to air pollution because residents (including children and people over 65) tend to be at home for extended periods of time, resulting in sustained exposure to any pollutants present. Children and infants are considered more susceptible to health effects of air pollution due to their immature immune systems, developing organs, and higher breathing rates. As such, schools are also considered sensitive receptors, as children are present for extended durations and engage in regular outdoor activities.

The closest existing sensitive receptors to the project site are multiple single-family residences adjacent to the cemetery to the north, between 450 and 750 feet from the proposed crematory location, and mobile homes across Folsom Boulevard to the east, approximately 700 feet from the proposed crematory location. The closest schools to the project site are the Folsom Montessori School approximately 3,200 feet (0.6 miles) to the northeast and the Golden Valley Charter River School. That school is located across Lake Natoma from the project site and, though it is approximately 2.7 miles away by car, its physical location is about 3,000 feet (just over one-half mile) northwest of the project site. The nearest daycare is located 1,800 feet (0.3 miles) from the project site and the nearest hospital is located over 9,000 feet (1.8 miles) from the project site.

Criteria Pollutants
Ambient air quality is described in terms of compliance with state and national standards, and the levels of air pollutant concentrations considered safe, to protect the public health and welfare. These standards are designed to protect people most sensitive to respiratory distress, such as asthmatics, the elderly, very young children, people already weakened by other disease or illness, and persons engaged in strenuous work or exercise. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the federal agency that administers the Federal Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended in 1990, has established national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for several air pollution constituents known as criteria pollutants, including: ozone (O₃); carbon monoxide (CO); coarse particulate matter (PM₁₀; particles 10 microns or less) and fine particulate matter (PM₂.₅; particles 2.5 microns or less); sulfur dioxide (SO₂); and lead (Pb).
As permitted by the Clean Air Act, California has adopted the more stringent California ambient air quality standards (CAAQS) and expanded the number of regulated air constituents. Ground-level ozone is not emitted directly into the environment but is generated from complex chemical and photochemical reactions between precursor pollutants, primarily reactive organic gases (ROGs; also known as volatile organic compounds [VOC]), and oxides of nitrogen (NOX). PM10 and PM2.5 are generated from a variety of sources, including road dust, diesel exhaust, fuel combustion, tire and brake wear, construction operations and windblown dust. In addition, PM10 and PM2.5 can also be formed through chemical and photochemical reactions of precursor pollutants in the atmosphere.

CARB is required to designate areas of the state as attainment, nonattainment, or unclassified for the ambient air quality standards. An “attainment” designation for an area signifies that pollutant concentrations do not violate the standard for that pollutant in that area. A “nonattainment” designation indicates that a pollutant concentration violated the standard at least once. An “unclassified” designation indicates that insufficient data was available to determine the status. Sacramento County is designated as being in nonattainment for the state and federal ozone standards, the state PM10 standards, and the federal PM2.5 standards.

The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) is responsible for implementing emissions standards and other requirements of federal and state laws in Sacramento County. Attainment plans for meeting the federal air quality standards are incorporated into the State Implementation Plan (SIP), which is subsequently submitted to the USEPA.

The current air quality plan applicable to the project, the Sacramento Regional 2008 NAAQS 8-Hour Ozone Attainment and Reasonable Further Progress Plan (Regional Ozone Plan), was developed by the SMAQMD and adjacent air districts to describe how the air districts in and near the Sacramento metropolitan area will continue the progress toward attaining state and national ozone air quality standards.

With respect to criteria pollutants, HELIX looked at whether the proposed project would conflict with or obstruct implementation of the Regional Ozone Plan or the SIP, either during construction or operation of the proposed project. HELIX also analyzed whether the proposed project would result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the region is in non-attainment under applicable California Ambient Air Quality Standards. Highlights from that analysis are included in the following paragraphs. The full analysis is contained in Attachment 11. Furthermore, Condition No. 16, requires compliance with the Regional Ozone Plan.

Construction (Short-Term) Emissions
Construction of the project would involve the use of a crane for several hours to unload the chiller and crematory from the truck, and the use of a mini excavator or skid steer loader for one day and one truck load of concrete to install a small pad for the two propane...
tanks.

Typically, projects that are 35 acres or less in size will not exceed the SMAQMD’s construction NOx or PM thresholds of significance. Even so, all construction projects are required to implement the SMAQMD’s Basic Construction Emission Control Practices (also known as Best Management Practices [BMPs]). The BMPs satisfy the requirements of SMAQMD’s Rule 403, Fugitive Dust, which requires every reasonable precaution not to cause or allow the emissions of fugitive dust from being airborne beyond the property line from which the emission originates.

Reactive Organic Gas (ROG) emissions during construction are generally associated with the application of architectural coatings. The project does not propose any new structures, would not require substantial amounts of painting, and would not result in significant emissions of ROGs.

If approved, the proposed project will be required to implement SMAQMD’s BMPs and it will not result in significant emissions of ROGs. Therefore, construction of the project would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant and the proposed project’s impact on implementation of the Regional Ozone Plan would be less than significant with implementation of Condition No. 16, which requires implementation of the SMAQMD’s BMPs.

Operation (Long-Term) Emissions
The project would result in long-term operational emissions from two sources: (1) vehicles that drive to and from the project and (2) from operation of the crematory.

With respect to emissions from vehicles, because there are no crematories currently operating in Folsom, demand for cremation services is filled by transporting the deceased to facilities outside of the City. Therefore, operations of the project would not result in new vehicle trips (nor the associated emissions in the region). Instead, the project would replace existing regional vehicle trips with shorter trips (and reduced associated emissions).

Operation of a propane-fired crematory would be considered a new stationary source of emissions. The project is subject to SMAQMD’s Rule 201, General Permit Requirements, and Rule 202, New Source Review. Pursuant to these Rules, the project would be required to implement best available control technology (BACT) for the minimization of emissions.

BACT for crematories is incorporated into the product design in the form of controls which ensure maintenance of the correct temperatures and cycle times, and a secondary combustion chamber which ensures oxygenation and complete combustions of all fuels.

As shown in Table 4 of the IS/MND included in Attachment 11 and Table 1 of the Air Quality Addendum memo included in Appendix B of the IS/MND, the project’s operational
emissions of criteria pollutants and precursors would not exceed the SMAQMD daily or annual thresholds. Therefore, the project’s operational emissions would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant and impacts from operation of the crematory on implementation of the Regional Ozone Plan would be less than significant.

**Toxic Air Contaminants**

Toxic air contaminants (TACs) are a diverse group of air pollutants that may cause or contribute to an increase in deaths or in serious illness or that may pose a present or potential hazard to human health. TACs can cause long-term chronic health effects such as cancer, birth defects, neurological damage, asthma, bronchitis, or genetic damage, or short-term acute effects such as eye watering, respiratory irritation (a cough), runny nose, throat pain, and headaches. TACs are considered either carcinogenic or noncarcinogenic based on the nature of the health effects associated with exposure to the pollutant. For carcinogenic TACs, there is no level of exposure that is considered safe and impacts are evaluated in terms of overall relative risk expressed as excess cancer cases per one million exposed individuals. Noncarcinogenic TACs differ in that there is generally assumed to be a safe level of exposure below which no negative health impact is believed to occur. These levels are determined on a pollutant-by-pollutant basis.

Crematories are a potential source of TACs as a result of trace metals and organic compounds that accumulate in the body throughout a person’s life and are released during combustion of human remains, and as a result of trace organic compounds that are formed in the combustion process. These TACs include: metals and inorganics (i.e., arsenic, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, copper, hydrogen fluoride, lead, mercury, nickel, selenium, zinc); VOCs (i.e., benzene, toluene, xylenes, vinyl chloride); aldehydes (i.e., acetaldehyde, formaldehyde); polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs); polychlorinated dibenzodioxins (dioxins; PCDD); and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (furans; PCD). Prolonged exposure to significant concentrations of these TACS can result in a variety of adverse health effects including cancers, chronic conditions, and/or acute conditions, depending on the substance and level of exposure. Based on the results of the Health Risk Assessment (HRA) included in Attachment 11, hexavalent chromium and mercury are the primary drivers of the health risks from crematory emissions because the health risks from crematory emissions of these substances are one or more orders of magnitude greater than the health risks from other TACs in crematory emissions.

Health risks associated with cancer from development projects are estimated using the incremental excess cancer risk expressed as cancer cases per one million exposed individuals. The incremental excess cancer risk is an estimate of the chance a person exposed to specific sources of a TACs may have of developing cancer from that exposure beyond the individual’s risk of developing cancer from existing background levels of pollutants in the ambient air. For context, the average cancer risk from TACs in the ambient air for an individual living in an urban area of California is 830 in 1 million. Cancer risk estimates do not mean, and should not be interpreted to mean, that a person will develop cancer from estimated exposures to toxic air pollutants.
The maximum estimated community incremental excess cancer, chronic and acute health risks due to exposure to the project TAC emissions from long term operation of the proposed crematory are presented in Table 5 of the attached IS/MND. These estimates are conservative (health protective) and assume that the resident or worker is outdoors for the entire exposure period. This table shows that the maximum incremental increased cancer risks and maximum non-cancer chronic and acute hazard index due to exposure to TACs from long-term operation of the proposed crematory would not exceed the SMAQMD thresholds. Therefore, operation of the project would not result in the exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial TAC concentrations and the impact would be less than significant.

The Addendum to the IS/MND clarifies that regardless of whether the applicant performs two or four cremations daily, the Health Risk Assessment remains accurate, as it was based on the maximum hourly emissions rate and the average annual emissions generated by project operations, not the number of cremations performed daily. The hourly cremation rate would not change because there is only one cremation machine proposed as a part of this project. The annual emissions generated by the project also would not change with an increase from two to four cremations per day because the applicant has not requested modification to their request for up to 500 cremations per year. To ensure that the numbers in the HRA remain accurate, staff has added Condition No. 13 stating that no more than four cremations may be performed each and that no more than 500 cremations may be performed each year.

In addition, the proposed crematory is considered a combustion source requiring an authority to construct permit to operate (A/C, PTO) from SMAQMD before it can be installed and operated. Staff has provided Condition No. 16, which states that a building permit will not be issued until an A/C, PTO has been obtained from SMAQMD. SMAQMD has stated that the applicant will be required to provide analysis to ensure the crematory will meet all air district rules/regulations and significance thresholds during the air district’s A/C, PTO application and review process. In the event the air district’s refined health risk assessment analysis shows that cancer risk or hazard index numbers exceed the significance thresholds noted, further restrictions to the crematory would be required by SMAQMD before they would issue the A/C, PTO. As noted above, Condition No. 16 requires the proposed project to obtain and A/C, PTO from the air district before the City will issue a building permit, so neither construction nor operation of the proposed project can occur without the A/C, PTO.

Odors
The IS/MND prepared for the proposed project found that diesel equipment could generate diesel exhaust odors during construction activities. The generation of odors during the construction period would be temporary, intermittent, and dispersed within a short distance from the active work area. Once operational, potential odors from human remains prior to cremation would be minimized either by immediately processing remains
or by temporarily storing remains in the proposed refrigeration chiller. Operation of the crematory would not be a significant source odors or other emissions due to the BACT features of the crematory, including process temperature and cycle time controls, as well as secondary combustion chambers which ensure the complete combustion of all solids, liquids, and gaseous fuels. Therefore, the project would not result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors).

**Cultural, Archaeological, Paleontological and Historical/Tribal Resources**

Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery is Folsom’s only active historic cemetery. It represents a combination of several old Folsom cemeteries, including the Masonic, Odd Fellows, Jewish, Citizen’s, and Cook’s cemeteries.

The existing metal structure was built in the 1990s and is located in a previously disturbed maintenance area. The project area itself is surrounded on the west and south by dredge mining tailings and the parcel is situated along a perennial waterway. All mining operations in the immediate vicinity of the project site had ceased by 1962. Based on a Cultural Resources Investigation performed by PAR Environmental for the mausoleum project for Lakeside Memorial Lawn in 1995, these tailings were determined not eligible for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places by the Office of Historic Preservation. The report also states that the tailings do not meet California Environmental Quality Act guidelines as an important resource and do not qualify for inclusion in the California Register of Historic Places.

ECORP Consulting prepared a Cultural Resources Inventory Report of the proposed project that included a record search, Native American tribal consultation and a pedestrian survey. The results of the ECORP record search for cultural resources and Native American Heritage Commission Sacred Lands File Coordination search failed to reveal the presence of Native American cultural resources in the project area.

ECORP’s pedestrian survey revealed no precontact or historic resources. The project site itself is not in an area otherwise suspected to contain unknown archaeological resources. The site survey and surveys of written records, historical maps and photographs, and outreach to groups with knowledge of the area’s history all suggest that no known or previously unknown archaeological resources would be encountered or disturbed during construction. Ground disturbing activity would be limited to shallow ground clearing and site prep for the installation of a concrete pad to support two propane tanks. Still, the potential exists for inadvertent discovery of archaeological resources during project construction. The implementation of standard archaeological resource construction conditions (Condition 18-21) would ensure that potential impacts would be less than significant.

Though the project site is located on the property of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery, no human remains are known to exist in the immediate vicinity of the project site. No evidence of potential human remains outside of marked graves was found in the project area during the cultural resources site survey by ECORP’s archaeologist. Ground
disturbing activity would be limited to shallow ground clearing and site prep for the installation of a concrete pad to support two propane tanks. However, there is always the possibility that subsurface construction activities associated with the proposed project, specifically the preparation of the site for the small concrete pad, could potentially damage or destroy previously undiscovered human remains. However, if human remains were discovered, implementation of Condition No. 20 would reduce this potential impact to a less than significant level.

The ethnographic information reviewed for the project, including ethnographic maps, does not identify any villages, occupational areas, or resource procurement locations in or around the current project area. In addition, the Sacred Lands File failed to identify any sacred lands or tribal resources in or near the project area. The cultural resources survey did not reveal any Native American archaeological sites within or adjacent to the proposed project area. As stated in the attached IS/MND document, the City performed AB -52 consultation with three local Native American tribes that have previously submitted general request letters: Wilton Rancheria, the Ione Board of Miwok Indians and the United Auburn Indian Community. The purpose of consultation is to identify Tribal Cultural Resources (TCR) that may be significantly impacted by the proposed project and to allow the City to avoid or mitigate significant impacts prior to project approval and implementation. No specific TCRs were identified on the project site as a result of this consultation. In case of unanticipated discovery of tribal cultural resources, staff has incorporated Condition No. 21 (as described above). Implementation of this condition would ensure that there would not be a significant impact on tribal cultural resources.

Fire/Life Safety
The proposed project proposes to locate two 250-gallon propane tanks immediately adjacent to the existing metal structure in which the crematorium is proposed. Propane is considered a hazardous material in that it is extremely flammable and may cause burns, irritations, and/or asphyxiation if humans come into direct contact with significant quantities of it. Federal and state laws include provisions for the safe handling of hazardous substances. The federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) administers requirements to ensure worker safety. Construction activity must also be in compliance with California OSHA regulations. Further, significant damage to the tanks, failure of safety mechanisms, and/or the presence of an ignition source may make the tanks an explosion hazard. However, the tanks would be secured in place on a concrete pad, marked conspicuously, and placed in an area at low risk of impact from any vehicle or piece of equipment. They would not be located in an area of the cemetery frequented by the public. All installation, maintenance, and operations would be done by trained individuals in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations and state regulations. The tanks would be regularly inspected to ensure soundness and proper function. Delivery of propane and filling of the tanks would be done only by licensed professionals following all applicable regulations and best practices. Furthermore, the Folsom Fire Department has reviewed the proposed site plan and has provided Condition No. 26 which requires the propane tanks to be a minimum of 10 feet from the metal structure in which the cremations would occur.
Fire Station 35 is the nearest station to the project site and is located approximately 1.5 miles east of the project site. The project site is easily accessible to fire service personnel. Consistent with the City’s Multi-Hazard Emergency Management Plan, the City of Folsom maintains pre-designated emergency evacuation routes along major streets and thoroughfares. The proposed project would not modify any pre-designated emergency evacuation route or preclude their continued use as an emergency evacuation route. Emergency vehicle access would be maintained throughout the project site to meet the Fire Department standards for fire engine maneuvering, location of fire engine to fight a fire, rescue access to the units, and fire hose access to all sides of the building.

The project is not located in or near a State Responsibility Area or in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. Vegetation on the property is irrigated and includes maintained lawns and well-spaced trees with a generally open canopy and limbs pruned near ground level. The project site is located in an urbanized area in the City of Folsom and is provided urban levels of fire protection by the City. Landscaping on the property is well-irrigated, well-spaced, trimmed, pruned, and generally maintained. To the north of the site is a residential neighborhood, to the east is gravel/rock cover and Folsom Boulevard, and to the south and west is a greenbelt that runs parallel to Lake Natoma on a north/south axis. The natural spaces are small, with a relatively open and discontinuous canopy. The project is not likely to cause any ignition, given that the crematory will not emit sparks, and any ignition caused by other factors could be quickly controlled by the City of Folsom Fire Department and would not spread great distances given the land use and vegetation surrounding and occupying the site.

As an existing facility, Lakeside Memorial Lawn maintains adequate fire response infrastructure for both current operations and the proposed project. The City of Folsom Fire Department reviewed the project application and did not raise any concerns regarding the adequacy of water supply or site access. The Fire Department also provided Condition No. 24, which requires a fire alarm/detection system if sprinklers are not provided, Condition No. 25, which requires on-site fire hydrants and mains capable of supplying the water flow for fires and Condition No. 26, which requires that combustible materials, trash, weeds and brush are not stored or located within 10 feet of the propane tanks. Furthermore, Condition No. 27 states that a trained operator must be present at all times that the crematorium machine is in operation. Therefore, with these conditions, the proposed project would not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss due to wildland fires.

**Traffic, Access, Circulation and Parking**

The project site can be accessed from either northbound or southbound on Folsom Boulevard or from westbound Natoma Street approaching this intersection with Folsom Boulevard. The site would be accessed by proceeding a very short distance west on Forrest Street to reach the entry gate to the cemetery and turning left onto Mormon Street.

Diagonal parking spaces can be found along both sides of Mormon Street. At the terminus
of Mormon Street, members of the public may continue straight onto a main cemetery access road to find an additional parking lot. All existing parking spaces would be maintained. Access to the project site directly would continue to be provided by a smaller existing access road located at the southwestern terminus of Mormon Street. Both the smaller access road and the main access road can be reached at the terminus of Mormon Street, but the two roads do not form a continuous loop because of a fence line separating them. No new parking spaces or parking facilities would be constructed.

As the crematorium would not be located in or near a funeral home and would be separate from any funeral services or public gatherings provided by the project applicant, access would only need to accommodate a small number of people at the site. There are a total of 92 parking spaces in the cemetery with room for 23 additional parking spaces during large events. The applicant has seen an average of 12 to 15 visitors to the cemetery on an average day. The maximum number of visitors under the proposed project conditions would be during large funeral services at the site. However, the 921 parking spaces and overflow parking available on-site are designed to accommodate such services.

The City of Folsom identifies most major streets in the City as emergency evacuation routes. The proposed project would not modify any major street and/or preclude their continued use as an emergency evacuation route. The project does not propose any alterations to any access roads, rights-of-way or other routes, and would not increase traffic to a point that additional risk on existing routes would be incurred. Emergency vehicle access would be maintained throughout the project site to meet the Fire Department standards for fire engine maneuvering, location of fire engine to fight a fire, rescue access, and fire hose access to all sides of the building.

**Noise**

Development of the crematory facility will temporarily increase noise levels in the project vicinity during the construction period. Construction activities, including site work and construction, would be considered an intermittent noise impact throughout the construction period of the project. The City’s Noise Ordinance excludes construction activities from meeting the General Plan Noise Element standards, provided that all phases of construction are limited to the hours between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on weekdays, and between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays. To ensure compliance with the City’s Noise Control Ordinance and General Plan Noise Element, staff recommends that hours of construction operation be limited from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on weekdays and 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays with no construction permitted on Sundays or holidays. Condition No. 12 is included to reflect these requirements.

**Visual Impacts**

The project site is currently a small cemetery, with associated landscaping, outbuildings, and access roads. Lands to the south and west contain woodland habitat typical of riparian communities in the Sierra Nevada foothills. Soils at the project site are comprised of dredge tailings and other fill material. Tailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard prevent the site from being visible from that street. To the west is also the
Jedidiah Smith Memorial Trail that runs along the eastern shore of Lake Natoma. To the north is a small residential neighborhood with single family dwellings (The Preserve/Lake Natoma Shores). Folsom Boulevard runs in a north/south line just east of the property. East of Folsom Boulevard is a large, developed area containing single family homes, apartment complexes, a mobile home park, and some small businesses. The more regional setting is primarily characterized by residential development with a commercial shopping center to the east.

The project would be located in an existing metal structure on the grounds of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. The structure would be modified with an exhaust stack added to the roof to accommodate the crematorium, but its footprint would not be expanded. The height of the stack is determined during the SMAQMD permitting process in order to meet their air quality standards. Based on initial consultation with SMAQMD, the stack would most likely be located approximately 19.5 feet above grade and would project up to 10 feet above the existing roof of the structure. The crematory would be placed in the northwest corner of the structure. Two 250-gallon propane tanks would be installed on a proposed concrete pad along the northern side of the structure to provide power for the crematorium, as no gas lines currently exist. An existing wooden fence would shield these tanks from view from the publicly used areas of the cemetery.

Existing landscaping at the cemetery and around the metal structure consists of mature broad-leaved, coniferous, and palm trees. These trees also provide shade for much of the cemetery and many of the parking spaces. An irrigated lawn surrounds the existing cemetery plots and a smaller lawn surrounds the rear of the structure (i.e., the non-service entrance side). Native oak/gray pine woodland habitat exists surrounding the cemetery. No new landscaping installation or modification is proposed. Native habitat in the vicinity of the project would not be disturbed.

An existing brick and wrought iron fence marks the edge of the cemetery from the Forrest Street side, but does not extend the length of Mormon Street. A wooden fence currently separates the front side of the metal structure (facing the access road) from the back side and extends both north and south of the structure. The fencing south of the structure further extends to block the access road and restrict access between the lawn to the west of the structure and the access road to the east of the structure. No changes to fencing are proposed as part of this action. The access side of the structure that would be used for crematory operations is shielded from view from the rest of the cemetery by wooden fencing. A gravel berm shields views of the structure from the east, including from Folsom Boulevard.

Neither the project site nor the surrounding areas are scenic vistas due to the presence of existing nearby commercial and residential developments. Further, neither the project site, nor views to or from the project site, have been designated as important scenic resources by the City of Folsom or any other public agency. Additionally, the site of proposed modifications is already largely shielded from public view and would remain so. Images of the metal structure taken from the edge of the cemetery adjacent to the Lake
Natoma Shores/Preserve subdivision are provided in Attachment 10. All human remains are transported to or from the crematorium fully shielding the deceased from public view with fully shielded gurneys. The vehicles back up inside the structures' doors to unload the gurney, similar to what is done at the applicant’s Miller Funeral Home on the corner of Scott Street and Natoma Street. Given that external modifications would be very minor and that the building is already mostly shielded from view, staff does not anticipate a significant visual impact.

Land Use Compatibility/Site Considerations
The project site consists of a small cemetery, with associated landscaping, outbuildings, and access roads. Lands to the south and west contain woodland habitat. Tailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard prevent the site from being visible from that street. To the west is also the Jedidiah Smith Memorial Trail, which is part of the American River Parkway. To the north of the project site is a residential neighborhood with single-family dwellings (Lake Natoma Shores/The Preserve). Folsom Boulevard runs in a north/south line just east of the property. East of Folsom Boulevard is a large, developed area containing single-family homes, apartment complexes, a mobile home park, and some small businesses. The more regional setting is primarily characterized by residential development with a commercial shopping center to the east.

Staff researched data available from the Sacramento Air Quality Management District regarding the locations of existing crematoriums within the county, their proximity to residential uses, complaints received by SMAQMD for these facilities, and actions taken against these facilities by SMAQMD. Staff found that 16 crematoriums are currently operating within Sacramento County, of which five were located within cemeteries (East Lawn Memorial Park, Sacramento Memorial Lawn, St. Mary Cemetery and Funeral Center, and Sunset Lawn Chapel of the Chimes in Sacramento and Mount Vernon Memorial Park & Mortuary in Fair Oaks). Nine of the crematoriums were within 1,100 feet of residential uses, as shown in the table on the following page. Images of these facilities are provided in Attachment 12. Note that the closest residence to the proposed crematorium is 450 feet from the building.
TABLE 1: CREMATORIUMS IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY LOCATED WITHIN 1,100 FEET OF RESIDENTIAL LAND USES

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<th>Name of Facility</th>
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<td>East Lawn Memorial Park</td>
<td>4300 Folsom Blvd. Sacramento</td>
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<td>Sacramento Memorial Lawn</td>
<td>6100 Stockton Blvd. Sacramento</td>
<td>1,100 ft.</td>
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<td>St. Mary Cemetery and Funeral Center</td>
<td>6509 Fruitridge Rd. Sacramento</td>
<td>275 ft.</td>
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<td>Sunset Lawn Chapel of the Chimes</td>
<td>4701 Marysville Rd. Sacramento</td>
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<td>Mount Vernon Memorial Park &amp; Mortuary</td>
<td>8201 Greenback Ln. Fair Oaks</td>
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<td>Evergreen Memorial</td>
<td>3030 Fruitridge Rd. Sacramento</td>
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<td>North Sacramento Funeral Home</td>
<td>725 El Camino Ave. Sacramento</td>
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<td>Pet Loss Services of North America</td>
<td>4601 Pell Dr. Sacramento</td>
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<td>Sierra View Funeral Chapel &amp; Crematory</td>
<td>6201 Fair Oaks Blvd. Carmichael</td>
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All crematoriums in Sacramento County are subject to additional permitting and regular inspections by SMAQMD, who investigates all public complaints about the facilities and fines all facilities for any violations. Three of the facilities listed in the above table have been issued violations from SMAQMD, for a total of 17 violations. Of these violations, four were discharge related. The last discharge-related violation issued by SMAQMD at one of these facilities was in 2010. Five of the facilities listed above have been the subject of public complaints. SMAQMD has received a total of 26 public complaints regarding five of these facilities since 1992. Of these complaints, eight have been received since 2010, predominantly regarding odor and smoke. SMAQMD requires recordkeeping and reporting of all cremations and has the right to inspect cremation facilities at any time.

The applicant has also stated that they currently operate two crematoriums in the region, the Lakeside Colonial Chapel in Marysville and the Chapel of the Twin Cities in Yuba City, both directly adjacent to residential uses. Given that the proposed project is located 450 to 750 feet away from the nearest sensitive receptors (residences), this is consistent with the location of other crematoriums located in residential areas of Sacramento County as well as the regional crematoriums operated by the applicant.

Based on the analysis presented in the attached staff report and attached IS/MND, staff concluded that there would be a less than significant impact to surrounding land uses with regards to air quality, fire/life safety, traffic, noise and aesthetics. As conditioned, the
The crematorium would be subject to stringent air quality permitting and monitoring from SMAQMD. The crematorium is also subject to an annual unannounced inspection from the California Cemetery and Funeral Board. Furthermore, staff has provided Condition No. 10 which states that any intensification or expansion of the crematorium will require a subsequent Conditional Use Permit by the Historic District Commission and Condition No. 13 which states that no expansion in number of cremations per day or per year beyond what has been conditioned shall be permitted without prior approval being obtained from the Historic District Commission through a Conditional Use Permit. Any increase in air quality or noise impacts beyond what is described in this report is subject to either permit revocation or modification by the commission.

With these conditions in place, staff has concluded that the establishment, maintenance, and operation of the proposed use will be compatible with surrounding land uses and will not be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort, and general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood or be detrimental or injurious to property or improvements in the neighborhood, or to the general welfare of the city.

**Public Outreach, Noticing and Comments**

Staff routed the initial development application to relevant local and state agencies. Based on comments received, staff has coordinated with SMAQMD to appropriately condition the project and ensure that the applicant goes through the required SMAQMD permitting process. No other public agencies provided comments. The application was also routed to the Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission, the California Cemetery and Funeral Bureau and the Cremation Association of Northern California. Staff received no comments from these organizations.

A public notice was placed in the Folsom Telegraph on January 6, 2022, and notices were mailed to all property owners located within 300 feet of the project site and also to residents who filed written requests for notices, consistent with Government Code sections 65905, 65091, and 65094, as well as CEQA Guidelines sections 15072 and 15105. A public notice was also placed on the project site 30 days prior to the public hearing.

Staff received numerous public comments regarding the project in general and also the IS/MND prior to publication of this staff report. Most comments received were from residents of the Historic District (especially residents of the Lake Natoma Shores/Preserve subdivision) and the Chinese Historical Society of America in opposition to the project, with one letter from a resident expressing support for the project. Written comments received prior to publication of the staff report are included in Attachment 13. Furthermore, the applicant held a phone meeting for nearby residents to listen to their concerns about the proposed project. Issues brought up in these comment letters and during the applicant meeting include:
Air Quality Concerns

• Proximity to residential uses, places where children recreate and impacts to those with compromised lungs and other at-risk populations

• Air quality concerns related to particulate matter, CO2, TACs, NOx, and cremated bodies containing mercury from fillings, pacemakers, chemotherapy chemicals and radiation and SMAQMD/Sacramento County’s oversight of these pollutants

• Lack of analysis regarding cumulative air quality effects of the crematory with car fumes on Folsom Blvd.

• Whether the crematory would be allowed to operate on days with poor air quality

• Whether wind would blow smoke into the adjacent neighborhoods

• Consistency with General Plan air quality goals, especially given that the property is in an existing non-attainment area

• Accuracy of meteorological weather data used

• Lack of methodology and citations used to justify statements in odor analysis

• Lack of analysis regarding the Schultz Eddy Phenomenon which causes air to be trapped in the Preserve neighborhood

• Need for additional air quality modelling due to varying air pollution patterns

• Optimal operation of crematory facilities vs. reality

• How filters inside smokestack are cleaned

• Lack of clarity regarding which agencies regulate and inspect crematories for air quality effects and how those agencies regulate emissions on days they are not testing them

• Potential odors during cremation activities, especially on evenings when Code Enforcement staff cannot be present

• Lack of maintenance cleanup procedures with regards to runoff, residue and dust

• Conclusions of the air quality analysis being related to an average healthy human rather than sensitive receptors such as children and the elderly

• Whether a rain cover is proposed on the exhaust stack
Traffic, Circulation, Parking, Wildfire and Life Safety Concerns

- Additional traffic in a busy neighborhood due to additional trips for witnessed cremations, propane delivery, and morgue delivery, both in the neighborhood and in the larger Historic District
- Amount of people allowed to attend a witnessed cremation
- Emergency access to the structure in which the cremations are proposed and propane tanks in case of fire
- Increased air quality concerns when cremating bodies with excess weight
- Evacuation of residents in case of fire on narrow streets accessing many existing uses and frequent light rail crossing
- Parking concerns during on-site funeral and witnessed cremation services
- Lack of analysis regarding cumulative traffic, circulation, and wildfire effects
- Whether a trained operator would always be on-site in case of malfunction
- Chances of a propane explosion near historic cemeteries, State parks, and residences
- Whether there is room in the metal structure in which the crematorium is proposed for both maintenance equipment and crematory equipment
- Insufficient fencing and security measures at the site
- Absence of design measures to create defensible space
- Consistency with the Folsom Community Wildfire Protection Plan
- Whether the recently constructed storage shed was taken into account in the emergency access analysis
- Greater evidence that the crematory machine will not produce particles that could ignite a fire
- Documented feedback on the project from the Fire Department and California State Parks
Quality of Life Concerns

- Whether property values would go down as a result of having to disclose that there is a crematory nearby
- Psychological effects of knowing that cremations are occurring close to residences
- Concerns over how much cremation noise would be discernable from the nearest residences and to visitors of the cemetery
- Whether the smoke stack would be visible from nearby streets and residential yards (and lack of clarity on the height of the stack)
- Whether bodies to be cremated would be transferred to the crematory facility in public view
- Impacts to those using nearby trails and recreational areas
- Whether there would be noise impacts when the crematory machine is running

Cultural, Archaeological, Paleontological and Historical/Tribal Resources Concerns

- Potential presence of archeological and paleontological resources on-site
- Potential smoke impacts to nearby Chinese cemetery, Veteran’s Hall, Murer House, and State Recreation Area
- Consideration of the Chung Wah Cemetery being placed on the National Register and California Registry of Historic Places and Young Wo Chinese Cemetery being placed on the California Registry of Historic Points of Interest and both cemeteries being placed on the Sacramento County Cemetery Commission’s Registry of Pioneer Cemeteries
- Cremation not being consistent with Chinese funerary customs and practice and not an integral part of Gold Rush pioneer cemetery customs
- The presence of the crematorium changing the character and historic significance of a pioneer cemetery
- Historical accuracy of a crematory chimney
Land Use Concerns

- How a crematory could be allowed in an Open Space zone
- Compatibility with the Open Space element of the General Plan
- The use being more appropriate for an industrial or commercial zone
- The M-2 zone being the only zone that calls out specific uses close to the crematory being allowed, such as pottery kilns and ceramic works
- Lack of compatibility with an historic use in the historic district
- Impact of people who own cemetery plots and niches in Lakeside Memorial Lawn near the proposed crematory

General and Miscellaneous Concerns

- Public noticing and agency noticing irregularities
- Whether the City Council should be hearing the project rather than the HDC
- Whether a design review application is warranted
- Public outreach from the applicant
- City delays in publishing documentation based on when application was submitted
- Legal standing of the IS/MND
- The Commission’s standards of guidance to issue a CUP
- Number of cremations per day being proposed and allowed
- Issues with accuracy of applicant’s provided scope of work
- Conflicting information about whether the crematorium will be accessible to members of the public or just employees
- Whether sewer or bathroom facilities are available at the cremation site
• The previous proposal for a crematory on this site being rejected/withdrawn

• Historical easements to the Chung Wah cemetery

• Location of property lines

• Lack of discussion of recommendations in the 2003 Crematory CUP

• Time limits and conditions on the 2003 Crematory CUP

• Operation of the crematorium changing people’s perception of spiritual worship in the Chung Wah and Young Wo cemeteries due to ash and smoke

• Necessity of the project given other crematories within the general vicinity

• Applicant starting fencing work and flatwork prior to a decision being made on the CUP

• Future growth of the Corporation Yard land

• Whether there is a need for witnessed cremations

• Impacts related to potential increases in neighborhood resources

• If heat from the exhaust stack would impact special status bird and bat species nesting nearby

• The consideration of performing aquamation (liquid cremation) instead of standard cremations

Staff notes that the air quality, odor, traffic/circulation, parking, wildfire safety, cultural/archaeological, paleontological and historical/tribal resources, noise and land use concerns have been addressed in the analysis sections of this staff report and the attached IS/MND. Noticing has been completed pursuant to Government Code sections 65905, 65091, and 65094 as well as CEQA Guidelines sections 15072 and 15105, and the applicant has held a public outreach meeting as described above.

With regards to the previous proposal for a crematorium in 2003 that recommended denial, staff notes that the technology for crematorium machines has improved significantly since 2003 and based on the air quality assessment performed for the
project, staff concluded that the air quality impacts of the newly proposed crematory would not result in the same impacts as the crematorium proposed in 2003. Furthermore, the Sacramento County Cemetery Commission that expressed concern over the 2003 project did not comment on the current project as proposed.

Finally, staff has concluded that concerns regarding consistency with the General Plan Air Quality and Open Space Goals and Policies and the Historic District Design and Development Guidelines, concerns regarding Chinese and Gold Rush customs, and concerns over a drop in property values will be adequately alleviated by the filtering and burning technology of the proposed crematory machinery as well as the required SMAQMD permitting and monitoring, the shielding of the facility from public view, and the conditions imposed on the proposed project as a part of the Conditional Use Permit, as described in this staff report. Particularly significant to staff's analysis, as detailed above, are the following facts: (1) the crematorium would be subject to stringent air quality permitting and monitoring from SMAQMD; and (2) any impacts beyond those described in this report are not permitted and, if they occur, will subject the applicant to either permit revocation or modification by the Commission.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration, and an associated Addendum, have been prepared for this project (Attachment 11). A detailed summary of the environmental analysis for this project is contained in other sections of this report, with a particular focus on Air Quality. A summary of the environmental analyses on the issues of cultural, archeological, paleontological, and historical/tribal resources; fire/life safety; traffic, access, circulation, and parking; noise; and visual impacts are also included above. Note that an addendum to the initial air quality analysis was also prepared, and has been included both in the final Air Quality section and Appendix B of the IS/MND.

A detailed description of the potential impacts is provided within the Initial Study for this project, which is included as Attachment 11 to this report. As described above, the Mitigated Negative Declaration includes mitigation measures which, when implemented, will reduce the identified impacts to a less than significant level. These mitigation measures have been included as conditions of approval for this project. Staff points to Conditions 18 through 21 as particularly significant in this regard.

To date, several public comments were received during the Mitigated Negative Declaration public review period which started on January 7, 2022 and ended on February 7, 2022. Those public comments have been included in Attachment 13. HELIX Environmental will provide responses to those comments for the Public Hearing and on the City’s website at the following link: https://www.folsom.ca.us/government/community-development/planning-services/current-project-information
Pursuant to AB 52, before the release of the mitigated negative declaration for this project, the City began the process of consultation with any California Native American tribes traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area of the proposed project. The consultation was concluded and no changes to the project were required as a result of the consultation process.

RECOMMENDATION
Based on the information included in this report, staff recommends finding that the proposed crematory is appropriate as an accessory use to the existing cemetery. Staff also recommends approval of a Conditional Use Permit for the proposed project, based on the information included in this report and the environmental documents in Attachment 11.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ACTION
MOVE TO ADOPT THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM FOR THE LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN CREMATORIUM, PER ATTACHMENT 11;

AND

MOVE TO FIND THAT THE PROPOSED CREMATORIUM IS APPROPRIATE AS AN ACCESSORY USE TO THE EXISTING CEMETERY;

AND

MOVE TO APPROVE THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (PN 19-182) FOR OPERATION OF A CREMATORIUM WITHIN AN EXISTING 1,071-SQUARE FOOT METAL STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 1201 FORREST STREET, WITHIN THE LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN CEMETERY AS ILLUSTRATED IN ATTACHMENTS 5 and 6, WITH THE FOLLOWING FINDINGS (A-K) AND CONDITIONS (NOS. 1-30):

GENERAL FINDINGS
A. NOTICE OF HEARING HAS BEEN GIVEN AT THE TIME AND IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND CITY CODE.

B. THE PROJECT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE GENERAL PLAN AND THE ZONING CODE OF THE CITY.

CEQA FINDINGS
C. A MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION HAS BEEN PREPARED FOR THE PROJECT IN ACCORDANCE WITH CEQA.

D. PURSUANT TO AB 52, BEFORE RELEASE OF THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THIS PROJECT, THE CITY CONTACTED ALL CALIFORNIA NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES ON THE CITY’S AB 52 CONTACT LIST IN ASSOCIATION WITH THIS PROJECT.

E. THE CITY RECEIVED ONE REQUEST FOR CONSULTATION FROM CALIFORNIA NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBES AND CONSULTATION WAS SUBSEQUENTLY CONCLUDED. NO CHANGES TO THE PROJECT WERE REQUIRED AS A RESULT OF THE CONSULTATION.

F. THE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION HAS CONSIDERED THE INITIAL STUDY, THE PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND ALL COMMENTS RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC REVIEW PROCESS BEFORE MAKING A DECISION REGARDING THE PROJECT.

G. THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION REFLECTS THE INDEPENDENT JUDGMENT AND ANALYSIS OF THE CITY OF FOLSOM.

H. THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION HAS DETERMINED THAT THE PROPOSED PROJECT WOULD NOT HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT WITH THE REQUIRED MITIGATION MEASURES AND THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL ON THE PROJECT.

I. ON THE BASIS OF THE WHOLE RECORD, THERE IS NO SUBSTANTIAL EVIDENCE THAT THE PROJECT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE ENVIRONMENT WITH THE REQUIRED MITIGATION MEASURES AND THE CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL ON THE PROJECT.

LAND USE COMPATIBILITY FINDING

J. AS CONDITIONED, THE PROPOSED CREMATORY IS APPROPRIATE AS AN ACCESSORY USE TO THE EXISTING CEMETERY.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FINDING

K. AS CONDITIONED, THE ESTABLISHMENT, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF THE USE APPLIED FOR WILL NOT, UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF THIS PARTICULAR CASE, BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, PEACE, MORALS, COMFORT, AND GENERAL WELFARE OF PERSONS RESIDING OR WORKING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, OR BE DETRIMENTAL OR INJURIOUS TO PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE
NEIGHBORHOOD OR TO THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE CITY, AS THE PROPOSED PROJECT WILL NOT HAVE NEGATIVE IMPACTS TO NEARBY COMMERCIAL OR RESIDENTIAL USES THAT HAVE NOT BEEN MITIGATED.
BACKGROUND
The Planning Commission approved a Use Permit and Variance for Mausoleums at Lakeside Memorial Lawn in 1991 (PC91-042). An amendment to the approval was granted in 1995 (PC95-033). That approval allowed for the construction of twelve mausoleums. To date, two mausoleums have been built. In 2002, Lorin Claney applied for a Conditional Use Permit for a crematorium at the Lakeside Memorial Lawn (PN 02-258). Staff routed the project for public review and prepared a staff report recommending denial of the project in 2003, but the applicant withdrew the application before Historic District Commission review. An existing maintenance building (where the crematorium is proposed), approximately 1,071 square feet in area, is located along the south border of the cemetery. The design review for a second 1,600-square-foot maintenance shed was approved by the Historic District Commission in 2020 (PN 20-160) and was subsequently constructed. The site plan associated with this approval showing both structures is provided in Attachment 7.

The applicant for the crematorium proposed in this staff report initially proposed that it be located in the Miller Funeral Home located at 507 Scott Street. Staff expressed initial concern with the crematorium being located directly adjacent to residences. The applicant also coordinated with SMAQMD to determine what measures would need to be taken to locate the crematory adjacent to residences and ultimately decided not to move forward with that location. The applicant then proposed to modify the application for cremations at the Miller Funeral Home to instead perform alkaline hydrolysis (liquid cremations) that would not employ any burning or produce emissions but instead would produce a liquid effluent that would be flushed down sewage pipes. While this method of cremation was approved in California in 2017, City Environmental and Water Resources staff, in coordination with the Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District, did not have enough local examples of the impacts of these effluents to support this proposal. The applicant subsequently decided to move forward with a standard crematorium at the Lakeside Memorial Lawn. The proposed location in the existing metal structure is further away from sensitive receptors than the previous location at the Miller Funeral Home.

The front of the project site is mostly level with a slight to moderate downward slope towards the rear of the site. Lakeside Cemetery has a variety of mature deciduous and evergreen trees. The front of the cemetery, along Forrest Street, is bounded by a brick wall capped with wrought iron fencing. Photographs of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn are included here as Attachment 10. Both the Lakeside Cemetery (including the Odd Fellows and Mason's Cemeteries) and the adjacent Chung Wah Cemetery appear on the City of Folsom’s Cultural Resources Inventory. The subject property is located in the Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District, with an underlying zoning of OSC (Open Space and Conservation District).
GENERAL PLAN DESIGNATION  
OS, Open Space

ZONING  
OS/P (Open Space/Public Primary Area), underlying zoning of OSC (Open Space and Conservation)

ADJACENT LAND USES/ZONING  
North: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery (OS/P) with single-family residential subdivision (Lake Natoma Shores/The Preserve) beyond (PRE)
South: Vacant land with mine tailings (OSC)
East: Vacant land with mine tailings (OSC) with Folsom Boulevard and Folsom Village Mobile Homes beyond (NRB)
West: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery (OS/P) with Folsom Lake State Recreation Area (OSC) beyond

SITE CHARACTERISTICS  
The 12.02-acre project site contains mausoleums, gravesites, landscaping, a utility building, mine tailings and a variety of mature deciduous and evergreen trees. The project site is generally flat, ranging from about 175 to 185 feet above mean sea level. There are no wetlands, streams, or jurisdictional features located on the project site.

APPLICABLE CODES  
FMC Chapter 15.52; HD, Historic District
FMC Section 17.52.550, Open Space/Public Primary Area Special Use and Design Standards
FMC Section 17.52.360, Conditional Use Permit Review
FMC Chapter 17.60, Use Permits
ATTACHMENT 3
Proposed Conditions of Approval
## CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL FOR
LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN CREMATORIUM CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
(PN 19-182)

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<td>1.</td>
<td>Issuance of a Building Permit is required. The applicant shall submit final site and building plans to the Community Development Department that substantially conform to the overall site plan, detailed site plan and floor plans dated February 19, 2020, included in Attachment 5 and the Outer Dimensions dated August 27, 2020, contained in Attachment 6. Implementation of this project shall be consistent with the above referenced items as modified by these conditions of approval.</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Compliance with all local, state and federal regulations pertaining to building construction and demolition is required.</td>
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<td>3.</td>
<td>This approval is for operation of a crematorium within an existing 1,071-square foot metal structure located at 1201 Forrest Street, within the Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery. The applicant shall submit building plans that substantially comply with this approval and the site plan and floor plan dated February 19, 2020, included in Attachment 5 and the Outer Dimensions dated August 27, 2020, contained in Attachment 6.</td>
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<td>4.</td>
<td>If the Community Development Director finds evidence that conditions of approval for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Conditional Use Permit have not been fulfilled or complied with, that the use has resulted in a substantial adverse effect on the health, and/or general welfare of users of adjacent or proximate property, or has a substantial adverse impact on public facilities or services, the Director will refer the use permit to the Historic District Commission for review. If, upon such review, the Historic District Commission finds that any of the above-stated results have occurred, the Commission may modify or revoke the Conditional Use Permit.</td>
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5. This project approval shall remain in effect for one year until February 16, 2023. Failure to submit a complete application for the relevant building permits within this time period, without the subsequent extension of this approval, or failure to vest the Conditional Use Permit within the identified time frame prior to the expiration date and the applicant has not demonstrated substantial progress towards the development of the project, shall render this approval null and void. The owner/applicant may file an application with the Community Development Department for a permit extension not less than 30 days prior to the expiration date of the permit, along with appropriate fees and necessary submittal materials pursuant to Chapter 17.60 of the Folsom Municipal Code.

6. The owner/applicant shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City and its agents, officers and employees from any claim, action or proceeding against the City or its agents, officers or employees to attack, set aside, void, or annul any approval by the City or any of its agencies, departments, commissions, agents, officers, employees, or legislative body concerning the project. The City will promptly notify the owner/applicant of any such claim, action or proceeding, and will cooperate fully in the defense. The City may, within its unlimited discretion, participate in the defense of any such claim, action or proceeding if both of the following occur:

- The City bears its own attorney’s fees and costs; and
- The City defends the claim, action or proceeding in good faith

The owner/applicant shall not be required to pay or perform any settlement of such claim, action or proceeding unless the settlement is approved by the owner/applicant.

DEVELOPMENT COSTS AND FEE REQUIREMENTS

7. The owner/applicant shall pay all applicable taxes, fees and charges at the rate and amount in effect at the time such taxes, fees and charges become due and payable.
8. The City, at its sole discretion, may utilize the services of outside legal counsel to assist in the implementation of this project, including, but not limited to, drafting, reviewing and/or revising agreements and/or other documentation for the project. If the City utilizes the services of such outside legal counsel, the applicant shall reimburse the City for all outside legal fees and costs incurred by the City for such services. The applicant may be required, at the sole discretion of the City Attorney, to submit a deposit to the City for these services prior to initiation of the services. The applicant shall be responsible for reimbursement to the City for the services regardless of whether a deposit is required.

9. This project shall be subject to all Citywide development impact fees, unless exempt by previous agreement. This project shall be subject to all Citywide development impact fees in effect at such time that a building permit is issued. These fees may include, but are not limited to, fees for fire protection, park facilities, park equipment, Quimby, Humbug-Willow Creek Parkway, Light Rail, TSM, capital facilities and traffic impacts. The 90-day protest period for all fees, dedications, reservations or other exactions imposed on this project has begun. The fees shall be calculated at the fee rate in effect at the time of building permit issuance.

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<td>10. Any intensification or expansion of the use approved and conditioned herein will require a subsequent Conditional Use Permit Modification by the Historic District Commission. No approvals are granted in this Conditional Use Permit except as provided.</td>
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<td>11. All conditions of the original Conditional Use Permit (PC91-042 as modified by PC 95-033) are incorporated by reference.</td>
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<td>12. Compliance with the City of Folsom’s Noise Control Ordinance (Folsom Municipal Code Chapter 8.42) and General Plan Noise Element shall be required.</td>
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<td>13. No more than four cremations shall occur per day and no more than 500 cremations shall be performed each year. No expansion in number of cremations per day or per year beyond what is stated above shall be permitted without prior approval being obtained from the Historic District Commission through a Conditional Use Permit Modification.</td>
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<td>14. The building in which the crematorium is located shall remained locked at all times when a cremation is not occurring.</td>
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<td>15. This Conditional Use Permit shall be deemed revoked without further action by the Historic District Commission if the operation of the facility in the manner described in the Conditional Use Permit ceases for any consecutive period of six (6) months.</td>
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17. The following SMAQMD Basic Construction Emission Control Practices shall be implemented throughout construction activities:

- All exposed surfaces shall be watered two times daily. Exposed surfaces include, but are not limited to soil piles, graded areas, unpaved parking areas, staging areas, and access roads.
- Cover or maintain at least two feet of free board space on haul trucks transporting soil, sand, or other loose material on the site. Any haul trucks that would be traveling along freeways or major roadways shall be covered.
- Use wet power vacuum street sweepers to remove any visible trackout mud or dirt onto adjacent public roads at least once a day. Use of dry power sweeping is prohibited.
- Limit vehicle speeds on unpaved roads to 15 miles per hour.
- All roadways, driveways, sidewalks, parking lots shall be paved as soon as possible. In addition, building pads shall be laid as soon as possible after grading unless seeding or soil binders are used.
- Minimize idling time either by shutting equipment off when not in use or reducing the time of idling to 5 minutes (as required by the state airborne toxics control measure [Title 13, Section 2485 of the California Code of Regulations]). Provide clear signage that posts this requirement for workers at the entrances to the site.
- Maintain all construction equipment in proper working condition according to manufacturer’s specifications. The equipment shall be checked by a certified mechanic and determine to be running in proper condition before it is operated.
### CULTURAL, ARCHAEOLOGICAL, PALEONTOLOGICAL AND HISTORICAL/TRIBAL RESOURCES REQUIREMENTS

| 18. | Prior to the initiation of ground disturbing activity, a qualified professional archaeologist shall be retained to develop and deliver a contractor awareness training program to construction supervisors. The purpose of the training is to ensure that contractors are aware of the need to limit their activity, including equipment storage, staging, parking, and ground disturbance to only those locations identified as work areas on the official site plans.  
Prior to the initiation of ground disturbing activity, a qualified professional archaeologist shall be retained to monitor the installation of temporary high-visibility exclusionary fencing along the toe of existing mine tailings features adjacent to the shed. The fencing shall remain in place until all project activities are completed. City inspectors shall include a verification of the fencing during all required inspections. In the event that exclusionary fencing has failed, the construction supervisor must re-install or repair the fence within 24 hours. |
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If subsurface deposits believed to be cultural in origin are discovered during construction, all work must halt within a 50-foot radius of the discovery. A qualified professional archaeologist, meeting the Secretary of the Interior's Professional Qualification Standards for pre-contact and historic archaeologist, shall be retained to evaluate the significance of the find, and shall have the authority to modify the no-work radius as appropriate, using professional judgment. The following notifications shall apply, depending on the nature of the find:

- If the professional archaeologist determines that the find does not represent a cultural resource, work may resume immediately, and no agency notifications are required.

- If the professional archaeologist determines that the find does represent a cultural resource from any time period or cultural affiliation, he or she shall immediately notify the City to consult on a finding of eligibility and implement appropriate treatment measures, if the find is determined to be a Historical Resource under CEQA, as defined in Section 15064.5(a) of the CEQA Guidelines or a historic property under Section 106 NHPA, if applicable. Work may not resume within the no-work radius until the City, through consultation as appropriate, determines that the site either: 1) is not an Historical Resource under CEQA, as defined in Section 15064.5(a) of the CEQA Guidelines; or 2) that the treatment measures have been completed to its satisfaction.
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| 20. | If subsurface deposits believed to be cultural or human in origin are discovered during construction, all work must halt within a 50-foot radius of the discovery. A qualified professional archaeologist, meeting the Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualification Standards for pre-contact and historic archaeologist, shall be retained to evaluate the significance of the find, and shall have the authority to modify the no-work radius as appropriate, using professional judgment. The following notifications shall apply, depending on the nature of the find:
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|   | • If the find includes human remains, or remains that are potentially human, he or she shall ensure reasonable protection measures are taken to protect the discovery from disturbance (AB 2641). The archaeologist shall notify the Sacramento County Coroner (per §7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code). The provisions of §7050.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, §5097.98 of the California PRC, and Assembly Bill 2641 will be implemented. If the Coroner determines the remains are Native American and not the result of a crime scene, the Coroner will notify the NAHC, which then will designate a Native American Most Likely Descendant (MLD) for the project (§5097.98 of the PRC). The designated MLD will have 48 hours from the time access to the property is granted to make recommendations concerning treatment of the remains. If the landowner does not agree with the recommendations of the MLD, the NAHC can mediate (§5097.94 of the PRC). If no agreement is reached, the landowner must rebury the remains where they will not be further disturbed (§5097.98 of the PRC). This will also include either recording the site with the NAHC or the appropriate Information Center; using an open space or conservation zoning designation or easement; or recording a reinternment document with the county in which the property is located (AB 2641). If the Coroner determines that the remains are human but are not Native American, then the Coroner will direct subsequent steps to address the discovery. Work may not resume within the no-work radius until the City, through consultation as appropriate, determines that the treatment measures have been completed to its satisfaction. | G, I, B | CD (P)(E)(B) |
21. | ✓ | If potentially significant Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs) are discovered during ground disturbing construction activities, all work shall cease within 50 feet of the find. A Native American Representative from traditionally and culturally affiliated Native American Tribes that requested consultation on the project shall be immediately contacted and invited to assess the significance of the find and make recommendations for further evaluation and treatment, as necessary. If deemed necessary by the City, a qualified cultural resources specialist meeting the Secretary of Interior’s Standards and Qualifications for Archaeology, may also assess the significance of the find in joint consultation with Native American Representatives to ensure that Tribal values are considered. Work at the discovery location cannot resume until the City, in consultation as appropriate and in good faith, determines that the discovery is either not a TCR, or has been subjected to culturally appropriate treatment, if avoidance and preservation cannot be accommodated. | G, I, B | CD (P)(E)(B) |

22. | | If any archaeological, cultural, or historical resources or artifacts, or other features are discovered during the course of construction anywhere on the project site, work shall be suspended in that location until a qualified professional archaeologist assesses the significance of the discovery and provides consultation with the Folsom Historical Society, City staff, and the Heritage Preservation League. Appropriate mitigation as recommended by the archaeologist and the Historical Society representative shall be implemented. If agreement cannot be met, the Historic District Commission shall determine the appropriate implementation method. | G, I, B | CD (P)(E)(B) |

### FIRE AND LIFE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

23. | | Current occupancy loads shall be posted at all times, and the owner/applicant shall have an effective system to keep count of the number of occupants present at any given time. This information shall be provided to public safety personnel upon request. | OG | CD (F) |

24. | | The building in which the crematorium is located shall be provided with an approved monitored fire alarm/detection system when the building is not protected by an automatic sprinkler system in accordance with the Folsom Municipal Code Section 907.9.1. | O | CD (F) |
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<th>On-site fire hydrants and mains capable of supplying the fire flow shall be provided in accordance with the 2019 California Fire Code (CFC) Section 507 Fire Protection Water Supplies: An approved water supply capable of supplying the required fire flow for fire protection shall be provided to all premises upon which facilities, buildings or portions of buildings are hereby constructed or moved into or within the jurisdiction, including the structure where cremations are proposed as a part of this project. Where a portion of a facility or building constructed is more than 400 feet from a hydrant on a fire apparatus access road, as measured by an approved route around the exterior of the facility or building, on-site fire hydrants and mains capable of supplying the fire flow shall be provided where required by the fire code official. CFC 507</th>
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| 26. | Installation of the propane tanks shall comply with the following:  
   a. There shall be no more than two propane tanks with capacities of no more than 250 gallons each.  
   c. The container installation shall conform to Sec. 6.6.3, NFPA 58, which requires a minimum 10-foot separation distance between the 250-gallon propane tanks and the building in which the crematorium is located.  
   d. Piping shall be installed per Section 6.9, NFPA 58, and tested per Section 6.14.  
   e. Combustible materials, trash, weeds and brush shall not be stored or located within 10 feet of the propane tanks. CFC 6107.3 & NFPA 58: 6.4.4.3  
   f. If the point of transfers for the propane tanks are not located at the tanks, they shall be located in accordance with NFPA 58: Table 6.5.2.1.  
   g. Support of the propane tanks shall comply with NFPA 58: 6.3.3(A) through 6.3.3(D).  
   h. Steel supports shall be protected against fire exposure with materials having a fire resistance rating of at least 2 hours if the height limits specified in NFPA 58: Table 6.3.3(A) are exceeded. | O | CD (F) |
| 27. | A trained operator shall remain on-site at all times that the crematorium machine is in operation. | O | CD (P) |
### Conditional Use Permit Requirements

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<td>The owner/applicant shall obtain and continually maintain in good standing all required State and Federal permits and provide evidence that said permits have been obtained, or that the permit is not required, subject to staff review and approval. Compliance with all required State and Federal permits and the maintenance of such permits in good standing are requirements for validity of this Conditional Use Permit and the failure to comply with such permits and/or to maintain such permits in good standing shall trigger the process described in Condition of Approval No. 4.</td>
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<td>The owner/applicant shall obtain permission (permit, letter, agreement, etc.) from all applicable public utility companies (SMUD, PG&amp;E, WAPA, etc.) in a form acceptable to the Community Development Department for construction-related activities proposed within the existing public utility easements.</td>
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<td>The proposed project shall comply with all State and local rules, regulations, Governor's Declarations, and restrictions including but not limited to requirements relative to water usage and conservation established by the State Water Resources Control Board, and water usage and conservation requirements established within the Folsom Municipal Code, (Chapter 13.26 Water Conservation), as amended from time to time.</td>
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ATTACHMENT 4
Vicinity Map
ATTACHMENT 5
Overall Site Plan, Detailed Site Plan and Floor Plan, Dated 2-19-20
1201 FORREST ST IN FOLSOM, CA 95630

**SCOPE OF WORK**

**DESCRIPTION**

- LINEN
- TYPICAL LAUNDRY HEADER
- POLE
- TEMPERED GLASS
- TOP OF SLAB DETAIL
- SINGLE HUNG HT UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED
- FLOOR VERIFY IN FIELD
- TOP OF SUBFLOOR
- HEEL HEIGHT
- FRENCH DOOR
- FIXED WINDOW
- MINIMUM SLIDER WINDOW
- 1 SHELVES
- SHELF
- NOT IN CONTRACT
- LUMBER
- TONGUE AND GROOVE
- VERTICAL
- 1 WOOD
- HEIGHT
- TOP OF BEAM
- OPTIONAL
- BLW ABOVE FINISHED FLOOR
- ROOF BELOW
- LAVATORY
- DOWNSPOUT BELOW

**PROJECT DIRECTORY**

**DESIGNER**

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LEV DESIGNS
(916)-312-2131
vadim@levdesigns.com

**OWNER**

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1201 FORREST ST, STE 106 FAIR OAKS, CA 95630

**SPECIAL INSPECTIONS**

- VICTORY GROUP
- CONSTRUCTION TYPE: VB
- PERM: T/O FLR UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED
- HORIZONTAL JOISTS AND VERTICAL TONGUE AND GROOVE LUMBER
- CORNER BEAMS
- WOOD SILL
- LAVATORY
- DOWNSPOUT
- ROOF BEAMS
- MINIMUM
- PKG
- MINIMUM
- TOP OF BEAM
- HORIZONTAL JOISTS AND VERTICAL TONGUE AND GROOVE LUMBER
- CORNER BEAMS
- WOOD SILL
- LAVATORY
- DOWNSPOUT
- ROOF BEAMS

**BUILDING INFORMATION**

**ABBREVIATIONS**

- APN
- SHEET
- NUMBER
- SHEET
- TITLE
- PROJECT NO:
- DRAWN BY:
- ISSUE:
- CAD DWG FILE:
- COVER PAGE
- COPYRIGHT  LEV DESIGNS

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION & SCOPE OF WORK**

**DESCRIPTION**

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- SHEET: A1.0
- ISSUE: 07002600010000
- CAD DWG FILE:
- OWNER: VADIM ZANKO
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**SQUARE FOOTAGE BREAKDOWN**

**DEFERRED SUBMITTALS:**

**SEPARATE PERMIT:**

**VICINITY MAP**

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**PARCEL LOCATION**

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DETAILED SITE PLAN

1" = 20'

LEGEND:

- PROPERTY LINE
- EXISTING AREA
- AREA OF WORK
- EXISTING WALKWAY/DRIVEWAY
- STOOP/LANDING
- EXISTING TREE
- PATCH
- (E) STRUCTURE
- (E) PARKING
- (E) SHED
- (N) 2 X 500 GALLON PROPANE TANKS

MORMON ST

EXISTING

N 2 X 500 GALLON PROPANE TANKS

10.15' 48.10'

314.34'

481.92'

43.33'

166.00'

19.02.2020

ISSUED FOR REVIEW

SHEET TITLE:
DETAILED SITE PLAN

PROJECT NO:
CAD DWG FILE:
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EXISTING FLOOR PLAN

1/4" = 1'-0"

**FLOOR PLAN NOTES:**
1. Dimensions are given in feet and inches (e.g., 3'-0"x4'-0")
2. Dimensions are not scaled.
3. All dimensions are to the face of the stud.
4. Wall insulation to be a minimum of R-13 batting and attic insulation to be R-38 blown in, batt or rigid.
5. On-site verification of all dimensions and conditions shall be the responsibility of the contractor and the subcontractors. Noted dimensions take precedence over scale.
6. Each contractor or subcontractor shall report to the architect/designer all conditions which prevent the proper execution of their work.
7. Designer to be notified immediately by contractor or subcontractor should any discrepancy or other question arise pertaining to the working drawings and/or specifications. The contractor shall be held responsible for the results of any errors, discrepancies, or omissions which the contractor failed to notify the architect/designer of before construction and/or fabrication of the work.
8. Subcontractor shall insure that all work is done in a professional workmanlike manner by skilled mechanics and shall replace any materials or items damaged by subcontractor's performance. Subcontractors and suppliers are hereby notified that they are to confer and cooperate fully with each other during the course of construction to determine the exact extent and overlap of each other's work and to successfully complete the execution of the work. All subcontractor workmanship will be of quality to pass inspections by local authorities, lending institutions, architect/designer, or builder. Any one or all of the above mentioned inspectors may inspect workmanship at any time, and any corrections needed to enhance the quality of building will be done immediately. Each subcontractor, unless specifically exempted by the terms of his subcontract agreement, shall be responsible for cleaning up and removing from the job site all trash and debris not left by other subcontractors. Builder will determine how soon after subcontractor completes each phase of his work that trash and debris will be removed from the site.

**PLAN AREA SQUARE FOOTAGE BREAKDOWN:**
- Existing Shed Area: 1,071 SQ. FT.
- Remodeled Shed Area: 241 SQ. FT.

**LEGEND:**
- (E) EXISTING
- (N) NEW
- (E) 2"X4" 16" O.C.
- (N) 2"X6" 16" O.C.
- (N) STONE VENEER.

**WALL LEGEND:**
- (W) 2"X4" 16" O.C.
- (W) 2"X6" 16" O.C.
- (W) STONE VENEER.

**NOTE:**
- Windows and doors noted in feet (e.g., 3040=3'-0"x4'-0").
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ATTACHMENT 7
Updated Site Plan with Current Layout of Maintenance Area
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Applicant’s Rendering of Proposed Crematorium Stack
ATTACHMENT 9
Applicant’s Narrative
We are proposing to install a Hartwick Apex 250 Human Crematory at our existing shed in our cemetery Lakeside Memorial Lawn 1201 Forrest St Folsom CA 95630.

Introduction

Lakeside Memorial Lawn has existed since 1850. It has been a large part of the history of the city of Folsom and remains to be a part of the future of the city of Folsom. It is privately held and operated by family, who currently reside in Folsom and have a long heritage in Folsom. Lakeside Memorial Lawn alongside Miller Funeral Home have over 150 years in service to the community.

The Claney and Semenyuk family has a combined experience of 100 years in the funeral industry. Residents of Folsom and active partners in the community, local ordinances and the Folsom Police Department in Every 15 Minutes Program. We also own Caring Service Group, which has 8 funeral homes from Clear Lake to Arroyo Grande. With four crematories in four separate cities. Coordinating with their respected cities and local air ordinances, Caring Service Group has been successful in operating and installing these crematories. They have been in operation for the last 10 years and have not received one complaint against their licensing as they continue to operate at full capacity. All four crematories are inside the funeral home buildings, which is an impressive feat on its own. These crematories have facilitated thousands of cremations and will continue to do so. This is to demonstrate the knowledge, professionalism and ethical practices we uphold when we install and operate crematories.

Point at Issue

There are several large cultural communities residing and moving into Folsom. Regretfully, we do not have the ability nor the capability to serve the Sikh, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation-based cultures as they require an on-site crematory so that they may be able to exercise their funeral rights and customs. Currently, there is no crematory in the city of Folsom, so they must find these services outside their city.
The increase in homes being built in the city of Folsom, including Folsom Ranch, we need to have an on-site crematory in order to facilitate it’s increase in cremation service. Folsom tax paying residents are unable to choose cremation disposition to be performed locally.

California currently has a cremation rate of 66.7 percent and will increase to 80 percent by 2030. Since 2019 the city of Folsom has an estimated 450 deaths a year and rising as the population increases. That is an estimated 300 cremations needed to be performed every year.

Our Proposition

The crematory placement at Lakeside Memorial Lawn is a strategic placement. It is removed from any residences, parks, or schools. It is not in eyesight of any homes, business’s or restaurants. It will be inside the existing shed of Lakeside Memorial Lawn, surrounded by the rock piles of Folsom. As the only operational cemetery in Folsom, it is governed by the California Funeral and Cemetery Bureau and crematories fall under its’ jurisdiction in licensing and on-site inspections.

As the cemetery does not have a gas or sewer line, we will be installing two propane tanks to facilitate the energy needed for the machine. It is a simple and cost-efficient option.

Cremation Process

A small explanation of cremation and its process.

Once paperwork - death certificate and local disposition permit is filed, with the family’s permission and consent, we can then proceed with cremation.

Through a very strict identification process, we take the remains of John Doe and place them in a cremation container. It is identified again, weighed and recorded into the crematory log.

The machine or Cremator is started and heated up to a degree that the local air quality board decrees necessary for the area, prior to remains being placed into the main chamber. Usually ranges from 1100-1600 degrees Fahrenheit. A Cremator has two burners, a main burner which is directly over the middle of the main chamber and a back burner, which is in the back in the second chamber.

The function of the second chamber is to initially heat up the machine and to incinerate any particles that escape the main chamber during the cremation process. That way there is no smoke or residue that leaves the chamber.

The main burner is there to facilitate the cremation process. It continues to heat up the main chamber and maintains a consistent temperature that allows the water in the subject to evaporate.

Once the Cremator reaches the set temperature, the cremation container is then rolled inside the main chamber. When the door opens, the main burner shuts off for safety reasons. That prevents any harm to the crematory operator and facility. The door is then shut and after a few minutes the main burner starts again and thus begins the cremation process.
This process is self-operating and does not require anything else apart from time. The usual time cremation takes is an average of 2 hours for the combustion process to be complete. It is a self-contained and safe process from start to finish.

The side door is opened, and the remains are collected and placed to cool down. Once cool, they are processed through a processor and placed into a plastic bag that is identified and sealed. The bag is placed into an urn and sealed. The urn is identified with name, date of cremation and the crematories license number. All this information is logged into the crematory book that is overseen by the CA State Funeral and Cemetery Bureau.

**Usual Safety Concerns**

In the process of any errors or malfunction, there are safety features installed. In the event of an operational failure, the gas is immediately and automatically shut off. There is a manual switch as well. There has never been a crematory blowing up in the history of cremation.

We buy our machines from a very reputable, if not the best in the cremation industry manufacturer called Hartwick Combustion Technologies. They are manufactured in California, are designed to use less fuel, have lower NOx emissions, is NFPA compliant, meets Air Quality standards and the components used are UL listed.

We have one of their machines located within our Lakeport funeral home and we have not had one issue or complaint. We trust in the safety and manufacturing of these machines and ourselves hold years of experience in the cremation industry with our own high safety standards.

**Scope of Work**

We are hoping to get a use permit from the city of Folsom to operate our very own Hartwick Apex 250 Human Crematory. To accomplish this, we will be working side by side with the city of Folsom, Sacramento Air Quality Board and the CA Funeral and Cemetery Bureau to meet all necessary standards, laws and regulations in order to complete said application and Use permit.

Once we are issued the Use Permit from the city of Folsom, we will go ahead and install the Cremator inside the existing shed at Lakeside Memorial Lawn.

We will have it lifted with a crane off the truck and rolled inside the shed. Once in the proper place, the stack will be installed, and the electrical/propane lines connected by its respected professionals. The CA Cemetery and Funeral Bureau will do a final inspection and they will issue a crematory license. At that point we will be operational, and the city of Folsom will have its first crematory.

We have done this process twice in two other cities and we look forward to doing this in the city we live in.
If you have any questions or require more information, please contact me.

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Photographs of the Project Site
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Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration,
Dated January 2022
Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium

Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

This Initial Study (IS) addresses the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium project (proposed project) and whether it may cause significant effects on the environment. The IS also assesses whether any environmental impacts of the project are susceptible to substantial reduction or avoidance by project revision, imposition of conditions, or any other means [§15152(b)(2)] of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines. If such revisions, conditions, or other means are identified, they will be included as mitigation measures.

This Initial Study relies on CEQA Guidelines Sections §15064 and 15064.4 in its determination of the significance of the environmental impacts. Per §15064, the finding as to whether a project may have one or more significant impacts shall be based on substantial evidence in the record, and that controversy alone, without substantial evidence of a significant impact, does not trigger the need for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

2.0 PROJECT BACKGROUND

The following project specific technical reports quantified analysis and or surveys were used in preparation of this Initial Study and are incorporated by reference:

- Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Analysis, prepared by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. (December 2020).
- Addendum to the Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment, prepared by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. (November 2021).
- Cultural Resources Inventory Report for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed Project, prepared by ECORP Consulting, Inc. (November 2020).
- Tribal Consultation Record for Compliance with Assembly Bill 52 and CEQA for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed Project, prepared by ECORP Consulting, Inc. (January 2021).

3.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

3.1 Project Location

The proposed project would be constructed on an approximately 12-acre parcel situated near the western boundary of the City of Folsom in Sacramento County, California. The project site is located west of the intersection of Forrest Street/Natoma Street along Folsom Boulevard within the existing Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. It lies along the eastern shore of Lake Natoma. The crematorium would be constructed within an existing shed along the eastern boundary of the property, just west of the end of Mormon Street. The project site is identified as Assessor’s Parcel Number (APN) 070-0260-001. Refer to Figure 1 for the regional location and Figure 2 for an aerial view of the project site. All figures are included in Appendix A.

3.2 Project Setting and Surrounding Land Uses

The project site is currently a small cemetery, with associated landscaping, outbuildings, and access roads. Lands to the south and west contain woodland habitat typical of riparian communities in the Sierra Nevada foothills. Soils at the project site are comprised of dredge tailings and other fill material.
Tailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard prevent the site from being visible from that street. To the west is also the Jedediah Smith Memorial Trail that runs along the eastern shore of Lake Natoma. The trail, also known as the American River Bike Trail, connects Folsom Lake (north of the project site) to the confluence of the American and Sacramento Rivers in Downtown Sacramento. It is a part of the American River Parkway that is operated by the California Department of Parks and Recreation. To the north of the project site is a small residential neighborhood with single-family dwellings. Folsom Boulevard runs in a north/south line just east of the property. East of Folsom Boulevard is a large, developed area containing single-family homes, apartment complexes, a mobile home park, and some small businesses. The more regional setting is primarily characterized by residential development with a commercial shopping center to the east.

The project site is generally flat, ranging from about 175 to 185 feet above mean sea level. There are no wetlands, streams, or jurisdictional features located on the project site.

3.3 Project Characteristics

The project would be located in an existing metal shed on the grounds of the existing Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. The shed can be reached by following Mormon Street to its terminus, making a slight left turn, and continuing for approximately 100 feet down an access road. The proposed project includes the installation of one HCT Apex-250 crematory manufactured by Hartwick Combustion. The shed would be modified to accommodate this device, but the shed’s footprint would not be expanded. The shed currently covers 1,071 square feet. Further, a 10 foot by 15-foot walk-in cooler would be installed inside the shed to provide temporary, short-term storage of human remains prior to cremation. Two 250-gallon propane tanks would be installed on a proposed concrete pad along the northern side of the shed to provide power for the crematorium, as no gas lines currently exist on the property. The pad would cover approximately 38.3 square feet of ground. A small exhaust stack would be installed on the roof of the shed.

The applicant anticipates 1-4 cremations on business days (Monday through Friday) with the total number of cremations not exceeding 500 per year. Average cremation time is approximately 90 minutes. Refer to Figure 3 for the site design plan in Appendix A.

Parking and Circulation

Diagonal parking spaces can be found along both sides of Mormon Street. At the terminus of Mormon Street, members of the public may continue straight onto a main cemetery access road to find an additional parking lot. All existing parking spaces would be maintained. Access to the project site directly would continue to be provided by a smaller existing access road located at the southwestern terminus of Mormon Street. Both the smaller access road and the main access road can be reached at the terminus of Mormon Street, but the two roads do not form a continuous loop due to a fence line dividing them. No new parking spaces or facilities would be constructed.

As the crematorium would not be located in or near a funeral home and would be separate from any funeral services or public gatherings provided by the project applicant, access would only need to accommodate a small number of staff members with business at the site.
Emergency Vehicle Access

Emergency vehicle access would be maintained throughout the project site to meet the Fire Department standards for fire engine maneuvering, location of fire engine to fight a fire, rescue access to the units, and fire hose access to all sides of the building.

Utilities

The cemetery is currently serviced with potable water and irrigation water from the City of Folsom. There is no need to seek a “will serve” letter as the City currently provides water and the crematory would not substantially increase flow demand. The City also provides solid waste collection and disposal services; the project is not expected to result in a significantly increased demand for solid waste removal.

As an existing facility, Lakeside Memorial Lawn maintains adequate fire response infrastructure for both current operations and the proposed project. The City Fire Department reviewed the project application and did not raise any concerns regarding the adequacy of water supply or site access.

The cemetery is currently served with an electricity supply from the Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD). Electrical connections already exist for the shed, and may be upgraded as needed as part of the proposed project. Installation and operation of the crematory would not result in a significant increase in demand for electricity on the project site.

The cemetery, including the shed, does not have an existing sewer line. This project would not require access to, or construction of, a sewer line. The two 250-gallon propane tanks and a concrete pad for securing them would be constructed along the northern edge of the shed to provide power for the crematorium.

Stormwater flows on the site are retained and drained to Lake Natoma. There would be no change in the hydrologic regime of the project site due to the installation or operation of the proposed project.

Landscaping

Existing landscaping at the cemetery and around the shed consists of mature broad-leaved, coniferous, trees and palms. These trees and landscaping also provide shade for much of the cemetery and many of the parking spaces. An irrigated lawn surrounds the existing cemetery plots, and a smaller lawn surrounds the rear of the shed (i.e., the non-service entrance side). Native oak/gray pine woodland habitat surrounds the cemetery.

No new landscaping installation or modification is proposed. Native habitat in the vicinity of the project would not be disturbed. No built footprint would be expanded.

Fencing

An existing brick and wrought iron fence demarcate the boundary to the cemetery from the Forrest Street side, but does not extend the length of Mormon Street. A wooden fence currently separates the front side of the shed (facing the access road) from the back side and extends both north and south of the shed. The fencing south of the shed further extends to block the access road and restrict access between the lawn to the west of the shed and the access road to the east of the shed.
Grading

No grading of the site would be required.

3.4 City Regulation of Urban Development

General Plan

The City of Folsom updated and adopted its current comprehensive General Plan in August 2018. The General Plan is a long-term planning document that guides growth and land development in the City. It provides the foundation for establishing community goals and supporting policies, and directs appropriate land uses for all land parcels within the City. The project site is designated as Open Space (OS) in the City of Folsom General Plan. It is also within the Historic District and within a Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Transit Priority Area.

Zoning Ordinance

Developed land uses in the City of Folsom are regulated specifically by the City's Zoning Code (Title 17 of the City's Municipal Code), in addition to the other adopted regulations and programs that apply to all proposed development within the City. In more detail than the General Plan, the Zoning Code regulates land uses on a parcel-by-parcel basis throughout the City. In order to achieve this regulation, the City assigns each parcel within the City to a zoning district, such as a district for single-family homes. Regulations for each district apply equally to all properties within the district.

The project site is currently within the Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District (OS/P), with an underlying zoning of Open Space and Conservation (OSC). The applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit from the City to authorize their installation of a crematory.

3.5 Other City Regulation of Urban Development

The City of Folsom further regulates urban development through standard construction conditions and through mitigation, building, and construction requirements set forth in the Folsom Municipal Code. Required of all projects constructed throughout the City, compliance with the requirements of the City’s standard conditions and the provisions of the Municipal Code avoids or reduces many potential environmental effects. City procedures to minimize negative environmental effects and disruptions include an analysis of existing features, responsible agency and public input to the design process, engineering and design standards, and construction controls. The activities that mitigate typical environmental impacts to be implemented by the City during the project review, design, and construction phases are described in greater detail below.

Community Development Department Standard Construction Conditions

The City's standard construction requirements are set forth in the City of Folsom, Community Development Standard Construction Specifications updated in February of 2020. A summary of these requirements is set forth below and incorporated by reference into the project description. Copies of these documents may be reviewed at the City of Folsom, Community Development Department, 50 East Natoma Street, Folsom, California 95630.
The Department’s standard construction specifications are required to be adhered to by any contractor constructing a public or private project within the City.

**Use of Pesticides** – Requires contractors to store, use, and apply a wide range of chemicals consistent with all local, state, and federal rules and regulations.

**Air Pollution Control** – Requires compliance with all Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) and City air pollution regulations.

**Water Pollution** – Requires compliance with City water pollution regulations, including National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) provisions.

**Noise Control** – Requires that all construction work comply with the Folsom Noise Ordinance (discussed further below), and that all construction vehicles be equipped with a muffler to control sound levels.

**Naturally Occurring Asbestos** – Requires compliance with all SMAQMD and City air pollution regulations, including preparation and implementation of an Asbestos Dust Mitigation Plan consistent with the requirements of Section 93105 of the State Government Code.

**Weekend, Holiday, and Night Work** – Prohibits construction work during evening hours, or on Sunday or holidays, to reduce noise and other construction nuisance effects.

**Public Convenience** – Regulates traffic through the work area, operations of existing traffic signals, roadway cuts for pipelines and cable installation, effects to adjacent property owners, and notification of adjacent property owners and businesses.

**Public Safety and Traffic Control** – Regulates signage and other traffic safety devices through work zones.

**Existing Utilities** – Regulates the relocation and protection of utilities.

**Preservation of Property** – Requires preservation of trees and shrubbery and prohibits adverse effects to adjacent property and fixtures.

**Cultural Resources** – Requires that contractors stop work upon the discovery of unknown cultural or historic resources, and that an archaeologist be retained to evaluate the significance of the resource and to establish mitigation requirements, if necessary.

**Protection of Existing Trees** – Specifies measures necessary to protect both ornamental and native oak trees.

**Clearing and Grubbing** – Specifies protection standards for signs, mailboxes, underground structures, drainage facilities, sprinklers and lights, trees and shrubbery, and fencing. Also requires the preparation of a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) to control erosion and siltation of receiving waters.

**Reseeding** – Specifies seed mixes and methods for reseeding of graded areas.

**City of Folsom Municipal Code**

The City regulates many aspects of construction and development through requirements and ordinances established in the Folsom Municipal Code. These requirements are summarized in Table 1 and
incorporated by reference into the project description. Copies of these documents may be reviewed at the City of Folsom, Office of the City Clerk, 50 East Natoma Street, Folsom, California 95630.

### Table 1. City of Folsom Municipal Code Regulating Construction and Development

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<td>Noise Control</td>
<td>Establishes interior and exterior noise standards that may not be exceeded within structures, including residences; establishes time periods for construction operations.</td>
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<td>Stormwater Management and Discharge Control</td>
<td>Establishes conditions and requirements for the discharge of urban pollutants and sediments to the storm-drainage system; requires preparation and implementation of Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans.</td>
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<td>Hazardous Materials Disclosure</td>
<td>Defines hazardous materials; requires filing of a Hazardous Material Disclosure Form by businesses that manufacture, use, or store such materials.</td>
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<td>Underground Storage of Hazardous Substances</td>
<td>Establishes standards for the construction and monitoring of facilities used for the underground storage of hazardous substances and establishes a procedure for issuance of permits for the use of these facilities.</td>
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<td>Tree Preservation</td>
<td>Regulates the cutting or modification of trees, including oaks and specified other trees; requires a Tree Permit prior to cutting or modification; establishes mitigation requirements for cut or damaged trees.</td>
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<td>13.26</td>
<td>Water Conservation</td>
<td>Prohibits the wasteful use of water; establishes sustainable landscape requirements; defines water use restrictions.</td>
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<td>Green Building Standards Code</td>
<td>Adopts the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen Code), 2010 Edition, excluding Appendix Chapters A4 and A5, published as Part 11, Title 24, C.C.R. to promote and require the use of building concepts having a reduced negative impact or positive environmental impact and encouraging sustainable construction practices.</td>
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<td>Grading Code</td>
<td>Requires a grading permit prior to the initiation of any grading, excavation, fill or dredging; establishes standards, conditions, and requirements for grading, erosion control, stormwater drainage, and revegetation.</td>
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<td>Flood Damage Prevention</td>
<td>Restricts or prohibits uses that cause water or erosion hazards, or that result in damaging increases in erosion or in flood heights; requires that uses vulnerable to floods be protected against flood damage; controls the modification of floodways; regulates activities that may increase flood damage or that could divert floodwaters.</td>
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4.0 PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The project objectives, as expressed by the applicant, are to:

- Provide cremation services for those who currently live in and around Folsom, as no such services currently exist in the City;
- Provide cremation services for members of the population whose customs or religions require such practices;
- Prepare for an increase in the demand for cremation services as cremations become more popular in California and as Folsom’s population grows;
- Upgrade existing facilities to capitalize on a business opportunity that has proven successful for the applicant elsewhere in California.

5.0 REQUIRED APPROVALS

A listing and brief description of the project approvals required to implement the proposed project is provided below. This environmental document is intended to address the environmental impacts associated with all the following decision actions and approvals:

- Conditional Use Permit

The City of Folsom has the following discretionary powers related to the proposed project:

- **Certification of the environmental document**: The Folsom City Council will act as the lead agency as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and will have authority to determine if the environmental document is adequate under CEQA.
- **Approval of project**: The Folsom City Council will consider approval of the project and all entitlements as described above.

6.0 PREVIOUS RELEVANT ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

6.1 City of Folsom General Plan

The Program EIR for the City of Folsom General Plan (2018) provides relevant policy guidance for this environmental analysis. The EIR evaluated the environmental impacts that could result from implementation of the City of Folsom 2035 General Plan (2035 General Plan) (City of Folsom 2018a). The Program EIR is intended to provide information to the public and to decision makers regarding the potential effects of adoption and implementation of the 2035 General Plan, which consists of a comprehensive update of Folsom’s current General Plan. The 2035 General Plan consists of a policy document, including Land Use and Circulation Diagrams.
6.2 Tiering

“Tiering” refers to the relationship between a Program EIR (where long-range programmatic cumulative impacts are the focus of the environmental analysis) and subsequent environmental analyses such as the subject document, which focus primarily on issues unique to a smaller project within the larger program or plan. Through tiering a subsequent environmental analysis can incorporate, by reference, discussion that summarizes general environmental data found in the Program EIR that establishes cumulative impacts and mitigation measures, the planning context, and/or the regulatory background. These broad-based issues need not be reevaluated subsequently, having been previously identified and evaluated at the program stage.

Tiering focuses the environmental review on the project-specific significant effects that were not examined in the prior environmental review, or that are susceptible to substantial reduction or avoidance by specific revisions in the project, by the imposition of conditions or by other means. Section 21093(b) of the Public Resources Code requires the tiering of environmental review whenever feasible, as determined by the Lead Agency.

In the case of the proposed project, this Initial Study tiers from the Program EIR for the City of Folsom 2035 General Plan. The Folsom 2035 General Plan is a project that is related to the proposed project and, pursuant to §15152(a) of the State CEQA Guidelines, tiering of environmental documents is appropriate. State CEQA Guidelines §15152(e) specifically provides that:

“[w]hen tiering is used, the later EIRs or Negative Declarations shall refer to the prior EIR and state where a copy of the prior EIR may be examined. The later [environmental document] should state that the Lead Agency is using the tiering concept and that the [environmental document] is being tiered with the earlier EIR.”

The above-mentioned Program EIR and this Initial Study can be reviewed at the following location:

City of Folsom
Community Development Department
50 East Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630
Contact: Mr. Josh Kinkade, Associate Planner
(916) 461-6209

6.3 Incorporation of the Folsom General Plan and East Area Facilities Plan EIRs by Reference

The Program EIR for the Folsom 2035 General Plan is a comprehensive document. Due to various references to the Folsom 2035 General Plan Program EIR in this proposed project, and to its importance relative to understanding the environmental analysis that has occurred to date with respect to development in the Folsom area, the program EIR document is hereby incorporated by reference pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15150.

6.4 Summary of Folsom 2035 General Plan EIR

The 2035 General Plan Program EIR focused on the secondary or indirect effects of implementing the 2035 General Plan. Indirect physical changes to the environment (impacts) that could result from
implementation of 2035 General Plan are addressed in the appropriate technical chapters of the Program EIR. Likewise, inconsistency with an adopted plan, in general, is not considered a direct physical impact to the environment, but may result in impacts, which are discussed in the appropriate technical chapters. According to this definition, potential secondary or indirect environmental effects may be divided into two broad classes:

- **Coverage Impacts** - Those that result from development or other activities covering land or otherwise physically interfering with a resource (e.g., constructing a paved parking lot over a sensitive biological resource); and,

- **Intensity Impacts** - Those that result from increased levels of human activity (e.g., increases in traffic levels leading to increased emissions of criteria air pollutants).

The 2035 General Plan does not identify any additional areas designated for urban uses beyond those set forth in the 1988 General Plan as amended through fall 2017. Therefore, the environmental analysis concentrates its evaluation on those undeveloped areas designated for urban uses and the resources still present within them, including within the Folsom Plan Area Specific Plan (FPASP) area, south of Highway 50.

**Coverage Impacts**

These impacts are based on the conversion of existing vacant parcels to a developed land use. Conversion can result in the eradication of, or damage to, a resource, revealing of environmental conditions detrimental to a developed land use, or exposure of the developed use to an existing environmental hazard. For the purposes of evaluating these effects, the Program EIR assumed that all land identified for urban uses in the 2035 General Plan would be developed with such uses within the 20-year planning horizon.

For areas designated for urban or infrastructure uses by the 2035 General Plan, potential coverage effects for certain environmental topics were assessed in a multi-step process. Quantitative evaluations began with a review of resources potentially affected by the implementation of the 2035 General Plan project, and the areal extent of identified resources.

To determine the locations where a resource could be converted to developed uses under the proposed 2035 General Plan, an inventory of each environmental resource within each urban area project boundary was completed. Using geospatial data, or geographic information systems (GIS), all parcels or lots within the 2035 Plan Evaluation Area were identified as developed or vacant. Vacant parcels were further identified as being located north of Highway 50, or south of Highway 50 within the FPASP area.

For vacant parcels north of Highway 50, the analysis identified 453 total vacant parcels encompassing 441 acres. Of these 453 parcels, 377 are lots within existing single-family residential subdivisions totaling 163 acres, with a gross median lot size of 16,125 square feet. Of the remaining 76 parcels, the majority are designated for commercial or multi-family uses. For these uses, the total acreage is 278 acres with a gross median parcel size of 37,150 square feet. Once the 453 parcels were identified, each was evaluated using aerial photographs to determine its condition. As evidenced on the aerial photographs, the overwhelming majority of both the single-family residential and commercial/multi-family residential parcels are remnant areas within subdivisions or larger development projects, and most have been disturbed by prior rough grading and/or the construction of roads and utilities.
There are a total of 3,336 acres in the FPASP area south of Highway 50, of which 1,118 acres would remain in open space. The remaining 2,218 acres would be developed with a variety of urban land uses and supporting infrastructure. Although potential environmental impacts could occur throughout the 2035 Plan Evaluation Area, the majority of the land available for new development of urban uses (77 percent of the citywide total or 2,218 acres) would be located within the FPASP area.

The possibility of potential coverage impacts was determined by layering maps of sensitive resources (e.g., sensitive species, areas of naturally occurring asbestos, flood hazards) over the map of vacant parcels. The results of this type of analysis are reported in the following chapters of the PEIR: 6. Aesthetics and Visual Resources, 7. Agricultural and Forestry Resources, 9. Biological Resources, 10. Cultural Resources, 11. Geology, Soils, and Mineral Resources, 13. Hazards and Hazardous Materials, 14. Hydrology and Water Quality, and 18. Tribal Cultural Resources.

**Intensity Impacts**

Intensity impacts, such as those for traffic, air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, and noise, depend upon both the location and level of human activity. Other impacts, such as those to public services and utilities depend upon the size of the served population.

The 2035 General Plan proposed no increases in the amount of land identified for urban uses beyond that currently identified in the 1988 General Plan as amended. However, the development of urban uses on vacant land designated and available for residential and employment uses would result in an increase in the number of people and jobs in the City over existing (2015/2017) conditions. For intensity impacts, the PEIR evaluated a forecast of 2035 conditions consistent with the land uses identified in the 2035 General Plan.

The 2035 development forecast is based on a buildout model for use in the analysis of future traffic conditions. Summarily, the buildout model forecasts full development of all planned land uses within the existing city limits, full buildout of the Easton and Glenborough projects as approved by Sacramento County, and background land use assumptions outside of the City, Glenborough, and Easton consistent with the land use assumptions of Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Metropolitan Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (MTP/SCS). Because the MTP/SCS forecasts conditions for the year 2036, the buildout model used in the Program EIR interpolates 2035 conditions, the horizon year for the proposed Folsom General Plan.

As with the Coverage Impact analysis, the Intensity Impact Analysis focused on the difference between the location and level of human activity currently existing (2015/2017), and the level of activity that would exist with implementation of the 2035 General Plan. The results of this type of analysis are reported in the following chapters of the Program EIR: 8. Air Resources, 12. Global Climate Change, 15. Noise and Vibration, 16. Public Services and Recreation, 17. Transportation, and 19. Utilities and Service Systems.
7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED

The environmental factors checked below would be potentially affected by this project, involving at least one impact that may require mitigation to reduce the impact from “Potential Impact” to “Less than Significant” as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

An Initial Study is conducted by a Lead Agency to determine if a project may have a potentially significant effect on the environment (CEQA Guidelines Section 15063). An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) must be prepared if an Initial Study indicates that further analysis is needed to determine whether a significant impact will occur or if there is substantial evidence in the record that a project may have a significant effect on the environment (CEQA Guidelines Section 15064(f)).

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### 8.0 DETERMINATION (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE LEAD AGENCY)

On the basis of this initial evaluation:

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Printed Name:  
Date: 1/3/21  
City of Folsom  
For:
9.0 ENVIRONMENTAL INITIAL STUDY CHECKLIST

Responses to the following questions and related discussion indicate if the proposed project will have or will potentially have a significant adverse impact on the environment, either individually or cumulatively with other projects. All phases of project planning, implementation, and operation are considered. Mandatory Findings of Significance are located in Section 9.XXI below.

A. “Potentially Significant Impact” is appropriate if there is substantial evidence that an effect may be significant. If there are one or more “Potentially Significant Impact” entries when the determination is made, an EIR is required.

B. “Less Than Significant with Mitigation” applies where the incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from “Potentially Significant Impact” to a “Less Than Significant Impact.” The lead agency must describe the mitigation measures and briefly explain how they reduce the effect to a less than significant level (mitigation measures from earlier analyses may be cross-referenced).

C. “Less Than Significant Impact” applies where the project creates no significant impacts, only less than significant impacts.

D. “No Impact” applies where a project does not create an impact in that category. “No Impact” answers do not require an explanation if they are adequately supported by the information sources cited by the lead agency which show that the impact simply does not apply to projects like the one involved (e.g., the project falls outside a fault rupture zone). A “No Impact” answer should be explained where it is based on project-specific factors as well as general standards (e.g., the project would not expose sensitive receptors to pollutants, based on a project specific screening analysis).
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Environmental Setting

The project site is currently a small cemetery, with associated landscaping, outbuildings, and access roads. Lands to the south and west contain woodland habitat typical of riparian communities in the Sierra Nevada foothills. Soils at the project site are comprised of dredge tailings and other fill material. Tailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard prevent the site from being visible from that street. To the west is also the Jedidiah Smith Memorial Trail that runs along the eastern shore of Lake Natoma. To the north is a small residential neighborhood with single family dwellings. Folsom Boulevard runs in a north/south line just east of the property. East of Folsom Boulevard is a large, developed area containing single family homes, apartment complexes, a mobile home park, and some small businesses. The more regional setting is primarily characterized by residential development with a commercial shopping center to the east.

The project would be located in an existing metal shed on the grounds of the existing Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. The shed can be reached by following Mormon Street to its terminus, making a slight left turn, and continuing for approximately 100 feet down an access road. The proposed project includes the installation of one HCT Apex-250 crematory manufactured by Hartwick Combustion. The shed would be modified to accommodate this device, but its footprint would not be expanded. It currently covers 1,071 square feet. A small exhaust stack would be added to the roof of the shed. This stack would be approximately 19.5 feet above grade, and would project approximately 10 feet above the existing roof of the shed. The crematory would be placed in the northwest corner of the shed. Two 250-gallon propane tanks would be installed on a proposed concrete pad along the northern side of the shed to provide power for the crematorium, as no gas lines currently exist. An existing wooden fence would shield these tanks from view from the publicly used areas of the cemetery.
Existing landscaping at the cemetery and around the shed consists of mature broad-leaved, coniferous, and palm trees. These trees also provide shade for much of the cemetery and many of the parking spaces. An irrigated lawn surrounds the existing cemetery plots and a smaller lawn surrounds the rear of the shed (i.e., the non-service entrance side). Native oak/gray pine woodland habitat exists surrounding the cemetery. No new landscaping installation or modification is proposed. Native habitat in the vicinity of the project would not be disturbed. No built footprint would be expanded.

An existing brick and wrought iron fence marks the edge of the cemetery from the Forrest Street side, but does not extend the length of Mormon Street. A wooden fence currently separates the front side of the shed (facing the access road) from the back side and extends both north and south of the shed. The fencing south of the shed further extends to block the access road and restrict access between the lawn to the west of the shed and the access road to the east of the shed. No changes to fencing are proposed as part of this action.

The access side of the shed that would be used for crematory operations is shielded from view from the rest of the cemetery by wooden fencing. A gravel berm shields views of the shed from the east, including from Folsom Boulevard. No external modifications to the shed are proposed.

**Evaluation of Aesthetics**

- **a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?**
  
  **No Impact.** Neither the project site nor the surrounding areas are scenic vistas due to the presence of existing nearby commercial and residential developments. Further, neither the project site, nor views to or from the project site, have been designated as important scenic resources by the City of Folsom or any other public agency. Additionally, the site of proposed modifications is already largely shielded from public view and would remain so. Therefore, the proposed development would not interfere with or degrade a scenic vista, and no impact would occur.

- **b) Substantially damage scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?**

  **No Impact.** There are no state or locally designated scenic highways in the vicinity of the proposed project site (Caltrans 2020). Implementation of the proposed project would not adversely affect scenic resources within a designated scenic highway, and no impact would occur.

- **c) In non-urbanized areas, substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of public views of the site and its surroundings? (Public views are those that are experienced from publicly accessible vantage point). If the project is in an urbanized area, would the project conflict with applicable zoning and other regulations governing scenic quality?**

  **Less than Significant Impact.** The crematory would be placed inside a shed that already exists on the property and that is already mostly shielded from public view. The only external modifications would be the addition of two 250-gallon propane tanks on a concrete pad near the edge of the building and the addition of a small exhaust stack to the roof of the shed. Given that external modifications would be very minor and that the building is already mostly shielded from view, any impacts would be less than significant.
d) Create a new source of substantial light or glare that would adversely affect day or nighttime views in the area?

**No Impact.** The project would not result in any external glow or light source. No impact would occur.
II. AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY RESOURCES

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Would the project:

a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?

b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?

c) Conflict with existing zoning for, or cause rezoning of, forest land (as defined in Public Resources Code section 12220(g)), timberland (as defined by Public Resources Code section 4526), or timberland zoned Timberland Production (as defined by Government Code section 51104(g))?

d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

e) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland, to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

Environmental Setting

No agricultural activities or timber management occur on the project site or in adjacent areas, and the project site is not designated for agricultural or timberland uses. The California Important Farmland Finder classifies the project site as “Urban and Built Up” and “Other Land” (i.e., not farmland or potential farmland) (CDC 2020c).

The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) soil survey report generated for the project site indicates that no Prime or Unique Farmland or Farmland of Statewide Importance occurs on the project site (NRCS 2020).

Evaluation of Agriculture and Forestry Resources

a) Convert Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide Importance (Farmland), as shown on the maps prepared pursuant to the Farmland Mapping and Monitoring Program of the California Resources Agency, to non-agricultural use?

No Impact. The project site is not designated as Prime Farmland, Unique Farmland, or Farmland of Statewide importance (Farmland), pursuant to the California Important Farmland Finder (CDC 2020c). Therefore, no impact would occur.
b) Conflict with existing zoning for agricultural use, or a Williamson Act contract?

No Impact. The project site is not zoned for agricultural use or enacted into a Williamson Act contract. Therefore, no impact would occur.

c) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use?

No Impact. The project site is not zoned or designated as farmland, and the surrounding land uses are primarily residential developments and open space as part of an urban greenbelt. Therefore, the nature and location of the project would not directly or indirectly result in the conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural uses. No impact would occur.

d) Result in the loss of forest land or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

No impact. No changes to the landscape are proposed, no removal of trees is proposed, and no expansion of a building footprint is proposed. No impact would occur.

e) Involve other changes in the existing environment which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of Farmland to non-agricultural use or conversion of forest land to non-forest use?

No Impact. No changes to the landscape are proposed, no removal of trees is proposed, and no expansion of a building footprint is proposed. No impact would occur.
### AIR QUALITY

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a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?  ☐  ☐  ■  ☐

b) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?  ☐  ☐  ☐  ■

c) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?  ☐  ☐  ■  ☐

d) Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?  ☐  ☐  ■  ☐

The Air Quality section of this document is based upon the approach, methodology, results, and conclusions outlined in the project-specific Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Assessment (HELIX 2020) and the subsequent addendum analysis (HELIX 2021); both documents were prepared by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. and are included as Appendix B.

### Environmental Setting

The City of Folsom lies within the Sacramento Valley Air Basin (SVAB), near the southeastern edge. The SVAB consists of all or parts of eleven counties spanning from Solano and Sacramento counties in the south to Shasta County in the north. The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) is responsible for implementing emissions standards and other requirements of federal and state laws for Sacramento County, including the project area.

The climate of the SVAB is characterized by hot, dry summers and mild, rainy winters. During the year, the temperature may range from 20 to 115 degrees Fahrenheit with summer highs usually in the 90s and winter lows occasionally below freezing. Average annual rainfall is about 20 inches with snowfall being very rare. The prevailing winds are moderate in strength and vary from moist breezes from the south to dry land flows from the north. The mountains surrounding the Sacramento Valley create a barrier to airflow, which can trap air pollutants in the valley when certain meteorological conditions are present, and a temperature inversion (areas of warm air overlying areas of cooler air) exists. Air stagnation in the autumn and early winter occurs when large high-pressure cells lie over the valley. The lack of surface wind during these periods and the reduced vertical flow caused by less surface heating reduces the influx of outside air and allows pollutants to become concentrated in the air. The surface concentrations of pollutants are highest when these conditions are combined with increased levels of smoke or when temperature inversions trap cool air, fog, and pollutants near the ground. The ozone season (May through October) in the SVAB is characterized by stagnant morning air or light winds with...
the breeze arriving in the afternoon out of the southwest from the San Francisco Bay. Usually the evening breeze transports the airborne pollutants to the north out of the SVAB. During about half of the days from July to September, however, a phenomenon called the “Schultz Eddy” prevents this from occurring. Instead of allowing for the prevailing wind patterns to move north carrying the pollutants out of the valley, the Schultz Eddy causes the wind pattern and pollutants to circle back southward. This phenomenon’s effect exacerbates the pollution levels in the area and increases the likelihood of violating the federal and state air quality standards (SMAQMD 2020a).

**Regulatory Setting**

**Criteria Pollutants**

Ambient air quality is described in terms of compliance with state and national standards, and the levels of air pollutant concentrations considered safe, to protect the public health and welfare. These standards are designed to protect people most sensitive to respiratory distress, such as asthmatics, the elderly, very young children, people already weakened by other disease or illness, and persons engaged in strenuous work or exercise. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the federal agency that administers the Federal Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended in 1990, has established national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for several air pollution constituents known as criteria pollutants, including: ozone (O₃); carbon monoxide (CO); coarse particulate matter (PM₁₀; particles 10 microns or less) and fine particulate matter (PM₂.₅; particles 2.5 microns or less); sulfur dioxide (SO₂); and lead (Pb). As permitted by the Clean Air Act, California has adopted the more stringent California ambient air quality standards (CAAQS) and expanded the number of regulated air constituents. Ground-level ozone is not emitted directly into the environment but is generated from complex chemical and photochemical reactions between precursor pollutants, primarily reactive organic gases (ROGs; also known as volatile organic compounds [VOC]), and oxides of nitrogen (NOₓ). PM₁₀ and PM₂.₅ are generated from a variety of sources, including road dust, diesel exhaust, fuel combustion, tire and brake wear, construction operations and windblown dust. In addition, PM₁₀ and PM₂.₅ can also be formed through chemical and photochemical reactions of precursor pollutants in the atmosphere.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is required to designate areas of the state as attainment, nonattainment, or unclassified for the ambient air quality standards. An “attainment” designation for an area signifies that pollutant concentrations do not violate the standard for that pollutant in that area. A “nonattainment” designation indicates that a pollutant concentration violated the standard at least once. An “unclassified” designation indicates that insufficient data was available to determine the status. The air quality attainment status of Sacramento County is shown in Table 2.

**Table 2. Sacramento County Attainment Status**

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<th>Pollutant</th>
<th>State of California Attainment Status</th>
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<td>Ozone (1-hour)</td>
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<td>Fine Particulate Matter (PM₂.₅)</td>
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¹ CARB defines and uses the term ROGs while the USEPA defines and uses the term VOCs. The compounds included in the lists of ROGs and VOCs and the methods of calculation are slightly different. However, for the purposes of estimating criteria pollutant precursor emissions, the two terms are often used interchangeably.
Sacramento County is designated as nonattainment for the state and federal ozone standards, the state PM$_{10}$ standards, and the federal PM$_{2.5}$ standards. The SMAQMD is responsible for implementing emissions standards and other requirements of federal and state laws in Sacramento County. Attainment plans for meeting the federal air quality standards are incorporated into the State Implementation Plan (SIP), which is subsequently submitted to the USEPA, the federal agency that administers the Federal CAA of 1970, as amended in 1990. The current air quality plan applicable to the project, the *Sacramento Regional 2008 NAAQS 8-Hour Ozone Attainment and Reasonable Further Progress Plan* (Regional Ozone Plan), was developed by the SMAQMD and adjacent air district to describe how the air districts in and near the Sacramento metropolitan area will continue the progress toward attaining state and national ozone air quality standards (SMAQMD 2017).

**Toxic Air Contaminants**

Toxic air contaminants (TAC) are a diverse group of air pollutants that may cause or contribute to an increase in deaths or in serious illness or that may pose a present or potential hazard to human health. TACs can cause long-term chronic health effects such as cancer, birth defects, neurological damage, asthma, bronchitis, or genetic damage, or short-term acute effects such as eye watering, respiratory irritation (a cough), runny nose, throat pain, and headaches. TACs are considered either carcinogenic or noncarcinogenic based on the nature of the health effects associated with exposure to the pollutant. For carcinogenic TACs, there is no level of exposure that is considered safe and impacts are evaluated in terms of overall relative risk expressed as excess cancer cases per one million exposed individuals. Noncarcinogenic TACs differ in that there is generally assumed to be a safe level of exposure below which no negative health impact is believed to occur. These levels are determined on a pollutant-by-pollutant basis.

The Health and Safety Code (§39655[a]) defines TAC as “an air pollutant which may cause or contribute to an increase in mortality or in serious illness, or which may pose a present or potential hazard to human health.” All substances that are listed as hazardous air pollutants pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 112 of the CAA (42 United States Code Sec. 7412[b]) are designated as TACs. Under State law, the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), acting through CARB, is authorized to identify a substance as a TAC if it determines the substance is an air pollutant that may cause or contribute to an increase in mortality or an increase in serious illness, or that may pose a present or potential hazard to human health.

Crematories are a potential source of TACs as a result of trace metals and organic compounds that accumulate in the body throughout a person’s life and are released during combustion of human remains, and as a result of trace organic compounds that are formed in the combustion process. These TACs include: metals and inorganics (i.e., arsenic, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, copper, hydrogen...
fluoride, lead, mercury, nickel, selenium, zinc); VOCs (i.e., benzene, toluene, xylenes, vinyl chloride); aldehydes (i.e., acetaldehyde, formaldehyde); polyaromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs); polychlorinated dibenzodioxins (dioxins; PCDD); and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (furans; PCD). Prolonged exposure to significant concentrations of these TACS can result in a variety of adverse health effects including cancers, chronic conditions, and/or acute conditions, depending on the substance and level of exposure. Based on the results of the Health Risk Assessment (HRA), described below, hexavalent chromium and mercury are the primary drivers of the health risks from crematory emissions because the health risks from crematory emissions of these substances are one or more orders of magnitude greater than the health risks from other TACs in crematory emissions.

Increased Cancer Risks – Hexavalent Chromium. Hexavalent chromium is a toxic form of the element chromium. Hexavalent chromium compounds are man-made and widely used in many different industries. Prolonged exposure to airborne hexavalent chromium may result in lung cancer. Although exposure to high levels of airborne hexavalent chromium may result in irritation or damage to the nose, throat, and lungs, breathing small amounts of hexavalent chromium even for long periods does not cause respiratory tract irritation in most people (Occupational Safety and Health Administration [OSHA] 2006).

Non-Cancer Chronic and Acute Health Risks – Mercury. Mercury is a naturally occurring element that is found in its elemental form (commonly known as quicksilver), in organic compounds which accumulate in fish and shellfish, and in inorganic compounds mainly occurring in contaminated drinking water. Mercury is a neurotoxin that can result in a range of chronic neurological disorders and developmental issues. The specific health effects of mercury are dependent on the form and amount of mercury in the exposure, the duration of the exposure, and the age of the individual (USEPA 2020b).

Sensitive Receptors

Some land uses are considered more sensitive to air pollution than others due to the types of population groups or activities involved and are referred to as sensitive receptors. Examples of these sensitive receptors are residences, schools, hospitals, and daycare centers. CARB and the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) have identified the following groups of individuals as the most likely to be affected by air pollution: the elderly over 65, children under 14, infants (including in utero in the third trimester of pregnancy), and persons with cardiovascular and chronic respiratory diseases such as asthma, emphysema, and bronchitis (CARB 2005; OEHHA 2015).

Residential areas are considered sensitive receptors to air pollution because residents (including children and the elderly) tend to be at home for extended periods of time, resulting in sustained exposure to any pollutants present. Children and infants are considered more susceptible to health effects of air pollution due to their immature immune systems, developing organs, and higher breathing rates. As such, schools are also considered sensitive receptors, as children are present for extended durations and engage in regular outdoor activities.

The closest existing sensitive receptors to the project site are multiple single-family residences adjacent to the cemetery to the north, between 450 and 750 feet from the proposed crematory location, and mobile homes across Folsom Boulevard to the east, approximately 700 feet from the proposed crematory location; see Figure 3, Receptor Locations, attached to the air quality report. The closest schools to the project site are the Folsom Montessori School approximately 3,200 feet (0.6 miles) to the northeast and the Golden Valley Charter River School. That school is located across Lake Natoma from
the project site and, though it is approximately 2.7 miles away by car, its physical location is about 3,000 feet (just over one-half mile) northwest of the project site.

Methods

Criteria Pollutant Emissions

Criteria pollutant and precursor emissions for long-term operation of the proposed crematory were calculated using propane combustion emissions factors from the USEPA AP-42 Compilation of Emissions Factors Chapter 1.5 (USEPA 2008), and crematory emissions factors provided by the SMAQMD, which combined USEPA AP-42 data and the USEPA Factor Information Retrieval Program (SMAQMD 2020b).

Crematory Health Risks

Potential health risks to nearby sensitive receptors from the emission of TACs during operation of the proposed crematory were analyzed after consultation with the SMAQMD and in accordance with the OEHHA Air Toxics Hot Spots Program Guidance Manual for Preparation of Health Risk Assessments (OEHHA 2015).

TAC Emissions

Toxic emissions from the cremation process were estimated based on emissions factors provided by the SMAQMD and on maximum cremation process rates provided by Caring Service Group of 200 pounds per hour and 100,000 pounds per year. The TAC emissions factors provided by SMAQMD were based on data in a test report from CARB that measured emissions from two propane-fired crematories (SMAQMD 2020b).

Dispersion Modeling

Localized concentrations of TACs were modeled using Lakes AERMOD View version 9.8.3. The Lakes program utilizes USEPA’s AERMOD gaussian air dispersion model version 19191. Plot files from AERMOD using unitized emissions (one gram per second) from the crematory stack were imported into CARB’s Hotspots Analysis and Reporting Program (HARP), Air Dispersion Modeling and Risk Tool (ADMRT) version 19121. The ADMRT calculated ground-level concentrations of TACs utilizing the imported plot files and the annual and hourly emissions inventory (provided in detail in Attachment A to the Air Quality report).

Source Parameters

Based on data provided by the crematory manufacturer, emissions from the proposed crematory were modeled as a point source emitting from the exhaust stack at 19.5 feet above the ground. The stack diameter was set at 20 inches, the exhaust gas temperature was set to 1080 degrees Fahrenheit (°F), the gas exit velocity was set to 14.7 feet per second, and the stack was assumed to have a rain cap resulting in a near-zero initial vertical gas velocity. Downwash from the existing shed housing the proposed crematory was modeled using the Building Profile Input Program (BPIP – a building preprocessing program for AERMOD).
Meteorological Data

SMAQMD provides pre-processed meteorological data suitable for use with AERMOD (SMAQMD 2014) for projects within Sacramento County. The available data set most representative of conditions in the project vicinity was from the Sacramento Executive Airport station, approximately 19 miles southwest of the project site. The Sacramento Executive Airport set includes 5 years of data collected between 2010 to 2014. Rural dispersion coefficients were selected in the model to reflect the existing undeveloped and open nature of the immediate project vicinity. A wind rose for the Sacramento Executive Airport shows an average speed of 6.6 miles per hour from the south (Iowa Environmental Mesonet 2019). The wind rose graphic is included in Attachment B to the air quality report.

Terrain Data

United States Geological Survey (USGS) National Elevation Dataset (NED) files with a 10-meter resolution covering an area approximately 500 meters (1,640 feet) around the project site were used in the model to cover the analysis area. Terrain data was imported to the model using AERMAP (a terrain preprocessing program for AERMOD).

Receptor Modeling

To develop risk isopleths (linear contours showing equal level of risk) and ensure that the area of maximum impact was captured, receptors were placed in a cartesian grid 690 meters by 490 meters (approximately 2,264 feet by 1,608 feet), centered on the proposed crematory with a grid spacing of 10 meters (33 feet) and a receptor height (flagpole height) of 1.2 meters (4 feet) above the ground. Additional discrete receptors were placed at the residential property line of the 37 closest identified sensitive receptors and the 4 closest off-site worker buildings. See Figure 3 for the discrete receptor locations relative to the TAC source.

Risk Determination

Health risks resulting from localized concentration of TACs emitted by the proposed crematory were estimated using the ADMRT. The latest cancer slope factors, chronic Recommended Exposure Limits (REL), acute RELs and exposure paths for all TACs, as designated by CARB, are included in the ADMRT. For the residential cancer risk, an exposure duration of 30 years was selected in accordance with the OEHHA (2015) guidelines. In accordance with OEHHA guidelines, the model conservatively assumes that residents would be standing and breathing outdoors at the location of the property line closest to the crematory every day between 17 and 21 hours per day (depending on the age group, starting with infants in utero in the third trimester of pregnancy) for 30 years. For off-site worker cancer risk, an exposure duration of 25 years was selected with an assumption of 8 hours per day, 5 days per week of exposure while standing outside. The mandatory minimum exposure pathways and the OEHHA derived breathing intake rate percentile method were selected.

Significance Criteria

The following potential air quality impacts are based on Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines, a significant impact is identified if the project would result in any of the following:

a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?
b) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?
c) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?
d) Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?

While the final determination of whether or not a project has a significant effect is within the purview of the lead agency pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064(b), the SMAQMD has adopted screening tables and thresholds which lead agencies can use to determine the significance of a development project’s short-term construction and long-term operational pollutant emissions. The SMAQMD’s project-level thresholds of significance for mass emissions of criteria pollutant and precursors and exposure to TACs are shown in Table 3.

### Table 3. SMAQMD Significance Thresholds

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<td>TAC Exposure Non-Cancer Hazard Index</td>
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Source: SMAQMD 2020c

<sup>1</sup> Thresholds for PM is zero unless all feasible best available control technology/best management practices (BACT/BMPs) are applied.

### Evaluation of Air Quality

a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Consistency with the air quality plan is determined by whether the project would hinder implementation of control measures identified in the air quality plan or would result in growth of population or employment that is not accounted for in local and regional planning. The SMAQMD’s Regional Ozone Plan and the SIP are the applicable air quality plans for the projects developed within Sacramento County.

The project would be consistent with the General Plan land use designation of Open Space, but the project would require a conditional use permit to install and operate a crematory in the Open Space and Conservation zoning designation of the project site. The project would not result in population growth in the City and employment growth would be limited to a few personnel to operate the crematory. Therefore, the project would be consistent with the local and regional growth assumptions used in developing the Regional Ozone Plan and the SIP. In addition, as described in impact discussion b), below, the project would not result in a cumulatively considerable increase of any criteria pollutant. Therefore, the project would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan and the impact would be less than significant.
b) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is in non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?

Construction (Short-Term) Emissions

Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation Incorporated. Construction of the project would involve the use of a crane for several hours to unload the chiller and crematory from the truck, and the use of a mini excavator or skid steer loader for one day and one truck load of concrete to install a small pad for the two propane tanks.

According to the SMAQMD’s CEQA Guide, projects that are 35 acres or less in size generally will not exceed the SMAQMD’s construction NOx or PM thresholds of significance. However, all construction projects regardless of the screening level are required to implement the SMAQMD’s Basic Construction Emission Control Practices (also known as Best Management Practices [BMP]; SMAQMD 2020b). The BMPs satisfy the requirements of SMAQMD’s Rule 403, Fugitive Dust, which requires every reasonable precaution not to cause or allow the emissions of fugitive dust from being airborne beyond the property line from which the emission originates. ROG emissions during construction are generally associated with the application of architectural coatings. The project does not propose any new structures and would not require substantial amounts of painting and would not result in significant emissions of ROGs. Therefore, construction of the project would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant and the impact would be less than significant with implementation of Mitigation Measure AIR-01.

Mitigation Measure AIR-01: Implement SMAQMD’s Basic Construction Emission Control Practices.

City approval of grading and/or improvement plans for the proposed project shall include the following SMAQMD Basic Construction Emission Control Practices:

- All exposed surfaces shall be watered two times daily. Exposed surfaces include, but are not limited to soil piles, graded areas, unpaved parking areas, staging areas, and access roads.

- Cover or maintain at least two feet of free board space on haul trucks transporting soil, sand, or other loose material on the site. Any haul trucks that would be traveling along freeways or major roadways shall be covered.

- Use wet power vacuum street sweepers to remove any visible trackout mud or dirt onto adjacent public roads at least once a day. Use of dry power sweeping is prohibited.

- Limit vehicle speeds on unpaved roads to 15 miles per hour.

- All roadways, driveways, sidewalks, parking lots shall be paved as soon as possible. In addition, building pads shall be laid as soon as possible after grading unless seeding or soil binders are used.

- Minimize idling time either by shutting equipment off when not in use or reducing the time of idling to 5 minutes (as required by the state airborne toxics control measure [Title 13, Section 2485 of the California Code of Regulations]). Provide clear signage that posts this requirement for workers at the entrances to the site.
• Maintain all construction equipment in proper working condition according to manufacturer’s specifications. The equipment shall be checked by a certified mechanic and determine to be running in proper condition before it is operated.

Operation (Long-Term) Emissions

Less than Significant. The project would result in long-term operational emissions from vehicles that drive to and from the project and from operation of the crematory.

Because there are no crematories currently operating in Folsom, demand for cremation services is filled by transporting the deceased to facilities outside of the City. Therefore, operations of the project would not result in new vehicle trips (nor the associated emissions in the region). Instead, the project would replace existing regional vehicle trips with shorter trips (and reduced associated emissions).

Operation of a propane-fired crematory would be considered a new stationary source of emissions. The project may be subject to SMAQMD’s Rule 201, General Permit Requirements, and Rule 202, New Source Review. The project would be required to implement best available control technology (BACT) for the minimization of emissions. BACT for crematories is incorporated into the product design in the form of controls which ensure maintenance of the correct temperatures and cycle times, and a secondary combustion chamber which ensures oxygenation and complete combustions of all fuels. As described in the Methods sections above, Criteria pollutant and precursor emissions for long-term operation of the proposed crematory were calculated using propane combustion emissions factors from AP-42 and crematory emissions factors provided by SMAQMD. The project’s calculated criteria and precursor operational emissions are compared to the SMAQMD thresholds in Table 4. A printout of the calculation sheets is included in Attachment A of the air quality report.

Table 4. Operational Criteria Pollutant and Precursor Emissions

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| Annual Emissions (tons per year) |
| ROG | 0.01 | None | No |
| NOX | 0.15 | None | No |
| CO | 0.11 | None | No |
| SOX | 0.05 | None | No |
| PM10 | 0.03 | 14.6 | No |
| PM2.5 | 0.03 | 15 | No |

Source: SMAQMD 2020b; SMAQMD 2020c

As shown in Table 4, the project’s operational emissions of criteria pollutants and precursors would not exceed the SMAQMD daily or annual thresholds. Therefore, the project’s operational emissions would
not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant and impacts would be less than significant.

c) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Crematories are a potential source of TACs as a result of trace metals and organic compounds that accumulate in the body and are released during combustion, and trace organic compounds that are formed in the combustion process. An HRA was conducted to determine potential community health risks from exposure to TACs emitted from the proposed crematory, as described in the Methods section above.

Health risks associated with cancer from development projects are estimated using the incremental excess cancer risk expressed as cancer cases per one million exposed individuals. The incremental excess cancer risk is an estimate of the chance a person exposed to specific sources of a TACs may have of developing cancer from that exposure beyond the individual’s risk of developing cancer from existing background levels of pollutants in the ambient air. For context, the average cancer risk from TACs in the ambient air for an individual living in an urban area of California is 830 in 1 million (CARB 2015). Cancer risk estimates do not mean, and should not be interpreted to mean, that a person will develop cancer from estimated exposures to toxic air pollutants.

Health risks associated with chronic and acute effects from a development project are quantified using the maximum hazard index. A hazard index is the potential exposure to a substance divided by the reference exposure level (the level at which no adverse effects are expected). A hazard index of less than one indicates no adverse health effects are expected from the potential exposure to the substance. The maximum hazard index is the sum of hazard indices for pollutants with non-cancer health effects that have the same or similar adverse health effects.

The modeled point of maximum impact for the project (geographic point outside of the project site with the highest estimated incremental cancer risk and maximum hazard index) would be a point near the project boundary approximately 96 feet southeast of the proposed crematory exhaust stack, at approximately Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinates Zone 10, 657982 meters east, 4281757 meters north. The maximum health risk exposure at this point would be a residential incremental cancer risk of 3.2 in 1 million and a residential non-cancer chronic hazard index of 0.09. This point of maximum impact is in an area zoned as Open Space Conservation District containing dredge tailings from past gold mining. No residents or workers are anticipated to be at the point of maximum impact for prolonged periods.

The maximum estimated community incremental excess cancer, chronic and acute health risks due to exposure to the project TAC emissions from long term operation of the proposed crematory are presented in Table 5. These estimates are conservative (health protective) and assume that the resident or worker is outdoors for the entire exposure period. The modeled locations of the Maximum Exposed Individual Resident (MEIR) and the point of maximum impact, along with the residential cancer risk isopleths (contours of equal risk), are shown in Figure 4, Cancer Risks. The complete HRA model output, including tables of health risks for all modeled discrete receptors and isopleth figures for incremental cancer risk, non-cancer chronic hazard index and acute hazard index are included as Attachment B to the air quality report.
As shown in Table 5, the maximum incremental increased cancer risks and maximum non-cancer chronic and acute hazard index due to exposure to TACs from long-term operation of the proposed crematory would not exceed the SMAQMD thresholds. Therefore, operation of the project would not result in the exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial TAC concentrations and the impact would be less than significant.

d) Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?

**Less Than Significant Impact** Diesel equipment could generate diesel exhaust odors during construction activities. The generation of odors during the construction period would be temporary, intermittent, and dispersed within a short distance from the active work area. Once operational, potential odors from human remains prior to cremation would be minimized either by immediately processing remains or by temporarily storing remains in the proposed refrigeration chiller. Operation of the crematory would not be a significant source odors or other emissions due to the BACT features of the crematory, including process temperature and cycle time controls, as well as secondary combustion chambers which ensure the complete combustion of all solids, liquids, and gaseous fuels. Therefore, the project would not result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people and the impact would be less than significant.

### Table 5. Maximum Exposed Individual Incremental Cancer Risk and Hazard Index

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Source: Lakes AERMOD View version 9.8.3 and CARB ADMRT version 19121. See Attachment B for model inputs, outputs, and risk isopleths.

MEI = Maximum Exposed Individual.
IV. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

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Would the project:

a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?

b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or US Fish and Wildlife Service?

c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?

d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?

e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?

f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?

Environmental Setting

The project site features open space habitat consisting of maintained grass with an open canopy of a variety of native and exotic tree species. The property that encompasses the project site features an open cemetery, lawns, associated landscaping, and the existing shed in which the crematory would be installed. Existing landscaping at the cemetery and around the shed consists of mature broad-leaved, coniferous, and palm trees. Lands to the south and west of the property contain native oak/gray pine woodland habitat typical of riparian communities in the Sierra Nevada foothills. To the west of the project site, the Jedediah Smith Memorial Trail and Lake Natoma run on a north/south axis. The open spaces to the south and west are a part of the American River Parkway operated by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.
There are no jurisdictional wetlands, riparian, or other special status habitats located on or immediately adjacent to the project site.

**Regulatory Framework Related to Biological Resources**

The City of Folsom regulates urban development through standard construction conditions and through mitigation, building, and construction requirements set forth in the Folsom Municipal Code. Required of all projects constructed throughout the City, compliance with the requirements of the City’s standard conditions and the provisions of the Municipal Code avoids or reduces many potential environmental effects. No Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan has been approved for the City of Folsom.

**State and Federal Endangered Species Acts**

Special status species are protected by state and federal laws. The California Endangered Species Act (CESA; California Fish and Game Code Sections 2050 to 2097) protects species listed as threatened and endangered under CESA from harm or harassment. This law is similar to the Federal Endangered Species Act of 1973 (FESA; 16 USC 1531 et seq.) which protects federally threatened or endangered species (50 CFR 17.11, and 17.12; listed species) from take. For both laws, take of the protected species may be allowed through consultation with and issuance of a permit by the agency with jurisdiction over the protected species.

**California Code of Regulations and California Fish and Game Code**

The official listing of endangered and threatened animals and plants is contained in the California Code of Regulations Title 14 § 670.5. A state candidate species is one that the California Fish and Game Code has formally noticed as being under review by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) for inclusion on the state list pursuant to Sections 2074.2 and 2075.5 of the California Fish and Game Code. CDFW also designates Species of Special Concern that are not currently listed or candidate species.

Legal protection is also provided for wildlife species in California that are identified as “fully protected animals.” These species are protected under Sections 3511 (birds), 4700 (mammals), 5050 (reptiles and amphibians), and 5515 (fishes) of the California Fish and Game Code. These statutes prohibit take or possession of fully protected species at any time. The CDFW is unable to authorize incidental take of fully protected species when activities are proposed in areas inhabited by these species. The CDFW has informed non-federal agencies and private parties that they must avoid take of any fully protected species. However, Senate Bill (SB) 618 (2011) allows the CDFW to issue permits authorizing the incidental take of fully protected species under the CESA, so long as any such take authorization is issued in conjunction with the approval of a Natural Community Conservation Plan that covers the fully protected species (California Fish and Game Code Section 2835).

**California Native Plant Protection Act**

The California Native Plant Protection Act of 1977 (California Fish and Game Code Sections 1900 to 1913) requires all state agencies to use their authority to implement programs to conserve endangered and otherwise rare species of native plants. Provisions of the act prohibit the taking of listed plants from the wild and require notification of CDFW at least 10 days in advance of any change in land use other than changing from one agricultural use to another, which allows CDFW to salvage listed plants that would otherwise be destroyed.
Nesting and Migratory Birds

Nesting birds are protected by state and federal laws. California Fish and Game Code (§3503, 3503.5, and 3800) prohibits the possession, incidental take, or needless destruction of any bird nests or eggs; Fish and Game Code §3511 designates certain bird species “fully protected” (including all raptors), making it unlawful to take, possess, or destroy these species except under issuance of a specific permit. Under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) of 1918 (16 USF §703-711), migratory bird species and their nests and eggs that are on the federal list (50 CFR §10.13) are protected from injury or death, and project-related disturbance must be reduced or eliminated during the nesting cycle.

City of Folsom Tree Preservation Ordinance

Requirements related to biological resources also include protection of existing trees and specifies measures necessary to protect both ornamental and native oak trees.

Chapter 12.16 of the Folsom Municipal Code, Tree Preservation, further regulates the cutting or modification of trees, including oaks and specified other trees; requires a Tree Permit prior to cutting or modification; and establishes mitigation requirements for cut or damaged trees (City of Folsom 2018b). The Tree Preservation Ordinance establishes policies, regulations, and standards necessary to ensure that the City will continue to preserve and maintain its “urban forests”. Anyone who wishes to perform “Regulated Activities” on “Protected Trees” must apply for a permit with the City. Regulated activities include:

- Removal of a Protected Tree
- Pruning/trimming of a Protected Tree
- Grading or trenching within the Protected zone

Protected trees include:

- Native oak trees with a diameter of 6 inches or larger at breast height for single trunk trees or 20 inches or larger at combined diameter at breast height of native oak multi-trunk trees
- Heritage oak trees are native oaks with a trunk diameter of 19 inches or larger at breast height or native oaks with a multi-trunk diameter of 38 inches or larger at breast height
- Landmark trees are a tree or group of trees determined by the City Council to be a significant community benefit
- Street trees within the tree maintenance strip or contained on the master tree list

Jurisdictional Waters

Any person, firm, or agency planning to alter or work in “waters of the U.S.,” including the discharge of dredged or fill material, must first obtain authorization from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (CWA). Section 401 requires an applicant for a federal license or permit that allows activities resulting in a discharge to waters of the U.S. to obtain a state certification that the discharge complies with other provisions of the CWA. The Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) administers the certification program in California. The RWQCB also regulates discharges of pollutants or dredged or fill material to waters of the State which are more broadly defined than waters of the U.S.
Biological Resources Present in the Project Site

Land Cover Type

The land cover type present on the project site is mostly maintained lawn with an open overstory of native and exotic trees. The land is within the Open Space/Public (OS/P) Primary Area of the Historic District with underlying zoning of Open Space and Conservation (OSC). Land cover adjacent to the project site is primarily developed to the north and east, oak/gray pine woodland to the south and west, along with the Jedediah Smith Memorial Trail and Lake Natoma that run on a north-south axis to the west of the project site.

Wildlife

The project site provides habitat for disturbance-tolerant wildlife species typical of urban and suburban areas. Species present likely include resident and migratory passerines, raptors, and waterfowl, along with small mammals and reptiles adapted to a moderate level of human activity.

Special-Status Species with the Potential to Occur

The regionally occurring special-status species in the Folsom area are typically associated with aquatic habitats including perennial waterbodies, wetlands, and/or vernal pools, or are associated with relatively undisturbed contiguous stands of oak or riparian woodland. The project site is developed and lacks any aquatic habitats. Species expected to use the site would be highly adaptable common species tolerant of disturbance and urban areas.

No special-status wildlife species are expected to occur on the project site with the possible exception of a special-status bird using the project site as a temporary stopover in transit to or from more suitable habitats.

Other Migratory Birds and Nesting Birds

While no special-status bird species are expected to nest on the project site, marginal habitat is present on the site for a variety of common bird species that nest in trees, on buildings, or on the ground in urban and suburban areas.

Protected Trees

No site grading or removal of any trees, protected or otherwise, is proposed.

Jurisdictional Waters

No potential waters of the U.S. and/or State are present on the project site.

Evaluation of Biological Resources

a) Have a substantial adverse effect, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species identified as a candidate, sensitive, or special status species in local or regional plans, policies or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?
Less Than Significant. No habitat modifications are proposed. No sensitive species are expected to use the site, although birds protected under the MBTA may use the vicinity of the site for roosting, foraging, and nesting. While the delivery and installation of the crematory would likely result in a small increase in vehicles and workers visiting the site, those increases are expected to be insignificant relative to the number of workers and members of the public who visit the cemetery each day. Birds roosting in nearby trees may be temporarily flushed by the arrival of workers or equipment, but any birds using the site are likely already accustomed to a moderate level of human activity. A less than significant impact would occur.

b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Wildlife or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?

No Impact. No external modifications to the shed are proposed beyond the addition of two 250-gallon propane tanks on a concrete pad along the edge of the building and the addition of the proposed stack to the roof. Those modifications would occur in an area already subject to vehicle and worker visits and maintenance activity and would not affect any native habitat in the vicinity of the project site. No modifications to any habitat, vegetation, or landscaping are proposed. Therefore, no impact would occur.

c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected wetlands (including, but not limited to, marsh, vernal pool, coastal wetlands, etc.) through direct removal, filling, hydrological interruption, or other means?

No Impact. No potential waters of the U.S. or State exist on the project site. No modification of any habitat is proposed. Therefore, there would be no impact.

d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?

No Impact. No external modifications are proposed except for the installation of two 250-gallon propane tanks on a concrete pad adjacent to a building already in use as a service shed. No modification of any landscaping, habitat, or vegetation is proposed as part of this project. There would be no impact.

e) Conflict with any local policies or ordinances protecting biological resources, such as a tree preservation policy or ordinance?

No Impact. No modifications to, or removals of, any habitat, vegetation, trees, or landscaping are proposed. Therefore, no impact would occur.

f) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?

No Impact. No Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan has been approved for the City of Folsom. Therefore, no impacts to an existing adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan would occur.
V. CULTURAL RESOURCES

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Would the project:

a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?

b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?

c) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of dedicated cemeteries?

The Cultural Resources section of this document is based upon the approach, methodology, and conclusions outlined in the project-specific Cultural Resources Inventory Report prepared by ECORP Consulting, Inc. (2020). All phases of the cultural resources investigation were conducted or supervised by Registered Professional Archaeologist (RPA) Lisa Westwood, who meets the Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualifications Standards for prehistoric and historical archaeology. Fieldwork and report contributions were conducted by Staff Archaeologist Laurel Zickler-Martin, RPA. Though the document in its entirety is incorporated by reference, the report itself is confidential and is not included as an appendix to this Initial Study.

Environmental Setting

To meet the regulatory requirements of this project, the cultural resources investigation was conducted pursuant to the provisions for the treatment of cultural resources contained within Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and in CEQA (Public Resources Code [PRC] § 21000 et seq.). The goal of NHPA and CEQA is to develop and maintain a high-quality environment that serves to identify the significant environmental effects of the actions of a proposed project and to either avoid or mitigate those significant effects where feasible. CEQA pertains to all proposed projects that require State or local government agency approval, including the enactment of zoning ordinances, the issuance of conditional use permits, and the approval of development project maps. The NHPA pertains to projects that entail some degree of federal funding or permit approval.

The NHPA and CEQA (Title 54 U.S. Code [USC] Section 100101 et seq. and Title 14, California Code of Regulations [CCR], Article 5, § 15064.5) apply to cultural resources of the historical and pre-contact periods. Any project with an effect that may cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a cultural resource, either directly or indirectly, is a project that may have a significant effect on the environment. As a result, such a project would require avoidance or mitigation of impacts to those affected resources. Significant cultural resources must meet at least one of four criteria that define eligibility for listing on either the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR) (PRC § 5024.1, Title 14 CCR, § 4852) or the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) (36 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] 60.4):
1) is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of California's history and cultural heritage;

2) is associated with the lives of persons important in our past;

3) embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, region, or method of construction, or represents the work of an important creative individual, or possesses high artistic values; or

4) has yielded, or may be likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Cultural resources eligible for listing on the NRHP are considered Historic Properties under 36 Code of Federal Regulations Part 800 and are automatically eligible for the CRHR. Resources listed on or eligible for inclusion in the CRHR are considered Historical Resources under CEQA.

The City of Folsom Standard Construction Specifications were developed and approved by the City of Folsom in May 2004 and updated in April 2015. They include Article 11 - Cultural Resources, which provides direction on actions to be taken in the event that materials are discovered that may ultimately be identified as a historical or archaeological resource, or human remains (City of Folsom 2015).

Ethnography

Following is a brief summary providing a context in which to understand the background and relevance of resources that may occur in the general project area. This section is not intended to be a comprehensive review of the current resources available; rather, it serves as a general overview. Further details can be found in ethnographic studies, mission records, and major published sources.

Regional Background

California has been occupied by humans for approximately the past 10,000 years. Early groups between 10,000 and 8,000 years before present (BP) were largely mobile, small in number, and relied upon big game hunting and a limited exploitation of small game and plant resources. Between 8,000 and 5,000 BP, groups become more sedentary and stable and shifted to a greater reliance on plant resources and milling seeds and other plant matter. After about 5,000 BP, groups became more specialized, population densities increased, and regional cultures and languages developed that would form the basis for the societies encountered at the time of first European contact. Current patterns of climate and vegetation communities were in place by approximately 3,000 BP.

Nisenan or Southern Maidu

Ethnographically, the project area is in the southwestern portion of the territory occupied by the Penutian-speaking Nisenan. Nisenan inhabited the drainages of the Yuba, Bear, and American rivers, and also the lower reaches of the Feather River, extending from the east banks of the Sacramento River on the west to the mid to high elevations of the western flank of the Sierra Nevada to the east (Wilson and Towne 1978). The territory extended from the area surrounding the current city of Oroville on the north to a few miles south of the American River in the south.

Individual and extended families “owned” hunting and gathering grounds, and trespassing was discouraged (Kroeber 1925; Wilson and Towne 1978). Residence was generally patrilocal, but couples had a choice in the matter (Wilson and Towne 1978). The basic social and economic group for the
Nisenan was the family or household unit. The nuclear and/or extended family formed a corporate unit. These basic units were combined into distinct village or hamlet groups, each largely composed of consanguine relatives (Beals 1933; Littlejohn 1928). Lineage groups were important political and economic units that combined to form tribelets, which were the largest sociopolitical unit identified for Nisenan (Wilson and Towne 1978). Each tribelet had a chief or headman who exercised political control over all villages within it. Villages typically included family dwellings, acorn granaries, a sweat house, and a dance house, owned by the chief. The role of chief seems to have been an advisory role with little direct authority (Beals 1933) but with the support of the shaman and the elders, the word of the chief became virtually the law (Wilson and Towne 1978). Tribelets assumed the name of the head village where the chief resided (Beals 1933; Levy 1978).

The office of tribelet chief was hereditary, with the chieftainship being the property of a single patrilineage within the tribelet. Tribelet populations of Valley Nisenan were as large as 500 persons (Wilson and Towne 1982), while foothill and mountain tribelets ranged between 100 and 300 persons (Littlejohn 1928; Levy 1978). Each tribelet owned a bounded tract of land and exercised control over its natural resources (Littlejohn 1928). Beals (1933) estimated that Nisenan tribelet territories averaged approximately 10 miles along each boundary, or 100 square miles, with foothill territories tending to encompass more area than mountain territories.

Nisenan practiced seasonal migration, a subsistence strategy involving moving from one area or elevation to another to harvest plants, fish, and game across contrasting ecosystems that were in relatively close proximity to each other. Valley Nisenan generally did not range beyond the valley and lower foothills, while foothill and mountain groups ranged across a more extensive area that included jointly shared territory whose entry was subject to traditional understandings of priority of ownership and current relations between the groups (d’Azevedo 1963).

Important food items included small and large game, fish, acorns, roots, pine nuts, and various hardwood nuts. Further resources were obtained from coastal groups and trans-Sierran groups through trade networks. Prescribed fire was used to maintain hunting and gathering grounds and to enhance opportunities to produce and gather acorns.

The Spanish arrived on the central California coast in 1769. Early contact with the first Spanish explorers to enter California was limited to the peripheries of Nisenan territory; they occurred mainly to the south on lands of the Miwok which had been explored by José Canizares in 1776, with only ephemeral explorations into Nisenan lands. There are no records of Nisenan groups being removed to the missions. They did, however, receive escapees from the missions, as well as pressure of displaced Miwok populations on their southern borders. The first known occupation by Euro-Americans was marked by American and Hudson Bay Company fur trappers in the late 1820s establishing camps in Nisenan territories. This occupation was thought to have been peaceful (Wilson and Towne 1978).

However, in the coming decades disease decimated the Nisenan of the Sacramento Valley, and many of the survivors retreated into the hills. Both they and mountain groups of Nisenan were met with persecution and attacks from settlers following the 1848 discovery of gold. The remaining Nisenan were relegated to working in agriculture, logging, ranching, or domestic pursuits (Wilson and Towne 1978). They and their descendants faced poor living and working conditions in the coming decades, although some customs and traditional practices have been preserved through the 21st century.
Regional History

The first European to visit California was Spanish maritime explorer Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo in 1542. He visited San Diego Bay, Catalina Island, San Pedro Bay, and the northern Channel Islands. The English adventurer Francis Drake visited the Miwok Native American group at Drake’s Bay or Bodega Bay in 1579.

Colonization of California began with the Spanish Portolá land expedition. The expedition, led by Captain Gaspar de Portolá of the Spanish army and Father Junipero Serra, a Franciscan missionary, explored the California coast from San Diego to the Monterey Bay Area in 1769. As a result of this expedition, Spanish missions to convert the native population, presidios (forts), and pueblos (towns) were established. The Franciscan missionary friars established 21 missions in Alta California (the area north of Baja California) beginning with Mission San Diego in 1769 and ending with the mission in Sonoma established in 1823. The purpose of the missions and presidios was to establish Spanish economic, military, political, and religious control over the Alta California territory. No missions were established in the Central Valley; the closest were in the Bay Area. The Spanish did not establish any settlements in the Central Valley.

After Mexico became independent from Spain in 1821, what is now California became the Mexican province of Alta California with its capital at Monterey. In 1827, American trapper Jedediah Smith traveled along the Sacramento River and into the San Joaquin Valley to meet other trappers of his company who were camped there, but no permanent settlements were established by the fur trappers (Thompson and West 1880).

The Mexican government closed the missions in the 1830s and former mission lands, as well as previously unoccupied areas, were granted to retired soldiers and other Mexican citizens for use as cattle ranches. Much of the land along the coast and in the interior valleys became part of Mexican land grants or “ranchos” (Robinson 1948).

John Sutter, a European immigrant, built a fort at the confluence of the Sacramento and American rivers in 1839 and petitioned the Mexican governor of Alta California for a land grant, which he received in 1841. Sutter built a flour mill and grew wheat near the fort (Bidwell 1971). Gold was discovered in the flume of Sutter’s lumber mill at Coloma on the South Fork of the American River in January 1848 (Marshall 1971). The discovery of gold initiated the 1849 California Gold Rush, which brought thousands of miners and settlers to the Sierra foothills east and southeast of Sacramento.

The American period began when the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo was signed between Mexico and the U.S. in 1848. As a result of the treaty, Alta California became part of the U.S. as the territory of California. Rapid population increase occasioned by the Gold Rush of 1849 allowed California to become a state in 1850. Most Mexican land grants were confirmed to the grantees by U.S. courts, but usually with more restricted boundaries.

Project Area History

The project area is located within the northern portion of the former 35,521-acre Rio de los Americanos land grant, which stretches from Folsom Lake in the northeast to a southwestern point nearly reaching modern-day Florin Road, approximately 3.3 miles south of central Rosemont and 3.8 miles east of Florin. In 1848, Captain Joseph Folsom pursued ownership of the Rio de los Americanos. He died in 1855, and the land grant was subsequently sold, piecemeal, for developments in agriculture, mining endeavors,
and quarrying of granite. Originally named Granite City, the city of Folsom was named for the captain in the year he died.

**City of Folsom History**

The first railroad in California was built from Sacramento to Folsom in 1856 by the Sacramento Valley Railroad Company (Robertson 1998). Other railroads soon connected Folsom with additional communities in the Sacramento Valley and surrounding foothills. Folsom became a transportation hub and supply center for gold miners.

Folsom State Prison opened in 1880 on 40 acres of land (California Department of Corrections [CDCR] 2010a). When it opened, it housed 44 inmates in the State’s first high-security prison. Although authorized by the State legislature in 1858, construction did not begin until 1878. A dam on the American River and a hydroelectric generation facility were built by inmates (CDCR 2010b). Electricity from the Folsom Powerhouse was transmitted 22 miles to Sacramento on July 13, 1895 (American Society of Mechanical Engineers 1976). Folsom was incorporated as a City in 1945. Folsom Dam was built in 1955, creating Folsom Lake. The dam was for flood control and to provide hydroelectricity. The largest employer in the area is Intel Corporation, which built a facility in the southern part of Folsom in 1984. Folsom continues to grow as an upscale community within the Sacramento Metropolitan Area.

**History of Folsom Mining**

The vicinity of the project area was used historically for mining, largely by the Natomas Company, who employed broad scale dredge mining in the first half of the twentieth century.

During the early mining period of the late 1840s and early 1850s, only the creeks and streams were mined, using pans, rockers, and hand-dug shallow diggings. Two historic gold mining districts were present in Sacramento County - the Folsom, or American River, District and the Michigan Bar District (Clark 2005). In 1853, the Natoma Water and Mining Company built a system of ditches, north of the current project area, to feed water from the American River and nearby creeks into the prairie and pasture lands that were known to have gold rich deposits. Most of the shallow gold deposits had been exhausted by 1865, and drift mining, which consisted of digging shafts down to depths of 20 feet and below, resumed until the late 1890s.

The project area itself is surrounded on the west and south by dredge mining tailings and the parcel is situated along a perennial waterway; these locations were appealing locations for miners to seek gold bearing deposits. All mining operations in the immediate vicinity of the project site had ceased by 1962.

**Chinese Influence on Folsom**

Chinese workers, some already present in California, greatly increased in numbers following the discovery of gold. Chinese miners often utilized their skills and diligence to successfully pursue mining claims that had been overlooked by white miners. Much of the money that was made from mining was sent in remittances to family members still in China. In 1878, there were over 3,500 Chinese mining in and around Folsom. When the gold began to run out, the Chinese worked at many other jobs, including such tasks as building the first Delta levees and constructing the transcontinental railroad. They also developed small businesses becoming laundrymen, cooks, storekeepers, farmers, and fishermen. Folsom once had a Chinese community numbering about 2,500 people, complete with businesses and community institutions. The Chung Wah Chinese Cemetery is listed on the National Register of Historic
History of Lakeside Memorial Lawn

Not much information in academic or gray literature exists on the history of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. The oldest section of the Cemetery evolved from the Negro Bar mining camp internments, with the first internment being in 1849 or shortly thereafter. The Cemetery is associated with the Miller Family. Jacob Miller, a German immigrant, opened a furniture and casket shop at 709 Sutter Street in 1869 and then transitioned the business into caskets and undertaking by the early 1880s. After his passing in 1905, ownership of the business transferred first to his son, Oscar Miller, then to longtime employee Robert Claney in 1962 (Scott 2020).

The cemetery represents a combination of several old Folsom cemeteries, including the Masonic, Odd Fellows, Jewish, Citizen’s, and Cook’s cemeteries. Lakeside Memorial Lawn is Folsom’s only active historic cemetery.

Cultural Resources Surveys

The Area of Potential Effects (APE) consists of the horizontal and vertical limits of a project and includes the area within which significant impacts or adverse effects to Historical Resources or Historic Properties could occur as a result of the project. The APE is defined for projects subject to regulations implementing Section 106 (federal law and regulations). For projects subject to the CEQA, the term project area is used rather than APE. For the purpose of this document, the terms “project area” and APE are interchangeable. When referring to the larger Lakeside Memorial Lawn facility, within which the project area is situated, the term property is used.

Records Searches

ECORP requested a records search for the property from the North Central Information Center (NCIC) of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) at California State University-Sacramento on October 30, 2020 (NCIC search #SAC-20-152). The purpose of the records search was to determine the extent of previous surveys within a 0.25-mile (400-meter) radius of the property, and whether previously documented pre-contact or historic archaeological sites, architectural resources, or traditional cultural properties exist within this area.

In addition to the official records and maps for archaeological sites and surveys in Sacramento County, the following historic references were also reviewed: Historic Property Data File for Sacramento County (OHP 2012); The National Register Information System (National Park Service [NPS] 2020); Office of Historic Preservation, California Historical Landmarks (OHP 2019); California Historical Landmarks (OHP 1996 and updates); California Points of Historical Interest (OHP 1992 and updates); Directory of Properties in the Historical Resources Inventory (1999); Caltrans Local Bridge Survey (Caltrans 2019); Caltrans State Bridge Survey (Caltrans 2018); and Historic Spots in California (Kyle 2002).

Other references examined include a RealQuest Property Search and historic General Land Office (GLO) land patent records (Bureau of Land Management [BLM] 2020). Several historic maps and historic and recent aerial photographs were also reviewed.

The results of the records search indicate that the property has been previously surveyed for cultural resources, but the survey was performed 25 years ago under obsolete standards, and long prior to the
consideration of the type of project activity being currently proposed. Therefore, a pedestrian survey of 
the property was conducted for the current project under current protocols.

**Native American Heritage Commission Sacred Lands File Coordination**

ECORP contacted the California Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) on October 26, 2020 to 
request a search of the Sacred Lands File for the property. This search was to determine whether or not 
Sacred Lands have been recorded by California Native American tribes within the property, because the 
Sacred Lands File is populated by members of the Native American community who have knowledge 
about the locations of tribal resources. In requesting a search of the Sacred Lands File, ECORP solicited 
information from the Native American community regarding tribal cultural resources, but the 
responsibility to formally consult with the Native American community lies exclusively with the federal 
and local agencies under applicable State and federal law. Results of the search were received on 
November 10, 2020. The search failed to reveal the presence of Native American cultural resources in 
the project area. For more information, including a description of official consultation with Native tribes, 
see Section 9.0.XVIII, Tribal Cultural Resources.

**Other Interested Party Consultation**

ECORP mailed letters to the Sacramento County Historical Society and the Folsom Historical Society on 
October 26, 2020 to solicit comments or obtain historical information that the repository might have 
regarding events, people, or resources of historical significance in the area. No responses to the letters 
sent to the Folsom Historical Society or the Sacramento County Historical Society have been received as 
of the preparation of this document.

**Pedestrian Survey**

On November 2, 2020, ECORP subjected the property to pedestrian survey under the guidance of the 
Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Identification of Historic Properties (NPS 1983) using 
transects spaced 15 meters apart. ECORP expended less than half of one person-day in the field. At that 
time, the ground surface was examined for indications of surface or subsurface cultural resources. The 
general morphological characteristics of the ground surface were inspected for indications of subsurface 
deposits that may be manifested on the surface, such as circular depressions or ditches. Whenever 
possible, the locations of subsurface exposures caused by such factors as rodent activity, water or soil 
erosion, or vegetation disturbances were examined for artifacts or for indications of buried deposits. No 
subsurface investigations or artifact collections were undertaken during the pedestrian survey. The 
project area was photographed, and survey coverage mapped using a handheld Global Positioning 
System receiver.

Ground visibility in the cemetery itself was very limited, as the entire area is either paved or covered in 
manicured lawn; the only visible soil was immediately surrounding headstones and in sparse patches at 
the edges of the lawn.

**Built Environment Resources**

ECORP researched the shed itself to determine if it is old enough to warrant further evaluation as a 
cultural resource by an architectural historian. According to modern aerial photographs of the property, 
the shed was installed sometime between May 1993 and August 1998. As further supported by field 
inspection, the shed is not old enough to be considered a potential cultural resource, and therefore, it
was not recorded or considered further. Should the proposed project include demolition or remodeling of the shed, such activity would not have an impact on a cultural resource.

**Evaluation of Cultural Resources**

a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource as defined in §15064.5?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Historical resources are outside of the site of the proposed project. No precontact or historic resources were discovered during the pedestrian survey conducted by ECORP. The existing shed is not old enough to warrant consideration as a potential historic or cultural resource. Therefore, project impacts to historic resources would be less than significant.

b) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an archaeological resource pursuant to §15064.5?

**Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation.** In accordance with CEQA Guidelines, ECORP has assessed the project area for the presence of archaeological resources. The project site itself is not in an area otherwise suspected to contain unknown archaeological resources. The site survey and surveys of written records, historical maps and photographs, and outreach to groups with knowledge of the area’s history all suggest that no known or previously unknown archaeological resources would be encountered or disturbed during construction. Ground disturbing activity would be limited to shallow ground clearing and site prep for the installation of a concrete pad to support two propane tanks. Still, the potential exists for inadvertent discovery of archaeological resources during project construction. The implementation of standard archaeological resource construction mitigation (Mitigation Measures CUL-01 and CUL-02) would ensure that potential impacts would be less than significant.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-01: Avoid impacts to previously unknown archaeological resources.**

Prior to the initiation of ground disturbing activity, a qualified professional archaeologist shall be retained to develop and deliver a contractor awareness training program to construction supervisors. The purpose of the training is to ensure that contractors are aware of the need to limit their activity, including equipment storage, staging, parking, and ground disturbance to only those locations identified as work areas on the official site plans.

Prior to the initiation of ground disturbing activity, a qualified professional archaeologist shall be retained to monitor the installation of temporary high-visibility exclusionary fencing along the toe of existing mine tailings features adjacent to the shed. The fencing shall remain in place until all project activities are completed. City inspectors shall include a verification of the fencing during all required inspections. In the event that exclusionary fencing has failed, the construction supervisor must re-install or repair the fence within 24 hours.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-02: Minimize impacts to any previously unknown archaeological resources discovered during construction.**

If subsurface deposits believed to be cultural in origin are discovered during construction, all work must halt within a 50-foot radius of the discovery. A qualified professional archaeologist, meeting the Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualification Standards for pre-contact and historic archaeologist, shall be retained to evaluate the significance of the find, and shall have the authority to
modify the no-work radius as appropriate, using professional judgment. The following notifications shall apply, depending on the nature of the find:

- If the professional archaeologist determines that the find does not represent a cultural resource, work may resume immediately, and no agency notifications are required.

- If the professional archaeologist determines that the find does represent a cultural resource from any time period or cultural affiliation, he or she shall immediately notify the City to consult on a finding of eligibility and implement appropriate treatment measures, if the find is determined to be a Historical Resource under CEQA, as defined in Section 15064.5(a) of the CEQA Guidelines or a historic property under Section 106 NHPA, if applicable. Work may not resume within the no-work radius until the City, through consultation as appropriate, determines that the site either: 1) is not an Historical Resource under CEQA, as defined in Section 15064.5(a) of the CEQA Guidelines; or 2) that the treatment measures have been completed to its satisfaction.

c) Disturb any human remains, including those interred outside of dedicated cemeteries?

**Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation.** Though the project site is located on the property of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery, no human remains are known to exist in the immediate vicinity of the project site. No evidence of potential human remains outside of marked graves was found in the project area during the cultural resources site survey by ECORP’s archaeologist. Ground disturbing activity would be limited to shallow ground clearing and site prep for the installation of a concrete pad to support two propane tanks. However, there is always the possibility that subsurface construction activities associated with the proposed project, specifically the preparation of the site for the small concrete pad, could potentially damage or destroy previously undiscovered human remains. This is a potentially significant impact. However, if human remains were discovered, implementation of Mitigation Measure CUL-03 would reduce this potential impact to a less than significant level.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-03: Avoid and minimize impacts related to accidental discovery of human remains.**

If subsurface deposits believed to be cultural or human in origin are discovered during construction, all work must halt within a 50-foot radius of the discovery. A qualified professional archaeologist, meeting the Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualification Standards for pre-contact and historic archaeologist, shall be retained to evaluate the significance of the find, and shall have the authority to modify the no-work radius as appropriate, using professional judgment. The following notifications shall apply, depending on the nature of the find:

- If the find includes human remains, or remains that are potentially human, he or she shall ensure reasonable protection measures are taken to protect the discovery from disturbance (AB 2641). The archaeologist shall notify the Sacramento County Coroner (per §7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code). The provisions of §7050.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, §5097.98 of the California PRC, and Assembly Bill 2641 will be implemented. If the Coroner determines the remains are Native American and not the result of a crime scene, the Coroner will notify the NAHC, which then will designate a Native American Most Likely Descendant (MLD) for the project (§5097.98 of the PRC). The designated MLD will have 48 hours from the time access to the property is granted to make recommendations concerning treatment of the remains. If the landowner does not agree with the recommendations of the MLD, the NAHC can mediate
§5097.94 of the PRC). If no agreement is reached, the landowner must rebury the remains where they will not be further disturbed (§5097.98 of the PRC). This will also include either recording the site with the NAHC or the appropriate Information Center; using an open space or conservation zoning designation or easement; or recording a reinternment document with the county in which the property is located (AB 2641). If the Coroner determines that the remains are human but are not Native American, then the Coroner will direct subsequent steps to address the discovery. Work may not resume within the no-work radius until the City, through consultation as appropriate, determines that the treatment measures have been completed to its satisfaction.
VI. ENERGY

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Environmental Setting

Electricity

California’s electricity needs are satisfied by a variety of entities, including investor-owned utilities, publicly owned utilities, electric service providers and community choice aggregators. In 2019, the California power mix totaled 277,704 gigawatt hours (GWh). In-state generation accounted for 200,475 GWh, or 72 percent, of the state’s power mix. The remaining electricity came from out-of-state imports (CEC 2020a). Table 6 provides a summary of California’s electricity sources as of 2019.

Table 6. California Electricity Sources 2019

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Source: CEC 2020a

Natural Gas

Natural gas provides the largest portion of the total in-state capacity and electricity generation in California, with nearly 45 percent of the natural gas burned in California used for electricity generation in a typical year. Much of the remainder was consumed in the residential, industrial, and commercial sectors for uses such as cooking, space heating, and as an alternative transportation fuel. In 2012, total natural gas demand in California for industrial, residential, commercial, and electric power generation was 2,313 billion cubic feet per year (bcf/year), up from 2,196 bcf/year in 2010 (CEC 2020b).
Transportation Fuels

Transportation accounts for a major portion of California’s energy budget. Automobiles and trucks consume gasoline and diesel fuel, which are nonrenewable energy products derived from crude oil. Gasoline is the most used transportation fuel in California, with 97 percent of all gasoline being consumed by light-duty cars, pickup trucks, and sport utility vehicles (SUV). In 2015, 15.1 billion gallons of gasoline were sold in California (CEC 2020c). Diesel fuel is the second most consumed fuel in California, used by heavy-duty trucks, delivery vehicles, buses, trains, ships, boats, and farm and construction equipment. In 2015, 4.2 billion gallons of diesel were sold in California (CEC 2020d).

Proposed Project

Potential energy use of the proposed crematory and cooler were estimated for the proposed project using assumptions provided by the manufacturer and the applicant. During projected operation, the crematory would use approximately 900.00 MMBTU (million British Thermal Units) of energy and 9,835.9 gallons of propane per year. The cooler would use approximately 15,000 kWhr (kilowatt hour) of electricity or 51.18 MMBTU of energy per year. The total energy use of the proposed crematory and cooler would be approximately 951 MMBTU per year. Additional minor increases in energy consumption may result from added time which would require lighting within and around the shed to accommodate any workers while operating the facility, and a minor increase in gasoline and/or diesel usage as remains are brought to/from the crematory and as workers drive to and from the site.

Regulatory Framework

State Regulations

California Building Standards Code (California Code of Regulations, Title 24)

The 2019 Building Energy Efficiency Standards, comprising Title 24, Parts 1 and 6, of the California Code of Regulations, is mandatory statewide. Local government agencies may adopt and enforce energy efficiency standards for newly constructed buildings, additions, alterations, and repairs provided the California Energy Commission finds that the standards will require buildings to consume no more energy than permitted by Title 24, Part 6. Such local standards may include adopting the requirements of Title 24, Part 6 before their effective date, requiring additional energy conservation measures, or setting stricter energy budgets.

Local Regulations

City of Folsom General Plan

The City of Folsom 2035 General Plan Utilities Element provides the following goals and policies relative to energy.

Goal PFS 8.1: Provide for the energy and telecommunications needs of Folsom and decrease the dependence on nonrenewable energy sources through energy conservation, efficiency, and renewable resource strategies now and in the future.
• PFS 8.1.3 Renewable Energy: Promote efforts to increase the use of renewable energy resources such as wind, solar, hydropower, and biomass both in the community and in City operations, where feasible.

• PFS 8.1.4 Regional Energy Conservation: Partner with neighboring jurisdictions and local energy utilities (e.g., SMUD and PG&E) to develop, maintain, and implement energy conservation programs.

• PFS 8.1.5 PACE Program: Assist in implementing the Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) financing programs to provide residential and commercial property owners with energy efficiency and renewable energy financing opportunities.

• PFS 8.1.6 Energy-Efficient Lighting: Reduce the energy required to light Folsom’s parks and public facilities by employing energy-efficient lighting technology.

• PFS 8.1.7 Energy Conservation in City Operations: Strive to achieve an overall 20 percent reduction in City facility energy usage by continuing to install energy efficiency upgrades in City facilities (buildings, parks, and infrastructure) and implementing programs to measure and track energy usage in City facilities.

Folsom Municipal Code


Evaluation of Energy

a) Result in potentially significant environmental impact due to wasteful, inefficient, or unnecessary consumption of energy resources, during project construction or operation?

Less Than Significant Impact. Construction of the project would involve the use of a crane for several hours to unload the chiller and crematory from the truck, and the use of a mini excavator or skid steer loader for a day and one truck load of concrete to install a small pad for the two propane tanks. Construction equipment would be relatively small, given the small size of the project, and construction would be of short duration. Construction equipment would require gasoline, diesel, and potentially other fuel sources to operate. Additionally, a small number of workers would need to drive to and from the site.

Construction of the project would incorporate on-site energy conservation features. The following practices would be implemented during project construction to reduce waste and energy consumption:

• Follow maintenance schedules to maintain equipment in optimal working order and rated energy efficiency, which would include, but not be limited to, regular replacement of filters, cleaning of compressor coils, burner tune-ups, lubrication of pumps and motors, proper vehicle maintenance, etc.;

• Reduce on-site vehicle idling; and,
In accordance with CALGreen criteria as well as state and local laws, at least 50 percent of on-site construction waste and ongoing operational waste would be diverted from landfills through reuse and recycling. The project’s construction-related energy usage would not represent a significant demand on energy resources because it is temporary in nature and small in scale. Therefore, the project’s construction-phase energy impacts would be less than significant.

Operation of the proposed project would increase the consumption of energy, primarily related to propane used to power the crematory and to a lesser extent from electricity used to power the cooler. During projected operation, the crematory would use approximately 900.00 MMBTU of energy and 9,835.9 gallons of propane per year. The cooler would use approximately 15,000 kWhr of electricity or 51.18 MMBTU of energy per year. The total energy use of the proposed crematory and cooler would be approximately 951 MMBTU per year. Additional minor increases in energy would include electricity to light the space when workers are present and a minor increase in worker vehicle trips to and from the site.

Additionally, adequate energy facilities are already located within and adjacent to the site serving the existing uses. The cemetery is currently served with an electricity supply from the Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD). Electrical connections already exist for the shed, and may be upgraded as needed as part of the proposed project. Thus, the incremental increase associated with implementation of the project would not require the construction of new energy facilities or sources of energy that would not otherwise be needed to serve the region. Therefore, energy impacts from project operation would be less than significant.

b) Conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy or energy efficiency?

No Impact. The proposed project would not conflict with or obstruct a state or local plan for renewable energy efficiency. The project would conform to all applicable state, federal, and local laws and codes. Therefore, the proposed project would have no impact.
## VII. GEOFYSICS AND SOILS

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Would the project:

a) Directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:

   i. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.

   | ☐ | ☐ | ■ | ☐ |

   ii. Strong seismic ground shaking?

   | ☐ | ☐ | ■ | ☐ |

   iii. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?

   | ☐ | ☐ | ■ | ☐ |

   iv. Landslides?

   | ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ■ |

b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?

| ☐ | ☐ | ■ | ☐ |

c) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse?

| ☐ | ☐ | ■ | ☐ |

d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial direct and indirect risks to life or property?

| ☐ | ☐ | ■ | ☐ |

e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?

| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ■ |

f) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?

| ☐ | ☐ | ☐ | ■ |

### Environmental Setting

#### Geology

Information in the “Geology” subsection is derived from County of Sacramento’s General Plan Safety Element (2017) unless noted otherwise. The project site is located near the border of the Great Valley and the Sierra Nevada Geomorphic Provinces. Specifically, the site is located within the Alluvial Plain Geomorphic Subunit of the Great Valley Province, just southwest of the boundary marking the start of the Sierra Nevada Province. Quaternary deposits of up to two million years old make up the soil of this subunit, which overlies layers of clay hardpans.
The project site lays within a seismically active region, as California has numerous faults that are considered active. An active fault is defined by the State Mining and Geology Board as one that has had surface displacement within Holocene time (about the last 11,000 years). Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zones are regulatory zones, delineated by the State Geologist, within which site-specific geologic studies are required to identify and avoid fault rupture hazards prior to subdivision of land and/or construction of most structures for human occupancy. There are no Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zones within Sacramento County. The nearest faults of any type to the project site are part of the Foothills Fault Zone’s North Central Reach Section, and range from about 1.6 million to 130,000 years in age. (USGS 2014). They run north/northwest from Shingle Springs (El Dorado County) to Auburn (Placer County) and continue northward. They are not likely to be active. The nearest faults with recent earthquake activity, which are the most likely to cause shaking felt in the project area, are the Green Valley Fault Zone and the Greenville Fault Zone. Some faults in this area have experienced displacement within the past 200 years and are likely to be active; the nearest faults in these zones run north/northwest from Mt. Diablo to the southern Napa Valley (CGS 2020) and are located approximately 60 miles to the southwest of the project site.

Soils

The soil map unit for the project site is 245-Xerorthents, dredge tailings, 2 to 50 percent slopes. (NRCS 2020).

City Regulation of Geology and Soils

The City of Folsom regulates the effects of soils and geological constraints on urban development primarily through enforcement of the California Building Code, which requires the implementation of engineering solutions for constraints to urban development posed by slopes, soils, and geology. The City has additionally adopted a Grading Code (Folsom Municipal Code Section 14.29) that regulates grading citywide to control erosion, storm water drainage, revegetation, and ground movement.

Evaluation of Geology and Soils

a) Directly or indirectly cause potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:

i. Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.

Less Than Significant Impact. There are no known active faults crossing the property, and the project site is not located within an Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zone. Therefore, ground rupture is unlikely at the subject property, and impacts would be less than significant.

ii. Strong seismic ground shaking?

Less Than Significant Impact. Though the project site is in an area of relatively low risk from most earthquakes, an earthquake of moderate to high magnitude generated within the region could still cause considerable ground shaking at the site (County of Sacramento 2017). To minimize potential ground shaking effects, crematory installation should be done in accordance with any relevant
provisions of the 2019 California Building Code, along with all safety recommendations from the manufacturer. Conformance to the current building code recommendations would minimize potential ground shaking impacts to a less-than-significant level.

iii. Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Soils most susceptible to liquefaction are clean, loose, saturated, uniformly graded, fine-grained sands. Soils at the project site are comprised of dredge tailings and other fill material; thus the soil is likely not loose nor uniformly graded. Further, only a small amount of superficial ground disturbance is proposed. Any impacts would be less than significant.

iv. Landslides?

**No impact.** The project site is generally flat, ranging in elevation from approximately 175 to 185 feet. The project is not located adjacent to any steep or unstable areas. No impact would occur.

b) Result in substantial soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The only ground-disturbing work undertaken during this project would be the installation of two 250-gallon propane tanks and a concrete pad that would cover approximately 38.3 square feet of ground. All other work would take place inside an existing shed. Given the small area of soil disturbed, the short duration of the work to install the tanks, and the fact that the applicant is required to ensure that any relevant BMPs for soil conservation are adhered to, any impact is expected to be less than significant.

c) Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable, or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on- or off-site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction, or collapse?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The site is not unstable and the project area is nearly flat. Though the project is located in an area that has a medium to high potential for subsidence (County of Sacramento 2017), soil at the project site is generally comprised of dredge tailings and other fill material (NRCS 2020). Given that, the risk for future subsidence at the project site is low. Further, the project would not disturb significant areas of ground (disturbance would be limited to approximately 38.3 square feet), would take place mostly within an existing structure, and would not add an excessive amount of weight to the site. Therefore, potential impacts from project implementation would be less than significant.

d) Be located on expansive soil, as defined in Table 18-1-B of the Uniform Building Code (1994), creating substantial direct or indirect risks to life or property?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** New ground disturbing activity and construction are not proposed as part of the project, with the exception of the construction of an approximately 38.3 square foot concrete pad to support two 250-gallon propane tanks. All other activity would take place within an existing shed. Given that no issues with expansive soils have been identified regarding the existing shed or its immediate surroundings, and that new foundation construction as part of the proposed project would be limited to a small concrete pad, any impacts would be less than significant.
e) Have soils incapable of adequately supporting the use of septic tanks or alternative waste water disposal systems where sewers are not available for the disposal of waste water?

**No Impact.** Though no sanitary sewer line currently exists, there is no demand for one on the project site. No demand for the disposal of septic waste would be created as a result of this project. As no septic systems exist or are proposed, no impact would occur.

f) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique paleontological resource or site or unique geologic feature?

**No Impact.** The proposed project area is not located in an area that is considered likely to have paleontological resources present. Paleontological resources (fossils) are the remains and/or traces of prehistoric life. Fossils are typically preserved in layered sedimentary rocks, and the distribution of fossils is a result of the sedimentary history of the geologic units within which they occur. Vertebrate fossils have been documented in nine different locations within Sacramento County. The finds encompass several hundred specimens, all within the Riverbank Formation. Because of the large number of vertebrate fossils that have been recovered from the Riverbank Formation from Sacramento County and throughout the Central Valley, this formation is considered to have high sensitivity under criteria established by the Society of Vertebrate Paleontology (1995). Likewise, the Mehrten and Ione formations located within the 2035 Plan Evaluation Area may be considered to be sensitive for the presence of paleontological resources. Other geologic formations found in the 2035 Folsom Plan Evaluation Area, such as the Laguna Formation, mine/dredge tailings, and Holocene alluvium along local drainage features, would not be expected to contain fossils. The only type of soil found at the site is composed of dredge tailings and other urban fill material, and would not be expected to contain fossils. Further, very little ground disturbance is proposed.

Fossils of plants, animals, or other organisms of paleontological significance have not been discovered within the project area, nor has the project area been identified as being within any of the areas mentioned above where such discoveries are likely. Therefore, the project would not result in impacts to paleontological resources or unique geologic features.
VIII. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

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Would the project:

a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment? ☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases? ☐ ☐ ☒ ☐

The Greenhouse Gas Emissions section of this document is based upon the approach, methodology, results, and conclusions outlined in the project-specific Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Assessment prepared by HELIX Environmental Planning (HELIX 2020). The Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Assessment is included as Appendix B.

Environmental Setting

Global climate change refers to changes in average climatic conditions on Earth including temperature, wind patterns, precipitation, and storms. Global temperatures are moderated by atmospheric gases. These gases are commonly referred to as greenhouse gasses (GHG) because they function like a greenhouse by letting sunlight in but preventing heat from escaping, thus warming the Earth’s atmosphere.

GHGs are emitted by natural processes and human (anthropogenic) activities. Anthropogenic GHG emissions are primarily associated with: the burning of fossil fuels during motorized transport; electricity generation; natural gas consumption; industrial activity; manufacturing; and other activities such as deforestation, agricultural activity, and solid waste decomposition.

The GHGs defined under California’s Assembly Bill (AB) 32, described below, include carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), hydrofluorocarbons (HFC), perfluorocarbons (PFC), and sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆). Each GHG differs in its ability to absorb heat in the atmosphere based on the lifetime, or persistence, of the gas molecule in the atmosphere. Estimates of GHG emissions are commonly presented in carbon dioxide equivalents (CO₂e), which weigh each gas by its global warming potential (GWP). Expressing GHG emissions in CO₂e takes the contribution of all GHG emissions to the greenhouse effect and converts them to a single unit equivalent to the effect that would occur if only CO₂ were being emitted. GHG emissions quantities in this analysis are presented in metric tons (MT) of CO₂e. For consistency with United Nations Standards, modeling and reporting of GHGs in California and the U.S. use the GWPs defined in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change’s (IPCC) Fourth Assessment Report (IPCC 2007), as shown in Table 7.
### Table 7. Global Warming Potential and Atmospheric Lifetimes

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<th>Greenhouse Gas</th>
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<td>Carbon Dioxide (CO₂)</td>
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<td>Methane (CH₄)</td>
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<td>Nitrous Oxide (N₂O)</td>
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<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>14</td>
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<td>PFC: Tetrafluoromethane (CF₄)</td>
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<td>PFC: Hexafluoroethane (C₂F₆)</td>
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<td>Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF₆)</td>
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HFC: hydrofluorocarbon; PFC: perfluorocarbon

### Regulatory Setting

The primary GHG reduction legislation and plans (applicable to the project) at the State, regional, and local levels are described below. Implementation of California’s GHG reduction mandates is primarily under the authority of the California Air Resources Board (CARB) at the state level, SMAQMD and the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) at the regional level, and the City at the local level.

**Executive Order S-3-05**

On June 1, 2005, Executive Order (EO) S-3-05 proclaimed that California is vulnerable to climate change impacts. It declared that increased temperatures could reduce snowpack in the Sierra Nevada, further exacerbate California’s air quality problems, and potentially cause a rise in sea levels. To avoid or reduce climate change impacts, EO S-3-05 calls for a reduction in GHG emissions to the year 2000 level by 2010, to year 1990 levels by 2020, and to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. Executive Orders are not laws and can only provide the governor’s direction to state agencies to act within their authority to reinforce existing laws.

**Assembly Bill 32 – Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006**

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, widely known as AB 32, requires that CARB develop and enforce regulations for the reporting and verification of statewide GHG emissions. CARB is directed by AB 32 to set a GHG emission limit, based on 1990 levels, to be achieved by 2020. The bill requires CARB to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective GHG emission reductions.

**Executive Order B-30-15**

On April 29, 2015, EO B-30-15 established a California GHG emission reduction target of 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030. The EO aligns California’s GHG emission reduction targets with those of leading international governments, including the 28 nation European Union. California is on track to meet or exceed the target of reducing GHGs emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, as established in AB 32. California’s new emission reduction target of 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 will make it possible to reach the goal established by EO S-3-05 of reducing emissions 80 percent under 1990 levels by 2050.
**Senate Bill 32**

Signed into law by Governor Brown on September 8, 2016, Senate Bill (SB) 32 (Amendments to the California Global Warming Solutions Action of 2006) extends California’s GHG reduction programs beyond 2020. SB 32 amended the Health and Safety Code to include Section 38566, which contains language to authorize CARB to achieve a statewide GHG emission reduction of at least 40 percent below 1990 levels by no later than December 31, 2030. SB 32 codified the targets established by EO B-30-15 for 2030, which set the next interim step in the State’s continuing efforts to pursue the long-term target expressed in EO B-30-15 of 80 percent below 1990 emissions levels by 2050.

**California Air Resources Board**

On December 11, 2008, the CARB adopted the Climate Change Scoping Plan (Scoping Plan) as directed by AB 32. The Scoping Plan proposes a set of actions designed to reduce overall GHG emissions in California to the levels required by AB 32. Measures applicable to development projects include those related to energy-efficiency building and appliance standards, the use of renewable sources for electricity generation, regional transportation targets, and green building strategy. Relative to transportation, the Scoping Plan includes nine measures or recommended actions related to reducing vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and vehicle GHGs through fuel and efficiency measures. These measures would be implemented statewide rather than on a project-by-project basis (CARB 2008).

In response to EO B-30-15 and SB 32, all state agencies with jurisdiction over sources of GHG emissions were directed to implement measures to achieve reductions of GHG emissions to meet the 2030 and 2050 targets. The mid-term target is critical to help frame the suite of policy measures, regulations, planning efforts, and investments in clean technologies and infrastructure needed to continue driving down emissions (CARB 2014). In December 2017, CARB adopted the 2017 Climate Change Scoping Plan Update, the Strategy for Achieving California’s 2030 Greenhouse Gas Target, to reflect the 2030 target set by EO B 30 15 and codified by SB 32 (CARB 2017).

**Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District**

The SMAQMD provides direction and recommendations for the analysis of GHG impacts of a project and approach to mitigation measures in its CEQA Air Quality Guidelines (SMAQMD 2020a).

**Sacramento Area Council of Governments**

As required by the Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008 (SB 375), SACOG has developed the 2020 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy. This plan seeks to reduce GHG and other mobile source emissions through coordinated transportation and land use planning to reduce VMT.

**City of Folsom**

As part of the 2035 General Plan, the City of Folsom prepared an integrated Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Strategy (GHG Strategy) to identify and reduce current and future community GHG emissions and those associated with the City’s municipal operations. Adopted on August 28, 2018, the GHG Strategy also serves as the City’s “plan for the reduction of greenhouse gases”, per Section 15183.5 of the CEQA Guidelines, which provides the opportunity for tiering and streamlining of project-level emissions for certain types of discretionary projects subject to CEQA review that are consistent with the
General Plan. The GHG Strategy includes goals and strategies to reduce community and municipal GHG emissions, compared to the 2005 baseline year, by 15 percent in 2020, 51 percent in 2035, and 80 percent in 2050 (City of Folsom 2018a; City of Folsom 2018c).

**Significance Criteria**

The following potential air quality impacts are based on Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines, a significant impact is identified if the project would result in any of the following:

a) *Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?*

b) *Conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?*

In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Sections 15064(h)(3), 15130(d), and 15183(b), a project’s incremental contribution to a cumulative GHG emissions effect may be determined not to be cumulatively considerable if it complies with the requirements of a qualified plan for the reduction of greenhouse gases. The City General Plan Policy NCR 3.2.8 provides criteria for project-level streamlining and tiering (City of Folsom 2018a):

Projects subject to environmental review under CEQA may be eligible for tiering and streamlining the analysis of GHG emissions, provided they are consistent with the GHG reduction measures included in the GHG Strategy contained in the General Plan and EIR. The City may review such projects to determine whether the following criteria are met:

- Proposed project is consistent with the current general plan land use designation for the project site;
- Proposed project incorporates all applicable GHG reduction measures (as documented in the Climate Change Technical Appendix to the General Plan EIR) as mitigation measures in the CEQA document prepared for the project; and,
- Proposed project clearly demonstrates the method, timing and process for which the project will comply with applicable GHG reduction measures and/or conditions of approval, (e.g., using a CAP/GHG reduction measures consistency checklist, mitigation monitoring and reporting plan, or other mechanism for monitoring and enforcement as appropriate).

**Evaluation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions**

a) *Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?*

**Less Than Significant Impact.** To determine consistency with the City’s GHG Strategy, the criteria outlined in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Strategy Consistency Checklist are shown and discussed in Table 8.
### Table 8. GHG Reduction Strategy Consistency Checklist

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| **Part 1: Land Use Consistency**                                                 |              | **A. The proposed project is consistent with the City's 2035 General Plan land use and zoning designations. If “Yes,” proceed to Part 2 of the Checklist.**  
The project would be located within the footprint of an existing building in an existing cemetery in an area designated Open Space in the General Plan and zoned Open Space/Public (OS/P) Primary Area of the Historic District with underlying zoning of Open Space and Conservation District (OSC). According to the City Zoning Code Chapter 17.52.550 and Chapter 17.39, a cemetery is an allowed use in both the OS/P Primary Area and OSC zone with a use permit. While the project may require a new conditional use permit, the project would not require a General Plan amendment or rezone. The project would be consistent with existing project site use and land use designation the General Plan.                                                                                           |
| **Part 2: GHG Reduction Measures Consistency**                                 |              | **E-1: Improve Building Energy Efficiency in New Development**  
The project does not propose new buildings or substantial modifications to existing buildings.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| **E-2: Water Heater Replacement in Existing Residential Development**           | Not Applicable | The project is not an existing residential development.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| **E-3: Improve Building Energy Efficiency in Existing Development**              | Not Applicable | The project’s proposed equipment would be installed within an existing metal shed and would not include any conditioned or occupied building space.                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| **E-4: Increase Use of Renewable Energy in Existing Development**               | Not Applicable | The project’s proposed equipment would be installed within an existing metal shed. No expansion or retrofit of existing buildings are proposed.                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| **T-1: Reduce VMT Through Mixed and High-Density Land Use**                    | Not Applicable | The project does not propose, and the project site open space land use designation and zoning does not permit, high density development and mixed uses.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| **T-2: Improve Streets and Intersections for Multi-Modal Use and Access**      | Not Applicable | The project does not include construction of new streets or improvement to existing streets.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| **T-3: Adopt Citywide TDM Program**                                            | Not Applicable | The project is not a residential, office, commercial retail, public facility or school development. The project would not include new parking spaces.                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| **T-5: Reduce Minimum Parking Standards**                                      | Not Applicable | The project would not include new parking spaces.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| **T-6: Require the Use of High-Performance Renewable Diesel in Construction Equipment** | Not Applicable | The project would require minimal off-road diesel construction equipment. At most, a small excavator or skid steer loader may be used for a few hours to prepare an area for a small concrete pad.                                                                                                                                 |
| **T-8: Install Electric Vehicle Charging Stations**                            | Not Applicable | The project is not a residential development, does not propose new parking spaces, and existing parking spaces at the project building are less than 10.                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| **SW-1: Increase Solid Waste Diversion**                                      | Not Applicable | The project would involve minimal construction activity and would not result in substantial construction waste which could be diverted.                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
As presented in Table 8, the project would be consistent with the project site general plan land use designation and none of the GHG reduction measures listed in the GHG Strategy are applicable to the project. Therefore, the project would be consistent with the City’s GHG Strategy and the project would not generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment. The impact would be less than significant.

b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** As discussed in criterion a), above, the project would be consistent with the City’s integrated General Plan and GHG Strategy. The GHG strategy was developed to meet the City’s GHG reduction targets which were formulated to meet the statewide GHG mandates of AB 32 and SB 32. Therefore, the project would not conflict with an applicable plan adopted for the purposes of reducing GHG emissions and the impact would be less than significant.
IX. HAZARDS AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

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<td>b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?</td>
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<td>c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area?</td>
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<td>f) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?</td>
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<td>g) Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires?</td>
<td>No</td>
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Environmental Setting

The project property is currently developed as a cemetery; the project site is within and immediately adjacent to an existing maintenance shed. The project site has no known past land uses associated with potentially hazardous sites.

The proposed project would include the installation of two 250-gallon propane tanks immediately adjacent to the existing shed. Propane is considered a hazardous material in that is extremely flammable and may cause burns, irritations, and/or asphyxiation if humans come into direct contact with significant quantities of it (USDOT 2016). Federal and state laws include provisions for the safe handling of hazardous substances. The federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) administers requirements to ensure worker safety. Construction activity must also be in compliance with California OSHA regulations (Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970).
Nearby schools include the Golden Valley Charter River School (approximately 2.7 miles west of the project site\(^2\)), Folsom Montessori School (0.6 miles east), Sutter Middle School (1.0 mile east), Folsom Lake High School (0.9 miles east) and Folsom Middle School (2.5 miles east).

The following databases were reviewed for the project site and surrounding area to identify potential hazardous contamination sites: the USEPA’s Envirofacts online database (USEPA 2020a); California Department of Toxic Substance Control’s EnviroStor online database (DTSC 2020); and the USEPA’s Superfund National Priorities List (USEPA 2020c). Based on the results of the databases reviewed, the project site is not listed as a hazardous waste site. No Superfund sites are located on or near the project site. According to the EnviroStor database, there are two potentially hazardous sites near the project site:

- City of Folsom Corporate Yard Landfill. Located approximately 0.3 miles north of the project site. Underwent voluntary cleanup. No further action required.
- A&S Custom Plating Co. Located 0.6 miles northeast of the project site. Underwent evaluation. No further action required.

No private or public airports are located within the City of Folsom. The nearest public airfield is Mather Airport, located approximately 11.7 miles southwest of the project site. Cameron Airpark is a public use airport located approximately 13 miles northeast of the project site, and McClellan Airport is a privately-owned public use airport located approximately 17 miles west of the project site.

The City of Folsom Fire Department provides fire protection services. There are four fire stations providing fire/rescue and emergency medical services within the City of Folsom with a fifth station planned near the eastern city limits. Station 35 is the nearest station to the project site and is located at 535 Glenn Drive, approximately 1.5 miles east of the project site. Station 36 is second nearest to the project site and is located at 9700 Oak Avenue, approximately 2.3 miles north of the project site. The Fire Department responds to over 6,000 requests for service annually with an average of 16.4 per day (City of Folsom 2020). The project site is easily accessible to fire service personnel. Consistent with the City’s Multi-Hazard Emergency Management Plan, the City of Folsom maintains pre-designated emergency evacuation routes along major streets and thoroughfares (City of Folsom 2005).

The project is not located in or near a State Responsibility Area or in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (CAL FIRE 2020; CSG 2020). Vegetation on the property is irrigated and includes maintained lawns and well-spaced trees with a generally open canopy and limbs pruned near ground level.

**Evaluation of Hazards and Hazardous Materials**

a) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?

b) Create a significant hazard to the public or the environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The project would involve the installation of two 250-gallon propane tanks

\(^2\) The school is located across Lake Natoma from the project site and, though it is approximately 2.7 miles away by car, its physical location is about 3,000 feet (just over one-half mile) northwest of the project site.
immediately adjacent to the existing maintenance shed to power the crematory. Propane is flammable and has the potential to negatively impact human health if people are directly exposed to the liquid, gas, and/or vapors in the cases of large leaks or spills (USDOT 2016). Further, significant damage to the tanks, failure of safety mechanisms, and/or the presence of an ignition source may make the tanks an explosion hazard. However, this is very unlikely for a number of reasons. The tanks would be secured in place on a concrete pad, marked conspicuously, and placed in an area at low risk of impact from any vehicle or piece of equipment. They would not be located in an area of the cemetery frequented by the public. All installation, maintenance, and operations would be done by trained individuals in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations and state regulations. The tanks would be regularly inspected to ensure soundness and proper function. Delivery of propane and filling of the tanks would be done only by licensed professionals following all applicable regulations and best practices.

No existing hazardous materials have been identified on the project site, and the site has no known history of past land uses associated with potentially hazardous sites. Construction of the proposed project would result in a small increase in the generation, storage, and disposal of hazardous wastes. During project construction, oil, gasoline, diesel fuel, paints, solvents, and other hazardous materials may be used. If spilled, these substances could pose a risk to the environment and to human health.

Following construction, household hazardous materials (such as various cleansers, paints, solvents, pesticides, and automobile fluids) may occasionally be used or brought into the vicinity of the site as part of routine maintenance. The routine transport, use, and disposal of hazardous materials are subject to local, state, and federal regulations to minimize risk and exposure.

Further, the City has set forth its hazardous materials goals and policies in the Hazardous Materials Element of the General Plan. The preventative policies protect the health and welfare of residents of Folsom through management and regulation of hazardous materials. Consequently, use of the listed materials above for their intended purpose would not pose a significant risk to the public or environment, and impacts would be less than significant for questions a) and b).

c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school?

**No impact.** The project site is not located within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed school.

d) Be located on a site which is included on a list of hazardous materials sites compiled pursuant to Government Code Section 65962.5 and, as a result, would it create a significant hazard to the public or the environment?

**No Impact.** The project site is not listed as a hazardous waste site on Envirofacts (USEPA 2020a), EnviroStor (DTSC 2020), or the EPA’s Superfund National Priorities List (USEPA 2020c). Therefore, project implementation would have no impact for question d).

e) For a project located within an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project result in a safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area?

**No Impact.** The project site is not located within an Airport Land Use Plan area, and no public or private airfields are within two miles of the project site. Therefore, the proposed project would not result in a
safety hazard or excessive noise for people residing or working in the project area, and no impact would occur.

f) Impair implementation of or physically interfere with an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Consistent with the City’s Multi-Hazard Emergency Management Plan, the City of Folsom maintains pre-designated emergency evacuation routes along major streets and thoroughfares (City of Folsom 2005). The proposed project would not modify any pre-designated emergency evacuation route or preclude their continued use as an emergency evacuation route. Emergency vehicle access would be maintained throughout the project site to meet the Fire Department standards for fire engine maneuvering, location of fire engine to fight a fire, rescue access to the units, and fire hose access to all sides of the building. Therefore, project impacts to the City’s adopted emergency plans would be less than significant.

g) Expose people or structures, either directly or indirectly, to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The project site is located in an urbanized area in the City of Folsom and is provided urban levels of fire protection by the City. Landscaping on the property is well-irrigated, well-spaced, trimmed, pruned, and generally maintained. To the north of the site is a residential neighborhood, to the east is gravel/rock cover and Folsom Boulevard, and to the south and west is a greenbelt that runs parallel to Lake Natoma on a north/south axis. The natural spaces are small, with a relatively open and discontinuous canopy. The project is not likely to cause any ignition, given that the crematory will not emit sparks, and any ignition caused by other factors could be quickly controlled by the City of Folsom Fire Department and would not spread great distances given the land use and vegetation surrounding and occupying the site. As an existing facility, Lakeside Memorial Lawn maintains adequate fire response infrastructure for both current operations and the proposed project. The City of Folsom Fire Department reviewed the project application and did not raise any concerns regarding the adequacy of water supply or site access. Therefore, the proposed project would not expose people or structures to a significant risk of loss due to wildland fires, and impacts would be less than significant.
X. HYDROLOGY AND WATER QUALITY

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<td>a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality?</td>
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<td>b) Substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin?</td>
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<td>c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which would:</td>
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<td>ii. Substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?</td>
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<td>iv. Impede or redirect flood flows?</td>
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<td>d) In flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk release of pollutants due to project inundation?</td>
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<td>e) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan?</td>
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Environmental Setting

The project site is currently a small cemetery, with associated landscaping, outbuildings, and access roads. Lands to the south and west contain woodland habitat typical of riparian communities in the Sierra Nevada foothills. To the west is also the Jedidiah Smith Memorial Trail that runs along the eastern shore of Lake Natoma. The trail, also known as the American River Bike Trail, connects Folsom Lake (north of the project site) to the confluence of the American and Sacramento Rivers in Downtown Sacramento. It is a part of the American River Parkway that is operated by the California Department of Parks and Recreation. To the north of the project site is a small residential neighborhood with single-family dwellings. Folsom Boulevard runs in a north/south line just east of the property. East of Folsom Boulevard is a large, developed area containing single-family homes, apartment complexes, a mobile home park, and some small businesses. The more regional setting is primarily characterized by residential development with a commercial shopping center to the east.
The project site is generally flat, ranging from about 175 to 185 feet in elevation throughout. Precipitation is the only apparent source of surface water as there are no wetlands or streams located on the project site.

The project site currently retains stormwater onsite and then discharges it into Lake Natoma. There is no connection with a City sewer system. Demand for water disposal, of either sanitary waste or stormwater, is projected to be unchanged by the proposed action.

Construction of the proposed project would disturb only the amount of soil required to install a concrete pad of approximately 38.3 square feet to secure two 250-gallon propane tanks adjacent to the existing shed.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood insurance rate maps were reviewed for the project’s proximity to a 100-year floodplain. The proposed project is on FEMA panel 06067C0116H, effective August 16, 2012. The project site is not located within a 100-year floodplain (FEMA 2020). The project is not located in a tsunami inundation zone (CDC 2020a).

The site is not located in an area of important groundwater recharge. Domestic water in the City is provided solely by surface water sources, and the City is the purveyor of water to the project area.

Regulatory Framework Relating to Hydrology and Water Quality

The City is a signatory to the Sacramento Countywide NPDES permit for the control of pollutants in urban stormwater. Since 1990, the City has been a partner in the Sacramento Stormwater Quality Partnership, along with the County of Sacramento and the Cities of Sacramento, Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Galt, and Rancho Cordova. These agencies are implementing a comprehensive program involving public outreach, construction and industrial controls (i.e., BMPs), water quality monitoring, and other activities designed to protect area creeks and rivers. This program would be unchanged by the proposed project, and the project would be required to implement all appropriate program requirements.

In addition to these activities, the City maintains the following requirements and programs to reduce the potential impacts of urban development on stormwater quality and quantity, erosion and sediment control, flood protection, and water use. These regulations and requirements would be unchanged by the proposed project.

Standard construction conditions required by the City include:

- **Water Pollution** – requires compliance with City water pollution regulations, including NPDES provisions.

- **Clearing and Grubbing** – specifies protection standards for signs, mailboxes, underground structures, drainage facilities, sprinklers and lights, trees and shrubbery, and fencing. Also requires the preparation of a SWPPP to control erosion and siltation of receiving waters.

- **Reseeding** – specifies seed mixes and methods for reseeding of graded areas.

Additionally, the City enforces the following requirements of the Folsom Municipal Code as presented in Table 9.
Table 9. City of Folsom Municipal Code Sections Regulating the Effects on Hydrology and Water Quality from Urban Development

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<td>8.70</td>
<td>Stormwater Management and Discharge Control</td>
<td>Establishes conditions and requirements for the discharge of urban pollutants and sediments to the storm-drainage system; requires preparation and implementation of Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans.</td>
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<td>13.26</td>
<td>Water Conservation</td>
<td>Prohibits the wasteful use of water; establishes sustainable landscape requirements; defines water use restrictions.</td>
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<td>14.20</td>
<td>Green Building Standards Code</td>
<td>Adopts by reference the California Green Building Standards Code (CALGreen Code), 2016 Edition, excluding Appendix Chapters A4, A5, and A6.1 published as Part 11, Title 24, C.C.R. Purpose of the Folsom Green Building Standards Code is to promote and require the use of building concepts having a reduced negative impact or positive environmental impact and encouraging sustainable construction practices.</td>
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<td>14.29</td>
<td>Grading Code</td>
<td>Requires a grading permit prior to the initiation of any grading, excavation, fill or dredging; establishes standards, conditions, and requirements for grading, erosion control, stormwater drainage, and revegetation.</td>
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<td>14.32</td>
<td>Flood Damage Prevention</td>
<td>Restricts or prohibits uses that cause water or erosion hazards, or that result in damaging increases in erosion or in flood heights; requires that uses vulnerable to floods be protected against flood damage; controls the modification of floodways; regulates activities that may increase flood damage or that could divert floodwaters.</td>
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<td>14.33</td>
<td>Hillside Development Standards</td>
<td>Regulates urban development on hillsides and ridges to protect property against losses from erosion, ground movement and flooding; to protect significant natural features; and to provide for functional and visually pleasing development of the city’s hillsides by establishing procedures and standards for the siting and design of physical improvements and site grading.</td>
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Source: City of Folsom 2018b.

Evaluation of Hydrology and Water Quality

a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements or otherwise substantially degrade surface or ground water quality?

Less Than Significant Impact. No work would occur on the site outside of the existing shed with the exception of installing two 250-gallon propane tanks immediately adjacent to the existing shed. The tanks would cover an area of ground of approximately 38.3 square feet and thus may disturb 38.3 square feet of soil during installation. There would be an addition of approximately 38.3 square feet of impervious surface, following the completion of construction since the tanks would be built on a concrete foundation. No significant increase in wastewater or runoff is expected as a result of the project. The temporary disturbance of a small amount of soil and the potential addition of an impervious surface (approximately 38.3 square feet in both cases) would render any impacts less than significant.
b) Substantially decrease groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that the project may impede sustainable groundwater management of the basin?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The project does not propose any new building construction or the addition of any impervious surfaces, except for up to 38.3 square feet to be covered by propane tanks’ concrete foundation. No other soil disturbance and no grading or compaction are anticipated. The small change in impervious surfaces would render any impacts to infiltration at the site or groundwater recharge to be less than significant.

c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river or through the addition of impervious surfaces, in a manner which would:

i. Result in substantial erosion or siltation on- or off-site?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Approximately 38.3 square feet of soil may be disturbed for a short time during construction. Any resulting erosion impact would be less than significant.

ii. Substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding on- or off-site?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Approximately 38.3 square feet of impervious surfaces would be added during construction. There would be no other addition or expansion of impervious surfaces, and existing drainage patterns and systems would not be altered. Any impact would be less than significant.

iii. Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned stormwater drainage systems or provide substantial additional resources of polluted runoff?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Approximately 38.3 square feet of impervious surfaces would be added during construction. There would be no other addition or expansion of impervious surfaces, and existing drainage patterns and systems would not be altered. No additional wastewater is expected to be generated by the proposed action. Existing systems are adequate to deal with existing levels of runoff. Any impact would be less than significant.

iv. Impede or redirect flood flows?

**No impact.** The proposal would not alter or block any existing watercourse or drainage feature, nor would it block or impede the drainage of any floodwater from the property during times of heavy rain. There would be no impact.

d) In flood hazard, tsunami, or seiche zones, risk release of pollutants due to project inundation?

**No impact.** The project site is not located within a 100-year floodplain nor in a tsunami inundation zone or seiche zone. No impact would occur.
e) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of a water quality control plan or sustainable groundwater management plan?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The project would include the disturbance of up to approximately 38.3 square feet of soil and the installation of the same amount of impervious surfaces on the project site. All other work would be conducted inside of an established building. Given the small area of soil disturbed and impervious surfaces added, any impacts to groundwater infiltration rates or groundwater quality are expected to be less than significant.
XI. LAND USE AND PLANNING

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Environmental Setting

Land use in the project area is regulated by the City of Folsom through the various plans and ordinances adopted by the City. These include the City of Folsom General Plan and the City of Folsom Municipal Code, including the Zoning Code. The project site is designated as Open Space (OS) in the City of Folsom General Plan. The following General Plan policies apply to the Open Space designation:

- **LU-1.1.8:** Preserve Natural Assets: Maintain the existing natural vegetation, landscape features, open space, and viewsheds in the design of new developments.
- **LU-1.1.9:** Preserve Historic Resources: Recognize the importance of history in the City of Folsom, and preserve historic and cultural resources throughout the city, to the extent feasible.
- **LU-1.1.10:** Network of Open Space: Ensure designated open space is connected whenever feasible with the larger community and regional network of natural systems, recreational assets, and viewsheds

The proposed action would not be in conflict with the OS designation or the above policies, as disturbances would be largely limited to an existing building and a small area of existing disturbance that is shielded from public view.

The project site is currently zoned Open Space/Public (OS/P) Primary Area of the Historic District with underlying zoning of Open Space and Conservation (OSC). The applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit from the City to authorize their installation of a crematory.

Evaluation of Land Use and Planning

a) Physically divide an established community?

**No Impact.** No new building or road construction is proposed. The project site is located within an existing cemetery outside of established residential communities. No impact would occur.
b) Cause significant environmental impact due to a conflict with any land use plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The project site is designated as OS in the City of Folsom General Plan. The proposed action would not conflict with the intended uses of that designation. The project site is currently zoned Open Space/Public (OS/P) Primary Area of the Historic District with underlying zoning of Open Space and Conservation District (OSC). The applicant is seeking a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) from the City to authorize their installation of a crematory. Granting of the CUP from the City would render any impacts less than significant.
MINERAL RESOURCES

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Environmental Setting

The Folsom area regional geologic structure is defined by the predominantly northwest- to southeast-trending belt of metamorphic rocks and the strike-slip faults that bound them. The structural trend influences the orientation of the feeder canyons into the main canyons of the North and South Forks of the American River. This trend is interrupted where the granodiorite plutons outcrop (north and west of Folsom Lake) and where the metamorphic rocks are blanketed by younger sedimentary layers (west of Folsom Dam) (Wagner et al. 1981 in Geotechnical Consultants 2003). The four primary rock divisions found in the area are: ultramafic intrusive, metamorphic, granodiorite intrusive, and volcanic mud flows (Geotechnical Consultants 2003).

The presence of mineral resources within the City has led to a long history of gold extraction, primarily placer gold. No areas of the City are currently designated for mineral resource extraction (CDC 2020b).

Evaluation of Mineral Resources

a) Result in the loss of availability of a known mineral resource that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?

b) Result in the loss of availability of a locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan?

No Impact. The proposed project is not located in a zone of known mineral or aggregate resources. No active mining operations are present on or near the site. Implementation of the project would not interfere with the extraction of any known mineral resources. Thus, no impacts would result, and no mitigation would be necessary for questions a) and b).
### XIII. NOISE

| NOISE:                                                                 | Potentially Significant Impact | Less Than Significant with Mitigation Incorporated | Less Than Significant Impact | No Impact |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|********************************|*******************************************|*******************************|**********|
| Would the project:                                                    |                                |                                                |                            |          |
| a) Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies? | ☐                              | ☐                                              | ☑                                              | ☐          |
| b) Generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels? | ☐                              | ☐                                              | ☑                                              | ☐          |
| c) For a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels? | ☐                              | ☐                                              | ☐                                              | ☑          |

**Environmental Setting**

The project site is located southwest of the intersection of Forrest Street/Natoma Street and Folsom Boulevard, within an existing shed on the grounds of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. The proposed project would include the installation and operation of a crematory within the existing shed, and the installation of a small concrete pad and two propane tanks adjacent to the shed to power the crematory. According to the manufacturer, the crematory would generate approximately 60 decibels (dB) of noise during normal operation. Noise-sensitive land uses are land uses that may be subject to stress and/or interference from excessive noise, including residences, hospitals, schools, hotels, resorts, libraries, sensitive wildlife habitat, or similar facilities where quiet is an important attribute of the environment. Noise receptors (receivers) are individual locations that may be affected by noise. Noise-sensitive land uses in the project vicinity include nearby residences along Young Wo Circle, approximately 420 feet to the north/northwest, and the Folsom Village Mobile Home Park, located approximately 1,000 feet to the east across Folsom Boulevard.

**Noise Terminology and Metrics**

All noise level or sound level values presented herein are expressed in terms of decibels (dB), with A weighting (dBA) to approximate the hearing sensitivity of humans. Time-averaged noise levels are expressed by the symbol LEQ, with a specified duration.

The amplitude of pressure waves generated by a sound source determines the loudness of that source. Sound pressure amplitude is measured in micro-Pascals (mPa). One mPa is approximately one hundred billionth (0.0000000001) of normal atmospheric pressure. Sound pressure amplitudes for different kinds of noise environments can range from less than 100 to 100,000,000 mPa. Because of this wide range of values, sound is rarely expressed in terms of mPa. Instead, a logarithmic scale is used to
describe sound pressure level (SPL) in terms of dBA. The threshold of hearing for the human ear is about 0 dBA, which corresponds to 20 mPa.

Because decibels are logarithmic units, SPL cannot be added or subtracted through standard arithmetic. Under the decibel scale, a doubling of sound energy corresponds to a 3 dBA increase. In other words, when two identical sources are each producing sound of the same loudness, the resulting sound level at a given distance would be 3 dBA higher than from one source under the same conditions. For example, if one automobile produces an SPL of 70 dB when it passes an observer, two cars passing simultaneously would not produce 140 dBA—rather, they would combine to produce 73 dBA. Under the decibel scale, three sources of equal loudness together produce a sound level 5 dBA louder than one source.

Under controlled conditions in an acoustical laboratory, the trained, healthy human ear is able to discern 1 dBA changes in sound levels, when exposed to steady, single-frequency (“pure-tone”) signals in the mid-frequency (1,000 Hz–8,000 Hz) range. In typical noisy environments, changes in noise of 1 to 2 dBA are generally not perceptible. It is widely accepted, however, that people begin to detect sound level increases of 3 dB in typical noisy environments. Further, a 5 dBA increase is generally perceived as a distinctly noticeable increase, and a 10 dBA increase is generally perceived as a doubling of loudness.

**Regulatory Framework**

**City of Folsom General Plan**

The City of Folsom 2035 General Plan Safety and Noise Element provides the following goals and policies relative to noise that are applicable to this project:

GOAL SN 6.1: Protect the citizens of Folsom from the harmful effects of exposure to excessive noise and to protect the economic base of Folsom by preventing the encroachment of incompatible land uses within areas affected by existing noise-producing uses.

- SN 6.1.1 Noise Mitigation Strategies: Develop, maintain, and implement strategies to abate and avoid excessive noise exposure in the city by requiring that effective noise mitigation measures be incorporated into the design of new noise-generating and noise-sensitive land uses.

- SN 6.1.2 Noise Mitigation Measures: Require effective noise mitigation for new development of residential or other noise sensitive land uses to reduce noise levels as follows:
  
  - 2. For non-transportation-related noise sources: achieve compliance with the performance standards contained within Table SN-1 [Table 10].

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<td>Mixed-Use Developments</td>
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<td>Schools, Libraries, Churches, Hospitals, Nursing Homes, Museums</td>
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<td>Theaters, Auditoriums</td>
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<td>Playgrounds, Neighborhood Parks</td>
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<td>Golf Courses, Riding Stables, Water Reconstruction, Cemeteries</td>
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<td>Industrial, Manufacturing, and Utilities</td>
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Notes: Where a proposed use is not specifically listed on this table, the use shall comply with the noise exposure standards for the nearest similar use as determined by the Community Development Department.

a. Outdoor activity areas for residential developments are considered to be the back yard patios or decks of single-family residential units, and the patios or common areas where people generally congregate for multifamily development. Outdoor activity areas for nonresidential developments are considered to be those common areas where people generally congregate, including outdoor seating areas. Where the location of outdoor activity areas is unknown, the exterior noise standard shall be applied to the property line of the receiving land use.

b. As determined for a typical worst-case hour during periods of use.

c. Where it is not possible to reduce noise in outdoor activity areas to 60 dB, $L_{dn}$/CNEL or less using a practical application of the best-available noise reduction measures, an exterior level of up to 65 dB, $L_{dn}$/CNEL may be allowed provided that available exterior noise level reduction measures have been implemented and interior noise levels are in compliance with this table.

d. Where it is not possible to reduce noise in outdoor activity areas to 65 dB, $L_{dn}$/CNEL or less using a practical application of the best-available noise reduction measures, an exterior level of up to 70 dB, $L_{dn}$/CNEL may be allowed provided that available exterior noise level reduction measures have been implemented and interior noise levels are in compliance with this table.

### Folsom Municipal Code

Chapter 8.42 of the City of Folsom Municipal Code, entitled Noise Control, provides exterior noise level performance standards for stationary noise sources. In addition, this chapter also provides noise source exemptions which are applicable to this project.

#### 8.42.040 Exterior noise standards.

A. It is unlawful for any person at any location within the incorporated area of the city to create any noise, or to allow the creation of any noise, on property owned, leased, occupied or otherwise controlled by such person which causes the exterior noise level when measured at any affected single- or multiple-family residence, school church, hospital or public library situated in either the incorporated or unincorporated area to exceed the noise level standards as set forth in Table 11.
### Table 11. Exterior Noise Level Standards

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<th>Noise Level Category</th>
<th>Cumulative Number of minutes in any 1-hour time period</th>
<th>Daytime (dB) (7 a.m. – 10 p.m.)</th>
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<td>1</td>
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Note: dB = A-weighted decibels  
Source: City of Folsom Code, Noise Control 1993.

B. In the event the measured ambient noise level exceeds the applicable noise level standard in any category above, the applicable standard shall be adjusted so as to equal the ambient noise level.

C. Each of the noise level standards specified above shall be reduced by 5 dB for simple tone noises, noises consisting primarily of speech or music, or for recurring noises.

D. If the intruding noise source is continuous and cannot reasonably be discontinued or stopped for a time period whereby the ambient noise level can be measured, the noise level measured while the source is in operation shall be the noise level standards as specified above.

### Noise Source Exemptions (Section 8.42.060)

Section 8.42.060 of the City of Folsom Municipal Code establishes the following activities that are considered exempt from the associated exterior noise provisions:

A. Activities conducted in unlighted public parks, public playgrounds and public or private school grounds, during the hours of 7 a.m. to dusk, and in lighted public parks, public playgrounds and public or private school grounds, during the hours of 7 a.m. to 11 p.m., including but not limited to school athletic and school entertainment events;

B. Any mechanical device, apparatus, or equipment used, related to or connected with emergency activities or emergency work;

C. Noise sources associated with construction, provided such activities do not take place before 7 a.m. or after 6 p.m. on any day except Saturday or Sunday, or before 8 a.m. or after 5 p.m. on Saturday or Sunday;

D. Noise sources associated with the maintenance of residential property provided such activities take place between the hours of seven a.m. to dusk on any day except Saturday or Sunday, between the hours of 8 a.m. to dusk on Saturday or Sunday;

E. Noise sources associated with agricultural activities on agricultural property;

F. (Section Expired)

G. Noise sources associated with the collection of waste or garbage from property devoted to commercial or industrial uses;
H. Any activity to the extent regulation thereof has been preempted by state or Federal law.

**Evaluation of Noise**

a) Generation of a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Construction of the project would involve the use of a crane for several hours to unload the chiller and crematory from the truck, and the use of a mini excavator or skid steer loader for a day and one truck load of concrete to install a small pad for the two propane tanks. Construction equipment would be relatively small, given the small size of the project, and construction would be of short duration. Noise generated by construction may exceed the levels permitted by section 8.42.040 of the Folsom Municipal Code; however, construction activities are exempt from those requirements provided that they take place between 7:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. on any day except Saturday or Sunday, or between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Saturday or Sunday (Folsom Municipal Code 8.42.060). The project applicant is required to comply with these requirements and ensure that all construction activities were limited to those windows.

The crematory is expected to generate 60 dB of noise during normal operations, which is below the 75 dB level authorized for cemeteries under item SN 6.1.2 of the City of Folsom 2035 General Plan Safety and Noise Element. Operation would be limited to between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m., so 50 dB would be the lowest standard applied by Folsom Municipal Code Section 8.42.040 for noise reaching the nearest sensitive receptor for 30 cumulative minutes of any hour during that time frame. That standard would further be lowered to 45 dB for recurring noises. The nearest sensitive receptors to the project site are the residences located along Young Wo Circle, approximately 420 feet to the north/northwest of the proposed crematory. A rough estimate of noise levels reaching these receptors was calculated. This discussion assumes that the 60 dB measurement provided by the manufacturer refers to noise levels ten feet from the proposed crematory during operation, and assumes spherical spreading of sound from the source to the receiver (i.e., 6 decibel decrease for each doubling of distance from the noise source). An additional offset for atmospheric absorption of -1.5 dB per thousand feet was applied to the computations.

Noise from the proposed crematory’s normal operations would attenuate to approximately 27.5 dB by the time it reached the nearest sensitive receptors. This does not account for the added muffling effect of the shed containing the crematory. Consequently, the proposed project would not generate a substantial temporary or permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the vicinity of the project in excess of applicable standards, and impacts from the project would be less than significant.

b) Generation of excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Construction of the project would involve the use of a crane for several hours to unload the chiller and crematory from the truck, and the use of a mini excavator or skid steer loader for a day and one truck load of concrete to install a small pad for the two propane tanks. Construction equipment would be relatively small, given the small size of the project, and construction would be for a short duration. Operation of the proposed crematory is not expected to create any new sources of vibration that could be felt outside of the immediate vicinity of the device. Therefore, any impacts would be less than significant.
c) For a project located within the vicinity of a private airstrip or an airport land use plan or, where such a plan has not been adopted, within two miles of a public airport or public use airport, would the project expose people residing or working in the project area to excessive noise levels?

**No Impact.** No public airports or private airstrips are located within two miles of the project site. Therefore, residents of the proposed project would not be exposed to excessive noise levels from air activity, and no impact would occur.
XIV. POPULATION AND HOUSING

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<td>b) Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?</td>
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Environmental Setting

The proposed project includes the installation of a crematory within an existing maintenance shed at an existing cemetery. It also involves the installation of two 250-gallon propane tanks adjacent to one side of the shed.

Evaluation of Population and Housing

a) Induce substantial unplanned population growth in an area, either directly (for example, by proposing new homes and businesses) or indirectly (for example, through extension of roads or other infrastructure)?

No Impact. The project would not expand any existing service apart from providing an opportunity to cremate deceased individuals within the City of Folsom. It would not expand or provide any public service nor alter public access to any site, nor create significant new employment opportunities. No impact would occur.

b) Displace substantial numbers of existing people or housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere?

No Impact. This project does not involve the demolition, alteration, or replacement of any housing. It would not affect local conditions to the degree than any residents would be compelled to move away. Therefore, no impact would occur.
XV. PUBLIC SERVICES

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Environmental Setting

The proposed project is in an area currently served by urban levels of utilities and services. Public services provided by the City of Folsom in the project area include fire, police, school, library, and park services. The site is served by all public utilities including domestic water, wastewater treatment, and storm water utilities.

The City of Folsom Fire Department provides fire protection services. There are four fire stations providing fire/rescue and emergency medical services within the City of Folsom with a fifth station planned near the eastern city limits. Station 35 is the nearest station to the project site and is located at 535 Glenn Drive, approximately 1.5 miles east of the project site. Station 36 is second nearest to the project site and is located at 9700 Oak Avenue, approximately 2.3 miles north of the project site. The Fire Department responds to over 6,000 requests for service annually with an average of 16.4 per day (City of Folsom 2020). The City of Folsom Police Department is located at 46 Natoma Street, approximately 1.5 miles northeast of the project site.

The project site is located within the Folsom Cordova Unified School District. Nearby schools include the Golden Valley Charter River School (approximately 2.7 miles west of the project site), Folsom Montessori School (0.6 miles east), Sutter Middle School (1.0 mile east), Folsom Lake High School (0.9 miles east) and Folsom Middle School (2.5 miles east). The nearest recreational feature to the site is the Jedediah Smith Memorial Trail which runs adjacent to the property near its west side. The trail runs along the shores of Lake Natoma and continues on to provide bike access to the City of Sacramento. The land to the south and west of the property, including the land surrounding the trail and the lake, is a part of the American River Parkway that is operated by the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation.
The Sacramento Municipal Utilities District (SMUD) would continue to supply electricity to the project site. The City of Folsom provides potable water and irrigation water to the site. The project site does not currently have a gas line; two 250-gallon propane tanks would be installed to provide fuel for the crematory. The project site does not currently have a sanitary sewer line.

The City of Folsom has a program of maintaining and upgrading existing utility and public services within the City. Similarly, all private utilities maintain and upgrade their systems as necessary for public convenience and necessity, and as technology changes.

**Evaluation of Public Services**

a) Fire protection?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The City of Folsom Fire Department is capable of responding to structure and wildland fires in addition to hazardous materials incidents. As a professionally staffed department with two stations nearby, they would be able to respond quickly and effectively in the unlikely event of a fire or hazardous materials incident at the project site. Emergency vehicle access would be maintained throughout the project site to meet the Fire Department standards for fire engine maneuvering, location of fire engine to fight a fire, rescue access, and fire hose access to all sides of the building. The proposed project would not significantly increase fire service demands or render the current service level to be inadequate, and impacts would be less than significant.

b) Police protection?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The proposed project would not increase public access to the site and would only marginally increase the presence of workers at the site. As such, no increase in calls for service to the police department is expected under normal operating conditions. In the unlikely event of a fire or other emergency involving the crematory or the propane tanks, police would likely be called to assist with incident command and to control access to the site. The Folsom Police Department and other mutual aid departments would have sufficient resources and manpower to accommodate such an assignment, and a Less Than Significant Impact would occur.

c) Schools?

**No impact.** The project would not induce population growth and would not increase or decrease demand for any school facilities. No impact would occur.

d) Parks?

**No impact.** The project would not induce population growth and would not increase or decrease demand for any park facilities. No impact would occur.

e) Other public facilities?

**No impact.** The project would not induce population growth and would not significantly increase or decrease demand for any public services or utilities. No impact would occur.
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Would the project:

a) Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?

b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?

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**Environmental Setting**

The nearest recreational opportunity to the project side is adjacent to the western boundary of the property. The Jedediah Smith Memorial Trail and Lake Natoma both run along a north/south axis just west of the project site. The open space surrounding the lake and trail in the project vicinity is comprised of oak/gray pine woodland typical of the Sierra Nevada Foothills. The trail continues to the City of Sacramento and allows bike and pedestrian access. It is part of the American River Parkway. The portion of the parkway nearest the project area is administered by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

**Evaluation of Recreation**

a) Increase the use of existing neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?

**No Impact.** The proposed project would not induce population growth or increase tourism or public access or demand to any recreational site. It would not impair the quality of any existing site. No impact would occur.

b) Does the project include recreational facilities or require the construction or expansion of recreational facilities which might have an adverse physical effect on the environment?

**No Impact.** The proposed project does not include any recreational facilities, nor would it induce demand for new recreational facilities. No impact would occur.
XVII. TRANSPORTATION

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Environmental Setting

Parking and Access

The project site can be accessed from either northbound or southbound on Folsom Boulevard or from Westbound Natoma Street approaching this intersection with Folsom Boulevard. The site would be accessed by proceeding a very short distance west on Forrest Street to reach the entry gate to the cemetery and turning left onto Mormon Street.

Diagonal parking spaces can be found along both sides of Mormon Street. At the terminus of Mormon Street, members of the public may continue straight onto a main cemetery access road to find an additional parking lot. All existing parking spaces would be maintained. Access to the project site directly would continue to be provided by a smaller existing access road located at the southwestern terminus of Mormon Street. Both the smaller access road and the main access road can be reached at the terminus of Mormon Street, but the two roads do not form a continuous loop because of a fence line separating them. No new parking spaces or parking facilities would be constructed.

As the crematorium would not be located in or near a funeral home and would be separate from any funeral services or public gatherings provided by the project applicant, access would only need to accommodate a small number of staff members with business at the site.

Roadway System

Brief descriptions of the key roadways serving the project site are provided below.

*Folsom Boulevard* is a four-lane arterial (with additional turn lanes as needed) that operates at a posted speed limit of 50 mph within the project vicinity. It is non-divided south of the intersection with Natoma Street/Forrest Street and becomes divided north of the intersection. A light rail track runs parallel to Folsom Boulevard. The intersection of Folsom Boulevard and Natoma Street/Forrest Street is controlled by a traffic light. About five miles south of that intersection, Folsom Boulevard provides access to US...
Route 50. Folsom Boulevard crosses Lake Natoma about one mile north of the intersection with Natoma Street/Forrest Street.

Natoma Street is a two-lane, non-divided road that operates at a posted speed limit of 25 mph within the project vicinity. It intersects with Folsom Boulevard on the eastern side of the intersection nearest the project site. On the western side, the road becomes known as Forrest Street and remains a non-divided, two lane road with turn lanes as needed. Natoma Street provides access to residential and mixed-use neighborhoods to the east, and Forrest Street provides access to the cemetery, a small number of residential neighborhoods, and additional parks and businesses.

Transit, Light Rail, Bicycle, and Pedestrian Facilities

Transit services in the City of Folsom are provided by the Folsom Stage Line bus service which, as of February 4, 2019, is now operated by Sacramento Regional Transit. The Folsom Stage Line bus service provides both Fixed-Route and Dial-A-Ride services exclusively within the Folsom city limits, Monday through Friday. The nearest bus stop is approximately 0.5 miles north of the project site on Folsom Boulevard and is served by the Route 10 bus. The next nearest stop is approximately 0.7 miles south of the project site along Folsom Boulevard and is served by the Route 30 bus.

Light rail access to the site is provided by the Sacramento Regional Transit District, Light Rail to Folsom (Gold Line). The nearest stations are approximately 0.5 miles north and 0.7 miles south of the project site, respectively. Both stations are along the eastern side of Folsom Boulevard.

Bicycles can access the site from either northbound or southbound on Folsom Boulevard, or westbound from Natoma Street. Additional bike access is provided by the Jedidiah Smith Memorial Trail, which can reach Forrest Street via Young Wo Circle just west of the project site.

Pedestrians can access the site through the same routes as described for bicycles. Crossing signals and crosswalks are provided at the intersection of Folsom Boulevard and Natoma Street/Forrest Street.

Airports

No private or public airports are located within the City of Folsom. The nearest public airfield is Mather Airport, located approximately 11.7 miles southwest of the project site. Cameron Airpark is a public use airport located approximately 13 miles northeast of the project site, and McClellan Airport is a privately-owned public use airport located approximately 17 miles west of the project site.

Emergency Access

The City of Folsom identifies most major streets in the City as emergency evacuation routes. The proposed project would not modify any major street and/or preclude their continued use as an emergency evacuation route.
Evaluation of Transportation

a) Conflict with a program plan, ordinance or policy addressing the circulation system, including transit, roadway, bicycle and pedestrian facilities?

**No Impact.** The project does not propose any alterations to any path of access for vehicle, transit, rail, bicycle, or pedestrian facilities. The project would not conflict with any plan, policy, or ordinance affecting the above categories. No impact would occur.

b) Would the project conflict or be inconsistent with CEQA Guidelines section 15064.3, subdivision (b)?

**No Impact.** The proposed action would not be a destination accessible for members of the public and would only be visited by a small number of workers during construction and operation. The project would not result in a significant increase in vehicle miles traveled, and is located within one half mile of a major public transit stop (the Historic Folsom Station) which provides both bus and light rail service. No impact would occur.

c) Substantially increase hazards due to a geometric design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?

**No Impact.** The project does not propose any alterations to any access roads or other routes, and would not increase traffic to a point that additional risk on existing routes would be incurred. No impact would occur.

d) Result in inadequate emergency access?

**No Impact.** No alterations to any access road or right of way are proposed. Emergency vehicle access would be maintained throughout the project site to meet the Fire Department standards for fire engine maneuvering, location of fire engine to fight a fire, rescue access, and fire hose access to all sides of the building. No impact would occur.
XVIII. TRIBAL CULTURAL RESOURCES

Would the project:

a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:

i. Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k), or

ii. A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources Code Section 5024.1, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe.

Environmental Setting

For discussion of the history of Native American use of the project area, see Section 9.0.V., Cultural Resources. This section is based on the Tribal Consultation Record for Compliance with Assembly Bill (AB) 52 and CEQA for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed Project, City of Folsom (ECORP 2021). That document is included as Appendix C, and a summary is provided below.

Regulatory Setting

Tribal Cultural Resources are defined in Section 21074 of the California PRC as sites, features, places, cultural landscapes (geographically defined in terms of the size and scope), sacred places, and objects with cultural value to a California Native American tribe that are either included in or determined to be eligible for inclusion in the CRHR, or are included in a local register of historical resources as defined in subdivision (k) of Section 5020.1, or are a resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Section 5024.1. Section 1(b)(4) of AB 52 established that only California Native American tribes, as defined in Section 21073 of the California PRC, are experts in the identification of Tribal Cultural Resources and impacts thereto.
AB 52 requires that the City of Folsom (City) provide notice to any California Native American tribes that have requested notice of projects subject to CEQA review and consult with tribes that responded to the notice within 30 days of receipt with a request for consultation. Section 21073 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) defines California Native American tribes as “a Native American tribe located in California that is on the contact list maintained by the NAHC for the purposes of Chapter 905 of the Statutes of 2004.” This includes both federally and non-federally recognized tribes. For the City of Folsom, these include the following tribes that previously submitted general request letters, requesting such noticing:

- Wilton Rancheria (letter dated January 13, 2020);
- Ione Band of Miwok Indians (letter dated March 2, 2016); and,
- United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) of the Auburn Rancheria (letter dated November 23, 2015).

The purpose of consultation is to identify Tribal Cultural Resources (TCR) that may be significantly impacted by the proposed project and to allow the City to avoid or mitigate significant impacts prior to project approval and implementation. Section 21074(a) of the PRC defines TCRs, for the purpose of CEQA, as:

Sites, features, places, cultural landscapes (geographically defined in terms of the size and scope), sacred places, and objects with cultural value to a California Native American tribe that are either of the following:

a) Included or determined to be eligible for inclusion in the California Register of Historical Resources; and/or
b) Included in a local register of historical resources as defined in subdivision (k) of Section 5020.1; and/or
c) A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Section 5024.1, for the purposes of this paragraph, the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe.

Because criteria A and B also meet the definition of a Historical Resource under CEQA, a TCR may also require additional consideration as a Historical Resource. TCRs may or may not exhibit archaeological, cultural, or physical indicators and can only be identified by a culturally affiliated tribe, which has been determined under State law to be the subject matter expert for TCRs.

CEQA requires that the City initiate consultation with tribes at the commencement of the CEQA process to identify TCRs. Furthermore, because a significant effect on a TCR is considered a significant impact on the environment under CEQA, consultation is required to develop appropriate avoidance, impact minimization, and mitigation measures. Therefore, in accordance with the requirements summarized above, the City carried out, or attempted to carry out, tribal consultation for the project.

City Consultation

Within 14 days of initiating CEQA review for the project, on November 25, 2020, the City sent project notification letters to the three California Native American tribes named above, which had previously submitted general consultation request letters pursuant to Section 21080.3.1(d) of the PRC. Each tribe
was provided a brief description of the project and its location, the contact information for the City’s authorized representative, and a notification that the tribe has 30 days to request consultation.

The Ione Band of Miwok Indians did not respond to the City’s notification letter, and therefore, the threshold for carrying out tribal consultation with that tribe under PRC 21080.3.1(e) was not met.

On December 11, 2020, and within the 30-day response timeframe, the City received an automated email from UAIC that acknowledged receipt of the City’s notification letter, thanked the City for consulting with UAIC, and attached the tribe’s consultation record for the project. The response did not include any information on TCRs and indicated that the Tribal Historic Preservation Department would review the project and respond; however, no further communication was received from UAIC. Because the tribe failed to provide comments or engage with the City pursuant to PRC 21082.3(d)(2), the City considers this consultation requirement complete.

On December 1, 2020, and within the 30-day response timeframe, a Wilton Rancheria representative responded by email to the City’s initial notification letter and requested to formally initiate consultation under AB 52. She requested additional information regarding the project’s environmental review process and provided Wilton Rancheria’s recommended mitigation measures for TCRs, though she did not indicate that there were known TCRs within the project area. City staff shared additional details with the representative, including the Cultural Resources Inventory Report (ECORP 2020). Despite several attempts by the City to schedule a meeting with tribal representatives, the representatives did not engage with the City at any of these meeting times. Because the tribe failed to engage meaningfully with the City after a reasonable and good-faith effort composed of multiple attempts to meet with the tribe, pursuant to PRC 21082.3(d)(2), the City considers this consultation requirement complete.

All information relevant to the City’s AB 52 consultation process is documented in Appendix C.

Should Wilton Rancheria, or any other culturally affiliated tribe, submit public comments, the City will consider them in accordance with Section 11(b) of AB 52; however, after completing the required notification and consultation procedures specified in AB 52 and the PRC, the City has not been provided any information about TCRs that could be affected by the proposed project. Therefore, the determination of impacts to TCRs is drawn from other lines of evidence, as summarized below.

Information about potential impacts to TCRs was drawn from the ethnographic context, the results of a search of the Sacred Lands File of the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), and the results of a cultural resources inventory prepared by ECORP (2020). The methods and results of these efforts are provided in ECORP (2020) and are hereby incorporated by reference (see summary in Section V, Cultural Resources).

**Evaluation of Tribal Cultural Resources**

a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a tribal cultural resource, defined in Public Resources Code section 21074 as either a site, feature, place, cultural landscape that is geographically defined in terms of the size and scope of the landscape, sacred place, or object with cultural value to a California Native American tribe, and that is:

i. Listed or eligible for listing in the California Register of Historical Resources, or in a local register of historical resources as defined in Public Resources Code section 5020.1(k)?

ii. A resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Public Resources
Less Than Significant with Mitigation.

The ethnographic information reviewed for the project, including ethnographic maps, does not identify any villages, occupational areas, or resource procurement locations in or around the current project area. In addition, the Sacred Lands File failed to identify any sacred lands or tribal resources in or near the project area. The cultural resources survey did not reveal any Native American archaeological sites within or adjacent to the proposed project area. Finally, as summarized above, two of the three tribes notified of the project responded to the City’s offer to consult; however, none provided any information about TCRs in the project area. This is not unexpected, as the project is in a highly disturbed environment and does not involve substantial ground disturbance.

In reviewing the lines of evidence summarized above, this project would not have an impact on known TCRs. There exists an extremely low potential for the discovery of previously unknown TCRs during project construction, but if TCRs were to be encountered, the project activity could result in a significant impact. Implementation of unanticipated discovery procedures, as provided in mitigation measure TCR-1 below, would reduce that impact to less than significant.

Mitigation Measure TCR-01: Unanticipated Discovery of Tribal Cultural Resources.

If potentially significant TCRs are discovered during ground disturbing construction activities, all work shall cease within 50 feet of the find. A Native American Representative from traditionally and culturally affiliated Native American Tribes that requested consultation on the project shall be immediately contacted and invited to assess the significance of the find and make recommendations for further evaluation and treatment, as necessary. If deemed necessary by the City, a qualified cultural resources specialist meeting the Secretary of Interior’s Standards and Qualifications for Archaeology, may also assess the significance of the find in joint consultation with Native American Representatives to ensure that Tribal values are considered. Work at the discovery location cannot resume until the City, in consultation as appropriate and in good faith, determines that the discovery is either not a TCR, or has been subjected to culturally appropriate treatment, if avoidance and preservation cannot be accommodated.
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Environmental Setting

The cemetery is currently serviced with potable water and irrigation water from the City of Folsom. There is no need to seek a “will serve” letter as the City currently provides water and the crematory will not substantially increase flow demand. The City also provides solid waste collection and disposal services; the project is not expected to result in a significantly increased demand for solid waste removal.

The cemetery is currently served with an electricity supply from SMUD. Electrical connections already exist for the shed, and may be upgraded as needed as part of the proposed project. Installation and operation of the crematory would not result in a significant increase in demand for electricity on the project site.

The cemetery, including the shed, does not have an existing sewer line. This project would not require access to, nor construction of, a sewer line. Two 250-gallon propane tanks would be constructed along the northern edge of the shed to provide power for the crematorium.

Stormwater flows on the site are retained and drained to Lake Natoma. There would be no change in the hydrologic regime of the project site due to the installation or operation of the proposed project.
The City of Folsom employs a design process that includes coordination with potentially affected utilities as part of project development. The City of Folsom coordinates with the appropriate utility companies to plan and potentially expand existing utilities in the project area, including water, sewer, telephone, gas, and electricity. All utility services should be able to accommodate the proposed project as no increased demand is expected except for propane, which the applicant will purchase.

**Evaluation of Utilities and Service Systems**

a) Require or result in the relocation or construction of new or expanded water, wastewater treatment or storm water drainage, electric power, natural gas, or telecommunications facilities, the construction or relocation of which could cause significant environmental effects?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Existing levels of service are expected to be adequate for most utilities, as the project applicant does not predict a significant increase in demand. The only exception is propane. The site does not currently have a gas line, so the applicant is proposing to construct two 250-gallon propane tanks adjacent to the shed to power the crematory.

Since existing levels of service are adequate for all requirements except gas, and the applicant would supply the only additional utility requirement (propane) independently of utility companies and in accordance with all manufacturer’s recommendations and safety practices, any impact would be less than significant.

b) Have sufficient water supplies available to serve the project and reasonably foreseeable future development during normal, dry and multiple dry years?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** The applicant does not predict a significantly increased demand for water as a result of this project. The project consists solely of the installation of a crematory and supporting systems, and would not require significantly increased water for sanitation, irrigation, consumption, or any other uses. Any impacts would be less than significant.

c) Result in a determination by the wastewater treatment provider which serves or may serve the project that it has adequate capacity to serve the project’s projected demand in addition to the provider’s existing commitments?

**No Impact.** The site does not currently have any sewer lines. No need for a sanitary sewer would arise as a result of this project. Any stormwater that accumulates onsite is disposed of locally into the adjacent Lake Natoma. There would not be an increase in the amount of impervious surfaces on the site apart from the addition of two 250-gallon propane tanks and a 38.3 square foot concrete foundation to support them immediately adjacent to one of the buildings. There are no foreseeable changes to the hydrologic regime or to stormwater quality or quantity. No impact would occur.

d) Generate solid waste in excess of State or local standards, or in excess of the capacity of local infrastructure, or otherwise impair the attainment of solid waste reduction goals?

**No Impact.** No increase in solid waste generation is expected as a result of this project apart from potentially a small and temporary increase during construction; any waste generated would be removed and disposed of by the contractor or the applicant. No impact would occur.
e) Comply with federal, state, and local management and reduction statutes and regulations related to solid waste?

No Impact. No change to the amount of solid waste generated on the property or its disposal is anticipated as a result of this project. The City of Folsom provides solid waste, recycling, and hazardous materials collection services to its residential and business communities. In order to meet the State mandated 50 percent landfill diversion requirements stipulated under AB 939, the City has instituted several community-based programs. The City offers a door-to-door collection program for household hazardous and electronic waste, in addition to six “drop-off” recycling locations within the City.

After processing, solid waste is taken to the Kiefer Landfill, the primary municipal solid waste disposal facility in Sacramento County. The landfill facility sits on a 1,084-acre site in the community of Sloughhouse and has a remaining capacity of 112.9 million cubic yards. The estimated cease operation date for the landfill is January 1, 2064 (CalRecycle 2018). Kiefer Landfill has sufficient capacity to accommodate the solid waste disposal needs of the City of Folsom. No impact would occur.
XX. WILDFIRE

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Environmental Setting

The project site is not located in or near a state responsibility area or lands classified as very high fire hazard severity zones (CAL FIRE 2020; CSG 2020).

Evaluation of Wildfire

a) Substantially impair an adopted emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?

b) Due to slope, prevailing winds, and other factors, exacerbate wildfire risks, and thereby expose project occupants to, pollutant concentrations from a wildfire or the uncontrolled spread of a wildfire?

c) Require the installation or maintenance of associated infrastructure (such as roads, fuel breaks, emergency water sources, power lines or other utilities) that may exacerbate fire risk or that may result in temporary or ongoing impacts to the environment?

d) Expose people or structures to significant risks, including downslope or downstream flooding or landslides, as a result of runoff, post-fire slope instability, or drainage changes?

No Impact. The project site is not located in or near a state responsibility area or lands classified as very high fire hazard severity zones. Therefore, no impact would occur for questions a) through d).
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Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation. The preceding analysis indicates that the proposed project has the potential to adversely affect air quality, cultural resources, and tribal cultural resources. See Sections 9.III, 9.V, and 9.XVIII of this Initial Study for discussion of the proposed project’s potential impacts on these environmental issue areas. With implementation of the mitigation measures identified in those Sections and reiterated below, and compliance with City programs and requirements identified in this report, impacts would be reduced to a less than significant level. No significant or potentially significant impacts would remain.

Evaluation of air quality impacts: Construction of the project would involve short-term/temporary emissions via the use of a crane for several hours to unload the chiller and crematory from the truck, and the use of a mini excavator or skid steer loader for a one day and one truck load of concrete to install a small pad for the two propane tanks.

According to the SMAQMD’s CEQA Guide, projects that are 35 acres or less in size generally will not exceed the SMAQMD’s construction NOX or PM thresholds of significance. However, all construction
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**Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation.** While the project would indirectly contribute to cumulative impacts associated with increased urban development in the City and region, these impacts have previously been evaluated by the City and considered in development of the City’s General Plan as set forth in this Initial Study. Key areas of concern are discussed in detail below.

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c) Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?

**Less Than Significant Impact.** Because of site conditions, existing City regulations, and regulation of potential environmental impacts by other agencies, the proposed project would not have the potential to cause substantial adverse effects on human beings as demonstrated in the evaluation contained in this Initial Study. Therefore, impacts would be less than significant.
10.0 MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM

A Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) has been prepared by the City per Section 15097 of the CEQA Guidelines and is presented in Appendix D.

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Appendix A

Figures
Source: Base Map Layers (Esri, USGS, NGA, NASA); Data [Sacramento County 2018]
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AREA OF WORK

PROPERTY LINE

LEGEND

DETAILED SITE PLAN

1" = 20'

Source: LEV Designs 2020

Figure 3

Detailed Site Plan

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Appendix B

Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment
December 4, 2020

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Subject: Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment

Dear Mr. Johnson:

HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. (HELIX) has assessed the air quality and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with the construction and operation of the proposed Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project (project), including a health risk assessment (HRA) to evaluate potential community health risks from the project’s emissions. The analysis has been prepared to support environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

PROJECT LOCATION

The project would be constructed within an approximately 12-acre parcel in the City of Folsom (City) in Sacramento County, California. The project site is located west of the intersection of Forrest Street/Natoma Street with Folsom Boulevard, within the existing Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery (See Figure 1, Regional Location, attached to this letter report).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project would consist of installation of an HCT Apex-250 crematory, a 10-foot by 15-foot cooler, and associated electrical and propane improvements in an existing metal shed on the grounds of the existing Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. The shed would be modified to accommodate the equipment, but the shed would not be expanded beyond the existing 1,071 square feet footprint. Two 250-gallon propane tanks would be installed on a small concrete pad along the northern side of the shed to provide power for the crematory (see Figure 2, Detailed Site Plan, attached to this letter report).
AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS

Environmental Setting

The City of Folsom lies within the Sacramento Valley Air Basin (SVAB), near the southeastern edge. The SVAB consists of all or parts of eleven counties spanning from Solano and Sacramento counties to the south, and Shasta County to the north. The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) is responsible for implementing emissions standards and other requirements of federal and state laws for Sacramento County, including the project area.

The climate of the SVAB is characterized by hot dry summers and mild rainy winters. During the year the temperature may range from 20 to 115 degrees Fahrenheit with summer highs usually in the 90s and winter lows occasionally below freezing. Average annual rainfall is about 20 inches with snowfall being very rare. The prevailing winds are moderate in strength and vary from moist breezes from the south to dry land flows from the north. The mountains surrounding the Sacramento Valley create a barrier to airflow, which can trap air pollutants in the valley when certain meteorological conditions are right and a temperature inversion (areas of warm air overlying areas of cooler air) exists. Air stagnation in the autumn and early winter occurs when large high-pressure cells lie over the valley. The lack of surface wind during these periods and the reduced vertical flow caused by less surface heating reduces the influx of outside air and allows pollutants to become concentrated in the air. The surface concentrations of pollutants are highest when these conditions are combined with increased levels of smoke or when temperature inversions trap cool air, fog and pollutants near the ground. The ozone season (May through October) in the SVAB is characterized by stagnant morning air or light winds with the breeze arriving in the afternoon out of the southwest from the San Francisco Bay. Usually the evening breeze transports the airborne pollutants to the north out of the SVAB. During about half of the days from July to September, however, a phenomenon called the “Schultz Eddy” prevents this from occurring. Instead of allowing for the prevailing wind patterns to move north carrying the pollutants out of the valley, the Schultz Eddy causes the wind pattern and pollutants to circle back southward. This phenomenon’s effect exacerbates the pollution levels in the area and increases the likelihood of violating the federal and state air quality standards (SMAQMD 2020a).

Regulatory Setting

Criteria Pollutants

Ambient air quality is described in terms of compliance with state and national standards, and the levels of air pollutant concentrations considered safe, to protect the public health and welfare. These standards are designed to protect people most sensitive to respiratory distress, such as asthmatics, the elderly, very young children, people already weakened by other disease or illness, and persons engaged in strenuous work or exercise. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), the federal agency that administers the Federal Clean Air Act of 1970, as amended in 1990, has established national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS) for several air pollution constituents known as criteria pollutants, including: ozone (O₃); carbon monoxide (CO); coarse particulate matter (PM₁₀; particles 10 microns or less) and fine particulate matter (PM₂.₅; particles 2.5 microns or less); sulfur dioxide (SO₂); and lead (Pb). As permitted by the Clean Air Act, California has adopted the more stringent California ambient air quality standards (CAAQS) and expanded the number of regulated air constituents. Ground-level ozone is not emitted directly into the environment but is generated from complex chemical and photochemical
reactions between precursor pollutants, primarily reactive organic gases (ROGs; also known as volatile organic compounds [VOCs]), \(^1\) and oxides of nitrogen (NO\(_X\)). PM\(_{10}\) and PM\(_{2.5}\) are generated from a variety of sources, including road dust, diesel exhaust, fuel combustion, tire and brake wear, construction operations and windblown dust. In addition, PM\(_{10}\) and PM\(_{2.5}\) can also be formed through chemical and photochemical reactions of precursor pollutants in the atmosphere.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is required to designate areas of the state as attainment, nonattainment, or unclassified for the ambient air quality standards. An “attainment” designation for an area signifies that pollutant concentrations do not violate the standard for that pollutant in that area. A “nonattainment” designation indicates that a pollutant concentration violated the standard at least once. An “unclassified” designation indicates that insufficient data was available to determine the status. The air quality attainment status of Sacramento County is shown in Table 1, *Sacramento County Attainment Status*.

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Sources: SMAQMD 2020a.

Sacramento County is designated as nonattainment for the state and federal ozone standards, the state PM\(_{10}\) standards, and the federal PM\(_{2.5}\) standards. The SMAQMD is responsible for implementing emissions standards and other requirements of federal and state laws in Sacramento County. Attainment plans for meeting the federal air quality standards are incorporated into the State Implementation Plan (SIP), which is subsequently submitted to the USEPA, the federal agency that administers the Federal CAA of 1970, as amended in 1990. The current air quality plan applicable to the project, the *Sacramento Regional 2008 NAAQS 8-Hour Ozone Attainment and Reasonable Further Progress Plan* (Regional Ozone Plan), was developed by the SMAQMD and adjacent air district to describe how the air districts in and near the Sacramento metropolitan area will continue the progress toward attaining state and national ozone air quality standards (SMAQMD 2017).

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\(^1\) CARB defines and uses the term ROGs while the USEPA defines and uses the term VOCs. The compounds included in the lists of ROGs and VOCs and the methods of calculation are slightly different. However, for the purposes of estimating criteria pollutant precursor emissions, the two terms are often used interchangeably.
Toxic Air Contaminants

Toxic air contaminants (TACs) are a diverse group of air pollutants that may cause or contribute to an increase in deaths or in serious illness or that may pose a present or potential hazard to human health. TACs can cause long-term chronic health effects such as cancer, birth defects, neurological damage, asthma, bronchitis, or genetic damage, or short-term acute effects such as eye watering, respiratory irritation (a cough), runny nose, throat pain, and headaches. TACs are considered either carcinogenic or noncarcinogenic based on the nature of the health effects associated with exposure to the pollutant. For carcinogenic TACs, there is no level of exposure that is considered safe and impacts are evaluated in terms of overall relative risk expressed as excess cancer cases per one million exposed individuals. Noncarcinogenic TACs differ in that there is generally assumed to be a safe level of exposure below which no negative health impact is believed to occur. These levels are determined on a pollutant-by-pollutant basis.

The Health and Safety Code (§39655[a]) defines TAC as “an air pollutant which may cause or contribute to an increase in mortality or in serious illness, or which may pose a present or potential hazard to human health.” All substances that are listed as hazardous air pollutants pursuant to subsection (b) of Section 112 of the CAA (42 United States Code Sec. 7412[b]) are designated as TACs. Under State law, the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), acting through CARB, is authorized to identify a substance as a TAC if it determines the substance is an air pollutant that may cause or contribute to an increase in mortality or an increase in serious illness, or that may pose a present or potential hazard to human health.

Crematories are a potential source of TACs as a result of trace metals and organic compounds that accumulate in the body throughout a person’s life and are released during combustion of human remains, and as a result of trace organic compounds that are formed in the combustion process. These TACs include: metals and inorganics (i.e., arsenic, beryllium, cadmium, chromium, copper, hydrogen fluoride, lead, mercury, nickel, selenium, zinc); VOCs (i.e., benzene, toluene, xylenes, vinyl chloride); aldehydes (i.e., acetaldehyde, formaldehyde); polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs); polychlorinated dibenzodioxins (dioxins; PCDDs); and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (furans; PCDFs). Prolonged exposure to significant concentrations of these TACs can result in a variety of adverse health effects including cancers, chronic conditions, and/or acute conditions, depending on the substance and level of exposure. Based on the results of the HRA, described below, hexavalent chromium and mercury are the primary drivers of the health risks from crematory emissions because the health risks from crematory emissions of these substances are one or more orders of magnitude greater than the health risks from other TACs in crematory emissions.

Increased Cancer Risks – Hexavalent Chromium. Hexavalent chromium is a toxic form of the element chromium. Hexavalent chromium compounds are man-made and widely used in many different industries. Prolonged exposure to airborne hexavalent chromium may result in lung cancer. Although exposure to high levels of airborne hexavalent chromium may result in irritation or damage to the nose, throat, and lungs, breathing small amounts of hexavalent chromium even for long periods does not cause respiratory tract irritation in most people (Occupational Safety and Health Administration [OSHA] 2006).

Non-Cancer Chronic and Acute Health Risks – Mercury. Mercury is a naturally occurring element that is found in its elemental form (commonly known as quicksilver), in organic compounds which accumulate
in fish and shellfish, and in inorganic compounds mainly occurring in contaminated drinking water. Mercury is a neurotoxin that can result in a range of chronic neurological disorders and developmental issues. The specific health effects of mercury are dependent on the form and amount of mercury in the exposure, the duration of the exposure, and the age of the individual (USEPA 2020).

**Sensitive Receptors**

Some land uses are considered more sensitive to air pollution than others due to the types of population groups or activities involved and are referred to as sensitive receptors. Examples of these sensitive receptors are residences, schools, hospitals, and daycare centers. CARB and the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) have identified the following groups of individuals as the most likely to be affected by air pollution: the elderly over 65, children under 14, infants (including in utero in the third trimester of pregnancy), and persons with cardiovascular and chronic respiratory diseases such as asthma, emphysema, and bronchitis (CARB 2005; OEHHA 2015).

Residential areas are considered sensitive receptors to air pollution because residents (including children and the elderly) tend to be at home for extended periods of time, resulting in sustained exposure to any pollutants present. Children and infants are considered more susceptible to health effects of air pollution due to their immature immune systems, developing organs, and higher breathing rates. As such, schools are also considered sensitive receptors, as children are present for extended durations and engage in regular outdoor activities.

The closest existing sensitive receptors to the project site are multiple single-family residences adjacent to the cemetery to the north, between 450 and 750 feet from the proposed crematory location, and mobile homes across Folsom Boulevard to the east, approximately 700 feet from the proposed crematory location, see Figure 3, *Receptor Locations*, attached to this letter report. The closest school to the project site is the Folsom Montessori School approximately 3,200 feet (0.6 miles) to the northeast.

**Methods**

**Criteria Pollutant Emissions**

Criteria pollutant and precursor emissions for long-term operation of the proposed crematory were calculated using propane combustion emissions factors from the USEPA AP-42 Compilation of Emissions Factors Chapter 1.5 (USEPA 2008), and crematory emissions factors provided by the SMAQMD, which combined USEPA AP-42 data and the USEPA Factor Information Retrieval Program (SMAQMD 2020b).

**Crematory Health Risks**

Potential health risks to nearby sensitive receptors from the emission of TACs during operation of the proposed crematory were analyzed after consultation with the SMAQMD and in accordance with the OEHHA Air Toxics Hot Spots Program Guidance Manual for Preparation of Health Risk Assessments (OEHHA 2015).
TAC Emissions

Toxic emissions from the cremation process were estimated based on emissions factors provided by the SMAQMD and on maximum cremation process rates provided by Caring Service Group of 200 pounds per hour and 100,000 pounds per year. The TAC emissions factors provided by SMAQMD were based on a data in a test report from CARB that measured emissions from two propane-fires crematories (SMAQMD 2020b).

Dispersion Modeling

Localized concentrations of TACs were modeled using Lakes AERMOD View version 9.8.3. The Lakes program utilizes USEPA’s AERMOD gaussian air dispersion model version 19191. Plot files from AERMOD using unitized emissions (one gram per second) from the crematory stack were imported into CARB’s Hotspots Analysis and Reporting Program (HARP), Air Dispersion Modeling and Risk Tool (ADMRT) version 19121. The ADMRT calculated ground-level concentrations of TACs utilizing the imported plot files and the annual and hourly emissions inventory (provided in detail in Attachment A to this letter report).

Source Parameters

Based on data provided by the crematory manufacturer, emissions from the crematory were modeled as a point source emitting from the exhaust stack at 19.5 feet above the ground. The stack diameter was set at 20 inches, the exhaust gas temperature was set to 1080 degrees Fahrenheit (°F), the gas exit velocity was set to 14.7 feet per second, and the stack was assumed to have a rain cap resulting in a near-zero initial vertical gas velocity. Downwash from the existing shed housing the proposed crematory was modeled using the Building Profile Input Program (BPIP – a building preprocessing program for AERMOD).

Meteorological Data

SMAQMD provides pre-processed meteorological data suitable for use with AERMOD (SMAQMD 2014) for projects within Sacramento County. The available data set most representative of conditions in the project vicinity was from the Sacramento Executive Airport station, approximately 19 miles southwest of the project site. The Sacramento Executive Airport set includes 5 years of data collected between 2010 to 2014. Rural dispersion coefficients were selected in the model to reflect the existing undeveloped and open nature of the immediate project vicinity. A wind rose for the Sacramento Executive Airport shows an average speed of 6.6 miles per hour from the south (Iowa Environmental Mesonet 2019). The wind rose graphic is included in Attachment B to this letter.

Terrain Data

United States Geological Survey (USGS) National Elevation Dataset (NED) files with a 10-meter resolution covering an area approximately 500 meters (1,640 feet) around the project site were used in the model to cover the analysis area. Terrain data was imported to the model using AERMAP (a terrain preprocessing program for AERMOD).
Receptor Modeling

To develop risk isopleths (linear contours showing equal level of risk) and ensure that the area of maximum impact was captured, receptors were placed in a cartesian grid 690 meters by 490 meters (approximately 2,264 feet by 1,608 feet), centered on the proposed crematory with a grid spacing of 10 meters (33 feet) and a receptor height (flagpole height) of 1.2 meters (4 feet) above the ground. Additional discrete receptors were placed at the residential property line of the 37 closest identified sensitive receptors and the 4 closest off-site worker buildings. See Figure 3 for the discrete receptor locations relative to the TAC source.

Risk Determination

Health risks resulting from localized concentration of TACs emitted by the proposed crematory were estimated using the ADMRT. The latest cancer slope factors, chronic Recommended Exposure Limits (REls), acute REls and exposure paths for all TACs, as designated by CARB, are included in the ADMRT. For the residential cancer risk, an exposure duration of 30 years was selected in accordance with the OEHHA (2015) guidelines. In accordance with OEHHA guidelines, the model conservatively assumes that residents would be standing and breathing outdoors at the location of the property line closest to the crematory every day between 17 and 21 hours per day (depending on the age group, starting with infants in utero in the third trimester of pregnancy) for 30 years. For off-site worker cancer risk, an exposure duration of 25 years was selected with an assumption of 8 hours per day, 5 days per week of exposure while standing outside. The mandatory minimum exposure pathways and the OEHHA derived breathing intake rate percentile method were selected.

Significance Criteria

The following potential air quality impacts are based on Appendix G of the State CEQA Guidelines, a significant impact is identified if the project would result in any of the following:

a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?
b) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?
c) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?
d) Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?

While the final determination of whether or not a project has a significant effect is within the purview of the lead agency pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15064(b), the SMAQMD has adopted screening tables and thresholds which lead agencies can use to determine the significance of a development project’s short-term construction and long-term operational pollutant emissions. The SMAQMD’s project-level thresholds of significance for mass emissions of criteria pollutant and precursors and exposure to TACs are shown in Table 2, SMAQMD Significance Thresholds (SMAQMD 2020c).
Table 2
SMAQMD SIGNIFICANCE THRESHOLDS

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<tr>
<th>Pollutant</th>
<th>Operational Emissions Threshold</th>
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<tr>
<td>ROG</td>
<td>65 pounds per day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>NO\textsubscript{X}</td>
<td>65 pound per day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PM10</td>
<td>80 pounds per day/14.6 tons per year(^1)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PM2.5</td>
<td>82 pounds per day/15 tons per year(^1)</td>
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<tr>
<td>TAC Exposure Incremental</td>
<td>10 in 1 million</td>
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<tr>
<td>Non-Cancer Hazard Index</td>
<td>1</td>
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</table>

Source: SMAQMD 2020c

\(^1\) Thresholds for PM is zero unless all feasible best available control technology/best management practices (BACT/BMPs) are applied.

**Air Quality Impact Analysis**

**a)** *Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?*

**Less than significant.** Consistency with the air quality plan is determined by whether the project would hinder implementation of control measures identified in the air quality plan or would result in growth of population or employment that is not accounted for in local and regional planning. The SMAQMD’s Regional Ozone Plan and the SIP are the applicable air quality plans for the projects developed within Sacramento County.

The project would be consistent with the General Plan land use designation of Open Space, but the project would require a conditional use permit to install and operate a crematory in the Open Space and Conservation zoning designation of the project site. The project would not result in population growth in the City and employment growth would be limited to a few personnel to operate the crematory. Therefore, the project would be consistent with the local and regional growth assumptions used in developing the Regional Ozone Plan and the SIP. In addition, as described in impact discussion b), below, the project would not result in a cumulatively considerable increase of any criteria pollutant. Therefore, the project would not conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan and the impact would be less than significant.

**b)** *Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard?*

**Construction (Short-Term) Emissions**

**Less than Significant.** Construction of the project would involve the use of a crane for several hours to unload the chiller and crematory from the truck, and the use of a mini excavator or skid steer loader for a day and one truck load of concrete to install a small pad for the two propane tanks.

According to the SMAQMD’s CEQA Guide, projects that are 35 acres or less in size generally will not exceed the SMAQMD’s construction NO\textsubscript{X} or PM thresholds of significance. However, all construction projects regardless of the screening level are required to implement the SMAQMD’s Basic Construction Emission Control Practices (also known as Best Management Practices [BMPs]; SMAQMD 2020b). The BMPs satisfy the requirements of SMAQMD’s Rule 403, *Fugitive Dust*, which requires every reasonable
precaution not to cause or allow the emissions of fugitive dust from being airborne beyond the property line from which the emission originates. ROG emissions during construction are generally associated with the application of architectural coatings. The project does not propose any new structures and would not require substantial amounts of painting and would not result in significant emissions of ROGs. Therefore, construction of the project would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant and the impact would be less than significant.

**Operation (Long-Term) Emissions**

**Less than Significant.** The project would result in long-term operational emissions from vehicles that drive to and from the project and from operation of the crematory.

Because there are no crematoriums currently operating in Folsom, demand for cremation services is filled by transporting the deceased to facilities outside of the City. Therefore, operations of the project would not result in new vehicle trips (nor the associated emissions in the region). Instead, the project would replace existing regional vehicle trips with shorter trips (and reduced associated emissions).

Operation of a propane-fired crematory would be considered a new stationary source of emissions. The project may be subject to SMAQMD’s Rule 201, *General Permit Requirements*, and Rule 202, *New Source Review*. The project would be required to implement best available control technology (BACT) for the minimization of emissions. BACT for crematories is incorporated into the product design in the form of controls which ensure maintenance of the correct temperatures and cycle times, and a secondary combustion chamber which ensures oxygenation and complete combustions of all fuels. As described in the Methods sections, above, Criteria pollutant and precursor emissions for long-term operation of the proposed crematory were calculated using propane combustion emissions factors from AP-42 and crematory emissions factors provided by SMAQMD. The project’s calculated criteria and precursors operational emissions are compared to the SMAQMD thresholds in Table 3, *Operational Criteria Pollutant and Precursor Emissions*, a printout of the calculation sheets is included in Attachment A to this letter.

### Table 3
**OPERATIONAL CRITERIA POLLUTANT AND PRECURSOR EMISSIONS**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Pollutant</th>
<th>Project Emissions</th>
<th>SMAQMD Threshold</th>
<th>Exceed Threshold?</th>
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<tr>
<td><strong>Daily Emissions (pounds per day)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>ROG</td>
<td>0.1</td>
<td>65</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>NO\textsubscript{x}</td>
<td>1.2</td>
<td>65</td>
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<tr>
<td>CO</td>
<td>0.9</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
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<tr>
<td>SO\textsubscript{x}</td>
<td>0.4</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>PM\textsubscript{10}</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>80</td>
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<td>PM\textsubscript{2.5}</td>
<td>0.3</td>
<td>82</td>
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<td><strong>Annual Emissions (tons per year)</strong></td>
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<tr>
<td>ROG</td>
<td>0.01</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
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<td>NO\textsubscript{x}</td>
<td>0.15</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td>CO</td>
<td>0.11</td>
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<td>SO\textsubscript{x}</td>
<td>0.05</td>
<td>None</td>
<td>No</td>
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</table>
As shown in Table 3, the project’s operational emissions of criteria pollutants and precursors would not exceed the SMAQMD daily or annual thresholds. Therefore, the project’s operational emissions would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant and impacts would be less than significant.

c) Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?

**Less than Significant.** Crematories are a potential source of TACs as a result of trace metals and organic compounds that accumulate in the body and are released during combustion, and trace organic compounds that are formed in the combustion process. An HRA was conducted to determine potential community health risks from exposure to TACs emitted from the proposed crematory, as described in the Methods section above.

Health risks associated with cancer from development projects are estimated using the incremental excess cancer risk expressed as cancer cases per one million exposed individuals. The incremental excess cancer risk is an estimate of the chance a person exposed to specific sources of a TACs may have of developing cancer from that exposure beyond the individual’s risk of developing cancer from existing background levels of pollutants in the ambient air. For context, the average cancer risk from TACs in the ambient air for an individual living in an urban area of California is 830 in 1 million (CARB 2015). Cancer risk estimates do not mean, and should not be interpreted to mean, that a person will develop cancer from estimated exposures to toxic air pollutants.

Health risks associated with chronic and acute effects from a development project are quantified using the maximum hazard index. A hazard index is the potential exposure to a substance divided by the reference exposure level (the level at which no adverse effects are expected). A hazard index of less than one indicates no adverse health effects are expected from the potential exposure to the substance. The maximum hazard index is the sum of hazard indices for pollutants with non-cancer health effects that have the same or similar adverse health effects.

The modeled point of maximum impact for the project (geographic point outside of the project site with the highest estimated incremental cancer risk and maximum hazard index) would be a point near the project boundary approximately 96 feet southeast of the proposed crematory exhaust stack, at approximately Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinates Zone 10, 657982 meters east, 4281757 meters north. The maximum health risk exposure at this point would be a residential incremental cancer risk of 3.2 in 1 million and a residential non-cancer chronic hazard index of 0.09. This point of maximum impact is in an area zoned as Open Space Conservation District containing dredge tailings from past gold mining. No residents or workers are anticipated to be at the point of maximum impact for prolonged periods.

The maximum estimated community incremental excess cancer, chronic and acute health risks due to exposure to the project TAC emissions from long term operation of the proposed crematory are
presented in Table 4, *Maximum Exposed Individual Incremental Cancer Health Risk and Hazard Index*. These estimates are conservative (health protective) and assume that the resident or worker is outdoors for the entire exposure period. The modeled locations of the Maximum Exposed Individual Resident (MEIR) and the point of maximum impact, along with the residential cancer risk isopleths (contours of equal risk), are shown in Figure 4, *Cancer Risks*. The complete HRA model output, including tables of health risks for all modeled discrete receptors and isopleth figures for incremental cancer risk, non-cancer chronic hazard index and acute hazard index are included as Attachment B to this letter report.

### Table 4
**MAXIMUM EXPOSED INDIVIDUAL INCREMENTAL CANCER RISK AND HAZARD INDEX**

<table>
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<tr>
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<th>MEI Resident Cancer Risk</th>
<th>MEI Worker Cancer Risk</th>
<th>MEI Resident Chronic Hazard Index</th>
<th>MEI Worker Chronic Hazard Index</th>
<th>MEI Acute Hazard Index</th>
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<tr>
<td>Results</td>
<td>0.6 in 1 million</td>
<td>&lt;0.1 in 1 million</td>
<td>0.02</td>
<td>0.02</td>
<td>0.20</td>
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<td>Threshold</td>
<td>10 in 1 million</td>
<td>10 in 1 million</td>
<td>1</td>
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<tr>
<td>Exceed Threshold?</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
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Source: Lakes AERMOD View version 9.8.3 and CARB ADMRT version 19121. See Attachment B for model inputs, outputs, and risk isopleths.

MEI = Maximum Exposed Individual.

As shown in Table 4, the maximum incremental increased cancer risks and maximum non-cancer chronic and acute hazard index due to exposure to TACs from long term operation of the proposed crematory would not exceed the SMAQMD thresholds. Therefore, operation of the project would not result in the exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial TAC concentrations and the impact would be less than significant.

d) Result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people?

Diesel equipment could generate diesel exhaust odors during construction activities. The generation of odors during the construction period would be temporary, would last for a few days and would be dispersed within a short distance from the active work area. Once operational, potential odors from human remains prior to cremation would be minimized by either by immediately processing remains or by temporarily storing remains in the proposed refrigeration chiller. Operation of the crematory would not be a significant source odors or other emissions because the BACT features of the crematory, including process temperature and cycle time controls, and secondary combustion chambers which ensure the complete combustion of all solids, liquids, and gaseous fuels. Therefore, the project would not result in other emissions (such as those leading to odors) adversely affecting a substantial number of people and the impact would be less than significant.

### GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS

**Environmental Setting**

Global climate change refers to changes in average climatic conditions on Earth including temperature, wind patterns, precipitation, and storms. Global temperatures are moderated by atmospheric gases.
These gases are commonly referred to as greenhouse gasses (GHGs) because they function like a greenhouse by letting sunlight in but preventing heat from escaping, thus warming the Earth’s atmosphere.

GHGs are emitted by natural processes and human (anthropogenic) activities. Anthropogenic GHG emissions are primarily associated with: the burning of fossil fuels during motorized transport; electricity generation; natural gas consumption; industrial activity; manufacturing; and other activities such as deforestation, agricultural activity, and solid waste decomposition.

The GHGs defined under California’s Assembly Bill (AB) 32, described below, include carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), nitrous oxide (N₂O), hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs), perfluorocarbons (PFCs), and sulfur hexafluoride (SF₆). Each GHG differs in its ability to absorb heat in the atmosphere based on the lifetime, or persistence, of the gas molecule in the atmosphere. Estimates of GHG emissions are commonly presented in carbon dioxide equivalents (CO₂e), which weigh each gas by its global warming potential (GWP). Expressing GHG emissions in CO₂e takes the contribution of all GHG emissions to the greenhouse effect and converts them to a single unit equivalent to the effect that would occur if only CO₂ were being emitted. GHG emissions quantities in this analysis are presented in metric tons (MT) of CO₂e. For consistency with United Nations Standards, modeling and reporting of GHGs in California and the U.S. use the GWPs defined in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change’s (IPCC) Fourth Assessment Report (IPCC 2007), as shown in Table 5, Global Warming Potential and Atmospheric Lifetimes.

### Table 5
GLOBAL WARMING POTENTIAL AND ATMOSPHERIC LIFETIMES

<table>
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<th>Greenhouse Gas</th>
<th>Atmospheric Lifetime (years)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Carbon Dioxide (CO₂)</td>
<td>50-200</td>
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<tr>
<td>Methane (CH₄)</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>25</td>
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<tr>
<td>Nitrous Oxide (N₂O)</td>
<td>114</td>
<td>298</td>
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<tr>
<td>HFC-134a</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>1,430</td>
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<td>PFC: Tetrafluoromethane (CF₄)</td>
<td>50,000</td>
<td>7,390</td>
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<tr>
<td>PFC: Hexafluoroethane (C₂F₆)</td>
<td>10,000</td>
<td>12,200</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sulfur Hexafluoride (SF₆)</td>
<td>3,200</td>
<td>22,800</td>
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HFC: hydrofluorocarbon; PFC: perfluorocarbon

### Regulatory Setting

The primary GHG reduction regulatory legislation and plans (applicable to the project) at the State, regional, and local levels are described below. Implementation of California’s GHG reduction mandates is primarily under the authority of the California Air Resources Board (CARB) at the state level, SMAQMD and the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) at the regional level, and the City at the local level.
Executive Order S-3-05

On June 1, 2005, Executive Order (EO) S-3-05 proclaimed that California is vulnerable to climate change impacts. It declared that increased temperatures could reduce snowpack in the Sierra Nevada, further exacerbate California’s air quality problems, and potentially cause a rise in sea levels. To avoid or reduce climate change impacts, EO S-3-05 calls for a reduction in GHG emissions to the year 2000 level by 2010, to year 1990 levels by 2020, and to 80 percent below 1990 levels by 2050. Executive Orders are not laws and can only provide the governor’s direction to state agencies to act within their authority to reinforce existing laws.

Assembly Bill 32 – Global Warming Solution Act of 2006

The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, widely known as AB 32, requires that CARB develop and enforce regulations for the reporting and verification of statewide GHG emissions. CARB is directed by AB 32 to set a GHG emission limit, based on 1990 levels, to be achieved by 2020. The bill requires CARB to adopt rules and regulations in an open public process to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective GHG emission reductions.

Executive Order B-30-15

On April 29, 2015, EO B-30-15 established a California GHG emission reduction target of 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030. The EO aligns California’s GHG emission reduction targets with those of leading international governments, including the 28 nation European Union. California is on track to meet or exceed the target of reducing GHGs emissions to 1990 levels by 2020, as established in AB 32. California’s new emission reduction target of 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030 will make it possible to reach the goal established by EO S-3-05 of reducing emissions 80 percent under 1990 levels by 2050.

Senate Bill 32

Signed into law by Governor Brown on September 8, 2016, Senate Bill (SB) 32 (Amendments to the California Global Warming Solutions Action of 2006) extends California’s GHG reduction programs beyond 2020. SB 32 amended the Health and Safety Code to include Section 38566, which contains language to authorize CARB to achieve a statewide GHG emission reduction of at least 40 percent below 1990 levels by no later than December 31, 2030. SB 32 codified the targets established by EO B-30-15 for 2030, which set the next interim step in the State’s continuing efforts to pursue the long-term target expressed in EO B-30-15 of 80 percent below 1990 emissions levels by 2050.

California Air Resources Board

On December 11, 2008, the CARB adopted the Climate Change Scoping Plan (Scoping Plan) as directed by AB 32. The Scoping Plan proposes a set of actions designed to reduce overall GHG emissions in California to the levels required by AB 32. Measures applicable to development projects include those related to energy-efficiency building and appliance standards, the use of renewable sources for electricity generation, regional transportation targets, and green building strategy. Relative to transportation, the Scoping Plan includes nine measures or recommended actions related to reducing vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and vehicle GHGs through fuel and efficiency measures. These measures would be implemented statewide rather than on a project by project basis (CARB 2008).
In response to EO B-30-15 and SB 32, all state agencies with jurisdiction over sources of GHG emissions were directed to implement measures to achieve reductions of GHG emissions to meet the 2030 and 2050 targets. The mid-term target is critical to help frame the suite of policy measures, regulations, planning efforts, and investments in clean technologies and infrastructure needed to continue driving down emissions (CARB 2014). In December 2017, CARB adopted the 2017 Climate Change Scoping Plan Update, the Strategy for Achieving California’s 2030 Greenhouse Gas Target, to reflect the 2030 target set by EO B 30 15 and codified by SB 32 (CARB 2017).

Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District

The SMAQMD provides direction and recommendations for the analysis of GHG impacts of a project and approach to mitigation measures in its CEQA Air Quality Guidelines (SMAQMD 2020a).

Sacramento Area Council of Governments

As required by the Sustainable Communities and Climate Protection Act of 2008 (SB 375), SACOG has developed the 2020 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Sustainable Communities Strategy. This plan seeks to reduce GHG and other mobile source emissions through coordinated transportation and land use planning to reduce VMT.

City of Folsom

As part of the 2035 General Plan, the City of Folsom prepared an integrated Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Strategy (GHG Strategy) to identify and reduce current and future community GHG emissions and those associated with the City’s municipal operations. Adopted on August 28, 2018, the GHG Strategy also serves as the City’s “plan for the reduction of greenhouse gases”, per Section 15183.5 of the CEQA Guidelines, which provides the opportunity for tiering and streamlining of project-level emissions for certain types of discretionary projects subject to CEQA review that are consistent with the General Plan. The GHG Strategy includes goals and strategies to reduce community and municipal GHG emissions, compared to the 2005 baseline year, by 15 percent in 2020, 51 percent in 2035, and 80 percent in 2050 (City 2018a; City 2018b).

Significance Criteria

The following potential air quality impacts are based on Appendix G of the State CEQA Guidelines, a significant impact is identified if the project would result in any of the following:

a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?

b) Conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?

In accordance with CEQA Guidelines Sections 15064(h)(3), 15130(d), and 15183(b), a project’s incremental contribution to a cumulative GHG emissions effect may be determined not to be cumulatively considerable if it complies with the requirements of a qualified plan for the reduction of
greenhouse gases. The City General Plan Policy NCR 3.2.8 provides criteria for project-level streamlining and tiering (City 2018a):

Projects subject to environmental review under CEQA may be eligible for tiering and streamlining the analysis of GHG emissions, provided they are consistent with the GHG reduction measures included in the GHG Strategy contained in the General Plan and EIR. The City may review such projects to determine whether the following criteria are met:

- Proposed project is consistent with the current general plan land use designation for the project site;
- Proposed project incorporates all applicable GHG reduction measures (as documented in the Climate Change Technical Appendix to the General Plan EIR) as mitigation measures in the CEQA document prepared for the project; and,
- Proposed project clearly demonstrates the method, timing and process for which the project will comply with applicable GHG reduction measures and/or conditions of approval, (e.g., using a CAP/GHG reduction measures consistency checklist, mitigation monitoring and reporting plan, or other mechanism for monitoring and enforcement as appropriate).

**Greenhouse Gas Emissions Impact Analysis**

a) Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment?

Less than significant. To determine consistency with the City’s GHG Strategy the criteria outlined in the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Strategy Consistency Checklist are shown and discussed in Table 6, *GHG Strategy Checklist* (City 2018c).

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<td>A. The proposed project is consistent with the City’s 2035 General Plan land use and zoning designations. If “Yes,” proceed to Part 2 of the Checklist.</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>The project would be located within the footprint of an existing building in an existing cemetery in an area designated Open Space in the General Plan and zoned Open Space and Conservation District (OSC). According to the City Zoning Code Chapter 17.39, a cemetery is an allowed use in the OSC zone with a use permit. While the project may require a new conditional use permit, the project would not require a General Plan amendment or rezone. The project would be consistent with existing project site use and land use designation the General Plan.</td>
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<tr>
<td>E-1: Improve Building Energy Efficiency in New Development</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project does not propose new buildings or substantial modifications to existing buildings.</td>
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<td>E-2: Water Heater Replacement in Existing Residential Development</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project is not an existing residential development.</td>
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<tr>
<td>E-3: Improve Building Energy Efficiency in Existing Development</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project’s proposed equipment would be installed within an existing metal shed and would not include any conditioned or occupied building space.</td>
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<tr>
<td>E-4: Increase Use of Renewable Energy in Existing Development</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project’s proposed equipment would be installed within an existing metal shed. No expansion or retrofit of existing buildings are proposed.</td>
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<td>T-1: Reduce VMT Through Mixed and High-Density Land Use</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project does not propose, and the project site open space land use designation and zoning does not permit, high density development and mixed uses.</td>
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<td>T-2: Improve Streets and Intersections for Multi-Modal Use and Access</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project does not include construction of new streets or improvement to existing streets.</td>
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<td>T-3: Adopt Citywide TDM Program</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project is not a residential, office, commercial retail, public facility or school development. The project would not include new parking spaces.</td>
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<td>T-5: Reduce Minimum Parking Standards</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project would not include new parking spaces.</td>
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<tr>
<td>T-6: Require the Use of High-Performance Renewable Diesel in Construction Equipment</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project would require minimal off-road diesel construction equipment. At most, a small excavator or skid steer loader may be used for a few hours to prepare an area for a small concrete pad.</td>
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<tr>
<td>T-8: Install Electric Vehicle Charging Stations</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project is not a residential development, does not propose new parking spaces, and existing parking spaces at the project building are less than 10.</td>
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<td>SW-1: Increase Solid Waste Diversion</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project would involve minimal construction activity and would not result in substantial construction waste which could be diverted.</td>
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<tr>
<td>W-1: Increase Water Efficiency in New Residential Development</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project is not a new residential development and the project does not propose new indoor or outdoor water uses.</td>
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<td>W-2: Reduce Outdoor Water Use</td>
<td>Not Applicable</td>
<td>The project does not propose substantial addition, alteration, or expansion to existing facilities or new outdoor water uses.</td>
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</table>

Source: City 2018c

As discussed in Table 6, the project would be consistent with the project site general plan land use designation and none of the GHG reduction measures listed in the GHG Strategy are applicable to the project. Therefore, the project would be consistent with the City’s GHG Strategy and the project would not generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment. The impact would be less than significant.
b) **Conflict with an applicable plan, policy, or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases?**

**Less Than Significant.** As discussed in criterion a), above, the project would be consistent with the City’s integrated General Plan and GHG Strategy. The GHG strategy was developed to meet the City’s GHG reduction targets which were formulated to meet the statewide GHG mandates of AB 32 and SB 32. Therefore, the project would not conflict with an applicable plan adopted for the purposes of reducing GHG emissions and the impact would be less than significant.

**SUMMARY**

The project’s emissions of criteria pollutants and precursors would be below SMAQMD thresholds and would result in a less than significant impact. Community health risks resulting from emissions of TACs from the project’s operation of a crematory were evaluated in an HRA following OEHHA guidelines. Project TAC emissions would not result in increased health risks beyond the SMAQMD thresholds and the impact would be less than significant. The project would not be a substantial source of objectional odors and odor impacts would be less than significant. The project would be consistent with the City’s integrated General Plan and GHG Strategy and GHG emissions impacts would be less than significant. The project would not conflict an applicable plan adopted for the purposes of reducing GHG emissions and the impact would be less than significant.

Sincerely,

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Air Quality Specialist

Victor Ortiz
Senior Air Quality Specialist

**Attachments:**

- Figure 1: Regional Location
- Figure 2: Detailed Site Plan
- Figure 3: Receptor Locations
- Figure 4: Cancer Risk
- Attachment A: Emissions Calculation Sheets
- Attachment B: HRA Model Output
- Attachment C: Addendum to the Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment
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Figure 1

Regional Location

Source: Base Map Layers (ESRI, 2013)
Figure 3
Receptor Locations

Source: Aerial (Maxar, 2019)

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Figure 4

Cancer Risks

Project Boundary
- Crematorium Location
- Point of Maximum Impact
- Maximum Exposed Individual Resident

Risk Isopleth
- 2 in 1 million Risk
- 1 in 1 million Risk
- 0.5 in 1 million Risk

Source: Aerial (Maxar, 2019)
# Crematory Criteria Pollutant Emissions

## Emissions from Propane Combustion

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1. Emissions factors for propane from USEPA AP-42 Chapter 1, External Combustion Sources, Section 1.5 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Combustion, Table 1.5-1.
2. Emissions from combustion of human remains provided by SMAQMD and are from USEPA Factor Information REtrieval (FIRE) Program Data System (3/08).
3. ROG fraction of TOC for propane combustion unavailable, ROG assumed to be equal to TOC.
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**Company Name:** HELIX Environmental Planning

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OUTPUT TYPE:
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MAX:
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DATE:
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Worker Cancer Risk

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HELIX Environmental Planning

DATE:
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### Date
11/21/2020

### Project No.
COF-32
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Windrose Plot [All Year]
Period of Record: 01 Jan 1970 - 14 Jan 2019

Generated: 14 Jan 2019

Summary

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**Wind Speed**
- Wind Speeds are Vector Mean (Not Scalar Means)

**Potential Temperature Profile**
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**HARP Database:** NA

### EMISSION INVENTORY

**No. of Pollutants:** 39  
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Attachment C

Addendum to the Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment
Dear Mr. Johnson:

HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. (HELIX) completed the *Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment* in July 2021 (HELIX 2021). Following the completion of the July 2021 analysis, Caring Services Group (Applicant) has requested alterations to the operating hours and number of daily cremations to occur on site. This Addendum provides an updated analysis based on these alterations.

**PREVIOUS ANALYSIS**

The July 2021 letter report assessed the air quality and greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with the construction and operation of the proposed Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project (project), including a health risk assessment (HRA) to evaluate potential community health risks from the project’s emissions. The analysis was prepared to support environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

The analysis assumed a maximum cremation process rate of 200 pounds per hour, 400 pounds per day, and 100,000 pounds per year based on information provided by Applicant. The project’s emissions of criteria pollutants and precursors were found to be below Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) thresholds and result in a less than significant impact. Community health risks resulting from emissions of toxic air contaminants (TACs) from the project’s operation of a crematory were evaluated in an HRA following the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) guidelines. Project TAC emissions were found to result in less than significant impacts. The project was not found to be a substantial source of objectional odors and odor impacts were disclosed as less than significant. The project was found to be consistent with the City’s integrated General Plan and GHG Strategy and GHG emissions impacts were disclosed as being less than significant. The project was found to not conflict with an applicable plan adopted for the purposes of reducing GHG emissions and the impact was disclosed as less than significant.
REVISED ANALYSIS

As discussed previously, the Applicant has requested alterations to the operating hours and number of daily cremations to occur on the site. The Applicant has requested an increase in the daily process rate from the previously analyzed 400 pounds per day to a new value of 800 pounds per day. There are no changes to the project that would affect the construction analysis previously conducted. The analysis that follows focuses on daily operational emissions.

The HRA previously conducted to evaluate potential community health risks from the project’s TAC emissions relies on the maximum hourly emissions rate and the average annual emissions generated by project operations. The hourly cremation process rate was previously set based on the maximum hourly capacity of the crematory; therefore, there is no change to the hourly process rate or maximum hourly emissions. The Applicant has not requested alteration to the total number of cremations to occur per year; therefore, there is no change to the annual cremation process rate or average annual emissions profile. Therefore, the potential health risks from the project would remain the same as previously disclosed.

Methods

Criteria pollutant and precursor emissions for long-term operation of the proposed crematory were calculated using propane combustion emissions factors from the USEPA AP-42 Compilation of Emissions Factors Chapter 1.5 (USEPA 2008), and crematory emissions factors provided by the SMAQMD, which combined USEPA AP-42 data and the USEPA Factor Information Retrieval Program (SMAQMD 2020a).

Air Quality Impact Analysis

Operation of a propane-fired crematory would be considered a new stationary source of emissions. The project may be subject to SMAQMD’s Rule 201, General Permit Requirements, and Rule 202, New Source Review. The project would be required to implement best available control technology (BACT) for the minimization of emissions. BACT for crematories is incorporated into the product design in the form of controls which ensure maintenance of the correct temperatures and cycle times, and a secondary combustion chamber which ensures oxygenation and complete combustions of all fuels. As described in the Methods sections, above, criteria pollutant and precursor emissions for long-term operation of the proposed crematory were calculated using propane combustion emissions factors from AP-42 and crematory emission factors provided by SMAQMD. The project’s calculated criteria and precursors operational emissions are compared to the SMAQMD thresholds in Table 1, Operational Criteria Pollutant and Precursor Emissions, and the calculation output sheets are included in Attachment A to this letter.
As shown in Table 1, the project’s operational emissions of criteria pollutants and precursors would not exceed the SMAQMD daily thresholds. Therefore, the project’s operational emissions would not result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant and impacts would be less than significant.

**SUMMARY**

The project’s daily emissions of criteria pollutants and precursors would remain below SMAQMD thresholds and would result in a less than significant impact. All other quantified emissions and significance determinations remain unchanged from what was presented in the July 2021 *Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment*.

Sincerely,

Victor Ortiz  
Senior Air Quality Specialist

**Attachments:**

Attachment A: Emissions Calculation Sheets
REFERENCES

Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD). 2020a. Electronic communications between HELIX Environmental Planning (Victor Ortiz) and the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (Venk Reddy); attachments to communications containing crematory emissions calculations. August and November.

2020b. SMAQMD Thresholds of Significance Table. April. Available at: http://www.airquality.org/LandUseTransportation/Documents/CH2ThresholdsTable4-2020.pdf.

## Crematory Criteria Pollutant Emissions

### Emissions from Propane Combustion

| KBTU/Cycle | 1,800 |
| KBTU/Gallon | 91.502 |
| Gallons/Cycle | 19.672 |
| Cycles/Day | 4 |
| Cycles/Year | 500 |

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**Notes:**
1. Emissions factors for propane from USEPA AP-42 Chapter 1, External Combustion Sources, Section 1.5 Liquefied Petroleum Gas Combustion, Table 1.5-1.
2. Emissions from combustion of human remains provided by SMAQMD and are from USEPA Factor Information Retrieval (FIRE) Program Data System (3/08).
3. ROG fraction of TOC for propane combustion unavailable, ROG assumed to be equal to...
Appendix C

Tribal Consultation Record
January 8, 2021

Robert Edgerton, AICP CEP
HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc.
11 Natoma Street, Suite 155
Folsom, California 95630

RE: Tribal Consultation Record for Compliance with Assembly Bill 52 and CEQA for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed Project, City of Folsom

Dear Mr. Edgerton:

The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), as amended in 2014 by Assembly Bill 52 (AB 52), requires that the City of Folsom provide notice to any California Native American tribes that have requested notice of projects subject to CEQA review, and consult with tribes that responded to the notice within 30 days of receipt with a request for consultation. Section 21073 of the Public Resources Code (PRC) defines California Native American tribes as “a Native American tribe located in California that is on the contact list maintained by the NAHC for the purposes of Chapter 905 of the Statutes of 2004.” This includes both federally and non-federally recognized tribes. For the City, these include the following tribes that previously submitted general request letters, requesting such noticing:

- Wilton Rancheria (letter dated January 13, 2020);
- Ione Band of Miwok Indians (letter dated March 2, 2016); and
- United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) of the Auburn Rancheria (letter dated November 23, 2015).

The purpose of consultation is to identify Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs) that may be significantly impacted by the proposed Project, and to allow the City to avoid or mitigate significant impacts prior to Project approval and implementation. Section 21074(a) of the PRC defines TCRs for the purpose of CEQA as:

Sites, features, places, cultural landscapes (geographically defined in terms of the size and scope), sacred places, and objects with cultural value to a California Native American tribe that are either of the following:

a) included or determined to be eligible for inclusion in the California Register of Historical Resources; and/or

b) included in a local register of historical resources as defined in subdivision (k) of Section 5020.1; and/or
a resource determined by the lead agency, in its discretion and supported by substantial evidence, to be significant pursuant to criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Section 5024.1. In applying the criteria set forth in subdivision (c) of Section 5024.1, for the purposes of this paragraph the lead agency shall consider the significance of the resource to a California Native American tribe.

Because the first two criteria also meet the definition of a Historical Resource under CEQA, a TCR may also require additional consideration as a Historical Resource. TCRs may or may not exhibit archaeological, cultural, or physical indicators and can only be identified by a culturally affiliated tribe, which has been determined under State law to be the subject matter expert for TCRs.

CEQA requires that the City initiate consultation with tribes at the commencement of the CEQA process to identify TCRs. Furthermore, because a significant effect on a TCR is considered a significant impact on the environment under CEQA, consultation is required to develop appropriate avoidance, impact minimization, and mitigation measures. Therefore, in accordance with the requirements summarized above, the City carried out, or attempted to carry out, tribal consultation for the Project. The methods and results of tribal consultation are summarized below, and a copy of the complete non-confidential administrative record is provided in Attachment A.

1.0 SUMMARY OF CONSULTATION

Within 14 days of initiating CEQA review for the Project, on November 25, 2020, the City sent Project notification letters to the three California Native American tribes named above, which had previously submitted general consultation request letters pursuant to Section 21080.3.1(d) of the PRC. Each tribe was provided a brief description of the Project and its location, the contact information for the City’s authorized representative, and a notification that the tribe has 30 days to request consultation.

1.1 Ione Band of Miwok Indians

The Ione Band of Miwok Indians did not respond to the City’s notification letter, and therefore, the threshold for carrying out tribal consultation with that tribe under PRC 21080.3.1(e) was not met.

1.2 UAIC

On December 11, 2020, and within the 30-day response timeframe, the City received an automated email from the United from UAIC that acknowledged receipt of the City’s notification letter, thanked the City for consulting with UAIC, and attached the tribe’s consultation record for the project. The response did not include any information on TCRs and indicated that the Tribal Historic Preservation Department would review the Project and respond; however, no further communication was received from UAIC. Because the tribe failed to provide comments or engage with the City pursuant to PRC 21082.3(d)(2), the City considers this consultation requirement complete.

1.3 Wilton Rancheria

On December 1, 2020, and within the 30-day response timeframe, Wilton Rancheria representative Mariah Mayberry responded to the City’s initial notification letter by email requesting to formally initiate
consultation under AB 52 on the Project. In her response, Ms. Mayberry stated that the tribe would like to discuss the type of environmental review that is being conducted for the Project, Project alternatives, any significant effects, and mitigation measures for any direct, indirect, or cumulative impacts that the Project may cause to tribal cultural resources. Ms. Mayberry also requested a copy of the cultural resource assessment and results of the record search. Although she did not indicate or suggest that there are TCRs within the Project Area, Ms. Mayberry provided Wilton Rancheria’s recommended mitigation measures for TCRs.

On December 14, 2020, the City formally initiated consultation with Wilton Rancheria by inviting Ms. Mayberry to a virtual meeting on December 17, 2020. In the City’s initiation letter to the tribe, Associate Planner Josh Kinkade further clarified that the purpose of the Project is to remodel an existing shed, and that there will be no mass grading or excavation associated with the Project. Additionally, Mr. Kinkade provided a link to the Cultural Resources Inventory Report, prepared by ECORP Consulting, Inc. (2020) and a copy of the meeting agenda. Mr. Kinkade requested that if Ms. Mayberry is unable to attend that she contact him to reschedule the meeting to another time that is mutually agreeable.

On December 15, 2020, Ms. Mayberry contacted the City to indicate that she is unavailable to meet at the scheduled time. The City offered another meeting on January 5, 2021, at 8:30 a.m. On January 4, 2021, Ms. Mayberry contacted the City and asked that the meeting be scheduled for 10:00 a.m. instead, and the City accepted. After Ms. Mayberry or any other tribal representatives failed to report to the meeting at the scheduled time, the meeting was terminated by the City after 20 minutes. At approximately noon on January 5, Ms. Mayberry emailed the City to request availability for January 6, and the City offered 3:30 p.m. for another meeting. Ms. Mayberry did not attend the meeting and did not respond to the City to reschedule again. Because the tribe failed to engage meaningfully with the City after a reasonable and good-faith effort composed of multiple attempts to meet with the tribe, pursuant to PRC 21082.3(d)(2), the City considers this consultation requirement complete. Should Wilton Rancheria, or any other culturally affiliated tribe, submit public comments, the City will consider them in accordance with Section 11(b) of AB 52; however, after completing the required notification and consultation procedures specified in AB 52 and the PRC, the City has not been provided any information about TCRs that could be affected by the proposed Project. Therefore, the determination of impacts to TCRs is drawn from other lines of evidence, as summarized below.

1.4 Recommended Findings

Information about potential impacts to TCRs was drawn from the ethnographic context, the results of a search of the Sacred Lands File of the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC), and the results of a cultural resources inventory prepared by ECORP (2020). The methods and results of these efforts are provided in ECORP 2020 and are hereby incorporated by reference. In summary, the ethnographic information reviewed for the Project, including ethnographic maps, does not identify any villages, occupational areas, or resource procurement locations in or around the current Project Area. In addition, the Sacred Lands File failed to identify any sacred lands or tribal resources in or near the Project Area. The cultural resources survey did not reveal any Native American archaeological sites within or adjacent to the proposed Project Area. Finally, as summarized above, two of the three tribes notified of the Project responded to the City’s offer to consult; however, none provided any information about TCRs in the
Project Area. This is not unexpected, as the Project is in a highly disturbed environment and does not involve substantial ground disturbance. As noted in the City's initial notification letter and follow up correspondence with tribes:

"the purpose of this project is to remodel an existing shed to install crematory equipment inside of it, which is a high-temperature furnace with associated equipment. The existing driveway area adjacent to the shed will be subject to minor improvements, but there is no mass grading or major excavation associated with the remodeling of the shed. There will be no new construction of buildings or structures" (Josh Kinkade to Mariah Mayberry, December 14, 2020).

In reviewing the lines of evidence summarized above, this Project will not have an impact on known TCRs. There exists an extremely low potential for the discovery of previously unknown TCRs during Project construction, but if TCRs were to be encountered, the Project activity could result in a significant impact. Implementation of unanticipated discovery procedures, as provided in mitigation measure TCR-1 below, would reduce that impact to less than significant.

TCR-1: Unanticipated Discovery of Tribal Cultural Resources. If potentially significant Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs) are discovered during ground disturbing construction activities, all work shall cease within 50 feet of the find. A Native American Representative from traditionally and culturally affiliated Native American Tribes that requested consultation on the project shall be immediately contacted and invited to assess the significance of the find and make recommendations for further evaluation and treatment, as necessary. If deemed necessary by the City, a qualified cultural resources specialist meeting the Secretary of Interior’s Standards and Qualifications for Archaeology, may also assess the significance of the find in joint consultation with Native American Representatives to ensure that Tribal values are considered. Work at the discovery location cannot resume until the City, in consultation as appropriate and in good faith, determines that the discovery is either not a TCR, or has been subjected to culturally appropriate treatment, if avoidance and preservation cannot be accommodated.

If you have any questions, you may reach me by phone at (916) 782-9100 or by email at LWestwood@ecorpconsulting.com.

Sincerely,

Lisa Westwood, RPA
Vice President and Director of Cultural Resources

Attachment A: Non-Confidential Tribal Consultation Record
REFERENCES CITED:

City received a general request letter dated November 23, 2015 from United Auburn Indian Community.

City received a general request letter dated January 13, 2020 from Wilton Rancheria.

City received a general request letter dated March 2, 2016 from Ione Band of Miwok Indians.

November 25, 2020: Initial notices were mailed to UAIC, Ione, and Wilton Rancheria. The 30-day response window closes on December 25, 2020.

December 1, 2020: City received an email from Ms. Mariah Mayberry with Wilton Rancheria formally requesting consultation under AB 52. In her response, Ms. Mayberry requested the opportunity for a tribal representative to participate in cultural resource surveys and requested copies of all cultural resource assessments and results of record searches. The tribe also provided their recommended mitigation measures to the City.

December 11, 2020: City staff received an email from UAIC containing a PDF form that acknowledged receipt of the notice of opportunity to consult on the project, but the tribe did not request nor defer to engage in consultation.

December 14, 2020: City initiated consultation with Wilton by email, invited to consultation meeting on 12/17. Wilton requested to reschedule to 1/5/2021.

January 5, 2021: City held consultation meeting, however Wilton did not attend.
November 23, 2015

City of Folsom Representative
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

RE: AB 52 Notification Request, California Environmental Quality Act Public Resources Code section 21080.3, subd. (b) Request for Formal Notification of Proposed Projects within the United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) of the Auburn Rancheria’s Geographic Area of Traditional and Cultural Affiliation

Dear City of Folsom Representative:

In accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1, subd. (b), The United Auburn Indian Community (UAIC) of the Auburn Rancheria, which is traditionally and culturally affiliated with a geographic area within your agency’s geographic area of jurisdiction, requests formal notice of and information on proposed projects for which your agency will serve as a lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000 et seq.

Enclosed with this letter is a copy of a map that depicts the ancestral territory that the UAIC is traditionally and culturally affiliated with. UAIC’s traditionally and culturally affiliated geographic area is supported by, and has been developed through, multiple lines of evidence including oral tradition, history, ethnography, geography, linguistic, kinship, biology, archaeology, anthropology, folklore, other relevant information and expert opinion, and Congressional action through the Auburn Indian Restoration Act of 1994 (H.R. 4228 [103rd]).

Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, subd. (b), and until further notice, we hereby designate the following person as the tribe’s lead contact person for purposes of receiving notices of proposed projects from your agency:

Lead Contact:
Gene Whitehouse,
Chairman
10720 Indian Hill Road
Auburn, CA 95603
916-883-2320
We request that all notices be sent via certified U.S. Mail with return receipt and that your notices specify a lead contact person for your agency. Following receipt and review of the information your agency provides, within the 30-day period outlined in Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, subd. (d), the UAIC may request consultation, as defined by Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, subd. (b), pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2 to discuss issues including the type of environmental review to be conducted, project alternatives, significant effects of the project and mitigation measures for any project impacts (direct, indirect and cumulative) a specific project may cause to tribal cultural resources.

For your information, UAIC's policy is to be present during project cultural resource surveys, including initial pedestrian surveys, to identify tribal cultural resources. UAIC's policy is also to be provided all existing cultural resource assessments, including the request for and results of any records search that may have been conducted prior to the initial survey or consultation meeting. Finally, UAIC’s general policy is preservation in place and avoidance of tribal cultural resources, and any subsurface testing or data recovery must not occur without first consulting with UAIC and receiving UAIC’s written consent.

We recommend that your agency retain this correspondence in your permanent files. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Marcos Guerrero, Cultural Resources Manager, at (530) 883-2364 or by email at mguerrero@auburnrancheria.com.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Gene Whitehouse,
Chairman

CC: Jason Camp, THPO
    Marcos Guerrero, CRM
    Cynthia Gomez, NAHC
UAIC Geographic Area of Traditional and Cultural Affiliation

(for the purposes of California AB 52)

This area includes all of Amador, El Dorado, Nevada, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter and Yuba counties as well as portions of Butte, Plumas, San Joaquin, Sierra, Solano, and Yolo counties.

The UAIC Geographic Area of Traditional and Cultural Affiliation boundary line is dashed to indicate that the boundary may change as affiliated resources are discovered or added, for example Valley and Sierra Miwok territory extends farther south.

This map is no substitute for direct consultation with UAIC prior to considering any proposed project or commencing any archaeological activities in or around sensitive areas.

Note: While we make every effort to identify Tribal Cultural Resources that exist within the UAIC Geographic Area of Traditional and Cultural Affiliation, it is highly probable that there are additional, older sites that we have not yet identified due to restricted access or other reasons or that agricultural or construction activities have distributed burials and cultural materials beyond the previously known boundaries of these sites. Even if these materials are in a disturbed condition, they still retain cultural value to UAIC and should be respected and protected. Because of this, thorough survey with a qualified Native American Monitor to confirm site boundaries and search for unknown sites is critical. This survey should be conducted after consultation with the Tribe and prior to the final determination of the type of environmental document to be used.
January 13, 2020

City of Folsom
50 Natoma St
Folsom, CA 95630

RE: California Environmental Quality Act Public Resources Code section 21080.3, subd. (b) Request for Formal Notification of Proposed Projects Within Wilton Rancheria Tribe’s Geographic Area of Traditional and Cultural Affiliation

Dear Sir or Madam,

As of the date of this letter, in accordance with Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1, subd. (b), Wilton Rancheria, which is traditionally and culturally affiliated with a geographic area within your agency’s geographic area of jurisdiction, requests formal notice of and information on proposed projects for which your agency will serve as a lead agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code section 21000 et seq.

Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, subd. (b), and until further notice, we hereby designate the following person as the tribe’s lead contact person for purposes of receiving notices of proposed projects from your agency:

Attn: Chairman Raymond C. Hitchcock / Director
Ralph Hatch Wilton Rancheria, Cultural Preservation Department
9415 Rancheria Drive
Wilton, CA 95693 crd@wiltonrancheria-nsn.gov rhatch@wiltonrancheria-nsn.gov

We request that all notices be sent via certified U.S. Mail with return receipt. Following receipt and review of the information your agency provides, within the 30-day period proscribed by Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, subd. (d), the Wilton Rancheria may request consultation, as defined by Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, subd. (b), pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2 to mitigate any project impacts a specific project may cause to tribal cultural resources.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact our lead contact person listed above.

Respectfully,

Ralph Hatch
Executive Director of Cultural Preservation
2 March 2016

City of Folsom  
Community Development Dept.  
David Miller Director  
50 Natoma St.  
Folsom Calif. 95630

RE: Formal Request for Tribal Consultation Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1, subds. (b), (d) and (e) for City of Folsom

Dear Mr. Miller

This letter constitutes a formal request for tribal consultation for the first phase of planning under the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1 subdivisions (b), (d) and (e)) for the mitigation of potential project impacts to tribal cultural and environmental resources for the above referenced project. The Ione Band of Miwok Indians requests formal notice and information for all projects within your agency’s jurisdiction.

The Ione Band of Miwok Indians requests consultation on the following topics listed below, which shall be included in consultation if requested (Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2, subd. (a)):

- Alternatives to the project
- Recommended mitigation measures
- Significant effects of the project

The Ione Band of Miwok Indians also requests consultation on the following discretionary topics listed below (Public Resources Code section 21080.3.2, subd. (a)):

- Type of environmental review necessary
- Significance of tribal cultural resources, including any regulations, policies or standards used by your agency to determine significance of tribal cultural resources
- Significance of the project’s impacts on tribal cultural resources
- Project alternatives and/or appropriate measures for preservation or mitigation that we may recommend, including, but not limited to:

  (1) Avoidance and preservation of the resources in place, pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21084.3, including, but not limited to, planning and construction, geotechnical tests, utility location, and pedestrian surveys to avoid harming the resources (including water, endangered tribal plant resources, and endangered animal resources), and to protect the cultural and natural context, or planning greenspace, parks or other open space, to incorporate the resources with culturally appropriate protection and management criteria;
(2) Treating the resources with culturally appropriate dignity, taking into account the tribal cultural values and meaning of the resources, including but not limited to the following:

- Protecting the cultural character and integrity of the resource
- Protecting the traditional use of the resource
- Protecting the confidentiality of the resource

(3) Permanent conservation easements or other interests in real property, with culturally appropriate management criteria for the purposes of preserving or utilizing the resources or places

(4) Protecting the resource

Additionally, the Lone Band of Miwok Indians would like to receive any cultural resources assessments or other assessments that have been completed on all or part of the project's potential "area of project effect" (APE), including, but not limited to:

1. The results of any record search that may have been conducted at an Information Center of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS), including, but not limited to:

   - A listing of any and all known cultural resources that have already been recorded on or adjacent to the APE
   - Copies of any and all cultural resource records and study reports that may have been provided by the Information Center as part of the records search response
   - Notification of whether the probability is low, moderate, or high that cultural resources are located in the APE
   - Notification if a records search indicates a low, moderate or high probability that unrecorded cultural resources are located in the potential APE
   - Notification if a survey is recommended by the Information Center to determine whether previously unrecorded cultural resources are present

2. The results of any archaeological inventory survey that was conducted, including:

   - Any report that may contain site forms, site significance, and suggested mitigation measures
   - All information regarding site locations, Native American human remains, and associated funerary objects; such information should be placed in a separate confidential addendum, and not be made available for public disclosure in accordance with Government Code Section 6254.10.
3. The results of any Sacred Lands File (SFL) check conducted through the Native American Heritage Commission. The request form can be found at http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/env/cultural/#templates under Compliance Document Templates. Click on the link Sacred Lands Inventory Form to download the pdf. USGS 7.5- minute quadrangle name, township, range, and section are required for the search.

4. Any ethnographic studies conducted for any area including all or part of the potential APE

5. Any geotechnical reports regarding all or part of the potential APE

We would like to remind your agency that CEQA Guidelines section 15126.4, subdivision (b)(3) states that preservation-in-place is the preferred manner of mitigating impacts to archaeological sites. Section 15126.4, subd. (b)(3) of the CEQA Guidelines has been interpreted by the California Court of Appeal to mean that “feasible preservation in place must be adopted to mitigate impacts to historical resources of an archaeological nature unless the lead agency determines that another form of mitigation is available and provides superior mitigation of impacts.”


The Lone Band of Miwok Indians expects to begin consultation within 30 days of your receipt of this letter. Please contact the Cultural Committee of the Lone Band of Miwok Indians.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Randy Yonemura
Cultural Committee Chair
P.O. Box 699
9252 Bush St., Suite 2
Plymouth, CA 95669
Tel. (209) 245-5800
Email: Randy_yonemura@yahoo.com
FYI

Scott A. Johnson, AICP
Planning Manager
Community Development Department
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630
O: 916.461.6206

From: Cynthia Turner <Cynthia@ionemiwok.net>
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2019 8:41 AM
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: New Contact Info

Good Morning

We received your letter; Randy Yonemura is no longer our Chairwoman at the Ione Band Of Miwoks.

The new contact is Sara D. Setshwaelo – Chairwomen

Thank You,

Cynthia Turner
Administrative Assistant
Office: (209) 245-5800 x403
Cell: (209)418-8435

Ione Bank of Miwok Indians
9252 Bush Street
PO Box 699
Plymouth, CA 95669
November 25, 2020

Sara D. Setshwaelo
Chairwoman
Ione Band of Miwok Indians
9252 Bush Street
P.O. Box 699
Plymouth, CA 95669

RE: Notice of Opportunity to Consult under Assembly Bill 52 for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed Project, City of Folsom (File # PN 20-160)

Dear Chairwoman Setshwaelo:

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Associate Planner
City of Folsom
November 25, 2020

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1201 FORREST ST
IN
FOLSOM, CA 95630

PROJECT DESCRIPTION & SCOPE OF WORK

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APN: 07002600010000

CONSTRUCTION TYPE: VB

INC. OF FLOORS: 1

LOT AREA: 320581 SQ. FT. / 12.82 ACRES

GSPublisherVersion 0.0.100.98

OWNER

LEVEL DESIGNS

B. 2019 CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE (CC)

D. 2019 CALIFORNIA ELECTRIC CODE (EEC)

C. 2019 CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE (CMC)

G. 2019 GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE (GB)

AND SPECIFICATIONS. REPORT DISCREPANCIES TO THE ARCHITECT IMMEDIATELY.

GOVERNING AUTHORITIES AND CODES TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER DRAWINGS

J. ALL OTHER APPLICABLE CODES AND ORDINANCES (CITY AND COUNTRY).

DEFERRED SUBMITTALS:

SEPARATE PERMIT:

VICINITY MAP

1201 FORREST ST,
FOLSOM, CA 95630

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LAKESIDE MEMORIAL
LAWN CEMETERY

LEV DESIGNS

916-312-2131

support@levdesigns.com

916-312-2131

FILE

DATE: 95630

APN: 0700260001000

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SUBMITTALS:

SPECIAL INSPECTIONS:

SQUARE FOOTAGE BREAKDOWN

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DATE:
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EXISTING FLOOR PLAN

1/4" = 1'-0"

FLOOR PLAN NOTES:
1. WINDOWS AND DOORS NOTED IN FEET (I.E. 3040=3'-0"X4'-0").
2. DOORS ARE NOTED WITHOUT FRAME. CONTRACTOR TO VERIFY WITH MANUFACTURER FOR DOOR FRAME SIZE PRIOR TO FRAMING DOOR OPENINGS.
3. DO NOT SCALE OFF PLANS.
4. ALL DIMENSIONS ARE TO FACE OF STUD. U.N.O.
5. WALL INSULATION TO BE A MINIMUM OF R -13 BATTING AND ATTIC INSULATION TO BE R-38 BLOWN IN, BATT OR RIGID
6. ON SITE VERIFICATION OF ALL DIMENSIONS AND CONDITIONS SHALL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTRACTOR AND THE SUB-CONTRACTORS. NOTED DIMENSIONS TAKE PRECEDENT OVER SCALE.
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10720 Indian Hill Rd.
Auburn, CA 95603

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10720 Indian Hill Rd.
Auburn, CA 95603

**Prepared by:**
[Signature]

**Date of Delivery:**
11/30

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Sent: Thursday, December 10, 2020 11:12 AM
To: Lisa Westwood
Subject: FW: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project
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Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Lisa,

Hoping you will be able to provide some guidance on how to respond to this letter. I don't believe we will agree to require paid monitors for this project.

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9728 Kent Street | Elk Grove | CA | 95624
mmayberry@wiltonrancheria-nsn.gov
wiltonrancheria-nsn.gov
Dear Ms. Mayberry,

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https://ecorpconsulting-my.sharepoint.com/:f:/p/lwestwood/EhToQu3F6Y5lvGZuP8lACEoB5nGB7feXGXTV445bLeBiRA?e=0on1Ef
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Associate Planner

Community Development Department  
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O: 916.461.6209

From: Cultural Resource Department Inbox <crd@wiltonrancheria-nsn.gov>  
Sent: Tuesday, December 1, 2020 12:31 PM  
To: Josh Kinkade <jkinkade@folsom.ca.us>  
Cc: Cultural Resource Department Inbox <crd@wiltonrancheria-nsn.gov>  
Subject: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project

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From: Lisa Westwood
Sent: Friday, December 11, 2020 3:36 PM
To: Shannon Joy
Subject: FW: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed (PN 20-160) Notification Confirmation
Attachments: Thank you for consulting with the UAIC.pdf

Can you log this in as a response? See below.

Lisa

From: Lisa Westwood
Sent: Friday, December 11, 2020 3:36 PM
To: Robert Edgerton (RobertE@helixepi.com) <roberte@helixepi.com>
Subject: FW: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed (PN 20-160) Notification Confirmation

FYI, UAIC responded with a simple acknowledgement that they logged in our letter – no response regarding consultation yet.

From: Josh Kinkade <jkinkade@folsom.ca.us>
Sent: Friday, December 11, 2020 3:31 PM
To: [Redacted]
Cc: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: FW: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed (PN 20-160) Notification Confirmation

Here is another letter that came in.

Thanks,

Josh Kinkade
Associate Planner
Community Development Department
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630
O: 916.461.6209

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From: DoNotReply@auburnrancheria.com <DoNotReply@auburnrancheria.com>
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The United Auburn Indian Community thanks you for your commitment to consultation for the following project:

Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed (PN 20-160)

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Our Tribal Historic Preservation Department will review the project and respond as soon as possible. If you need to speak with someone regarding the project or your submission, please contact the Tribal Office at (530) 883-2390.

The United Auburn Indian Community is now accepting electronic consultation requests and project notifications. To learn more, click here.

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Thank you for consulting with the UAIC
Please complete one form for each notification.

How to submit a consultation notification or project update:

1. One form must be completed for each project.
2. Forms cannot be saved and completed at a later time.
3. Include all relevant project information.
4. Upload file attachments. Multiple files can be attached.
5. Submit form.
6. You will receive a submission receipt via email when submission is complete. UAIC prefers our online submission form over certified or hard copy letters.

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Contact Information

Consulting on Behalf of

City of Folsom
Lead Agency, Consulting Firm, Tribe

Mailing Address

Street Address
Address Line 2
City
Postal / Zip Code
State / Province / Region

Point of Contact for Consultation
Josh Kinkade
Primary Contact Name

Point of Contact Email
jkinkade@folsom.ca.us

Second Point of Contact
☐ Yes
Is there more than one point of contact for this project?

Regulatory

Consulting Under
This project fall under the following regulatory requirements:
☐ Federal
☐ State of California
☐ Federal and State
☐ Other

California Regulations
Select all that apply
☐ Assembly Bill 52 (PRC §21080.3.1)
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AGENDA

City of Folsom and Wilton Rancheria AB 52 Consultation Meeting for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Storage Shed Project

Date: January 5, 2021
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Microsoft Teams
Host: Josh Kinkade, City of Folsom, (916) 461-6209

Meeting Objective: for the City of Folsom to share project information with the tribe and receive information from the tribe about potential impacts to tribal cultural resources to inform the CEQA document.

Overall Goal: for the City to make a decision about the project in a manner that is mindful of, and takes into consideration, impacts to tribal cultural resources.

Agenda:

1. Introductions

2. Project Orientation and Overview (City)
   o Purpose and Need for the Proposed Project
   o Project Description
   o Type and Scope of Environmental Review under CEQA
   o Alternatives and Design Options Considered
   o Anticipated Project Schedule
   o Summary of the Cultural Resources Survey (transmitted electronically to Wilton Rancheria on December 14, 2020)

3. Discussion of Tribal Cultural Resources (Wilton Rancheria)
   o Any Tribal Cultural Resources within the Project Area? If so:
     ▪ Description and Location
     ▪ Significant Effects, if any?
     ▪ Opportunities to Avoid, if present?
     ▪ Mitigation Measures for any Direct, Indirect, or Cumulative Impacts, if they will occur?

4. Action Items
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Appendix D

Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program
Purpose of Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program: The California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21081.6, requires that a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program (MMRP) be established upon completing findings. CEQA stipulates that “the public agency shall adopt a reporting or monitoring program for the changes to the project which it has adopted or made a condition of project approval in order to mitigate or avoid significant effects on the environment. The reporting or monitoring program shall be designed to ensure compliance during project implementation.”

This MMRP has been prepared in compliance with Section 21081.6 of CEQA to ensure that all required mitigation measures are implemented and completed according to schedule and maintained in a satisfactory manner during the construction and operation of the project, as required. A table (attached) has been prepared to assist the responsible parties in implementing the MMRP. The table identifies individual mitigation measures, monitoring/mitigation timing, the responsible person/agency for implementing the measure, and space to confirm implementation of the mitigation measures. The numbering of mitigation measures follows the numbering sequence found in the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration.

The City of Folsom is the lead agency for the project under CEQA and shall administer and implement the MMRP. The City is responsible for review of all monitoring reports, enforcement actions, and document disposition. The City shall rely on information provided by the project site observers/monitors (e.g., construction manager, project manager, biologist, archaeologist, etc.) as accurate and up-to-date and shall provide personnel to field check mitigation measure status, as required.
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City approval of grading and/or improvement plans for the proposed project shall include the following SMAQMD Basic Construction Emission Control Practices:

- All exposed surfaces shall be watered two times daily. Exposed surfaces include, but are not limited to soil piles, graded areas, unpaved parking areas, staging areas, and access roads.
- Cover or maintain at least two feet of free board space on haul trucks transporting soil, sand, or other loose material on the site. Any haul trucks that would be traveling along freeways or major roadways shall be covered.
- Use wet power vacuum street sweepers to remove any visible trackout mud or dirt onto adjacent public roads at least once a day. Use of dry power sweeping is prohibited.
- Limit vehicle speeds on unpaved roads to 15 miles per hour.
- All roadways, driveways, sidewalks, parking lots shall be paved as soon as possible. In addition, building pads shall be laid as soon as possible after grading unless seeding or soil binders are used.
- Minimize idling time either by shutting equipment off when not in use or reducing the time of idling to 5 minutes (as required by the state airborne toxics control measure [Title 13, Section 2485 of the California Code of Regulations]). Provide clear signage that posts this requirement for workers at the entrances to the site.
- Maintain all construction equipment in proper working condition according to manufacturer’s specifications. The equipment shall be checked by a certified mechanic and determine to be running in proper condition before it is operated.
## CULTURAL RESOURCES

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treatment measures, if the find is determined to be a Historical Resource under CEQA, as defined in Section 15064.5(a) of the CEQA Guidelines or a historic property under Section 106 NHPA, if applicable. Work may not resume within the no-work radius until the City, through consultation as appropriate, determines that the site either: 1) is not an Historical Resource under CEQA, as defined in Section 15064.5(a) of the CEQA Guidelines; or 2) that the treatment measures have been completed to its satisfaction.

**Mitigation Measure CUL-03: Avoid and minimize impacts related to accidental discovery of human remains.**

If subsurface deposits believed to be cultural or human in origin are discovered during construction, all work must halt within a 50-foot radius of the discovery. A qualified professional archaeologist, meeting the Secretary of the Interior’s Professional Qualification Standards for pre-contact and historic archaeologist, shall be retained to evaluate the significance of the find, and shall have the authority to modify the no-work radius as appropriate, using professional judgment. The following notifications shall apply, depending on the nature of the find:

- If the find includes human remains, or remains that are potentially human, he or she shall ensure reasonable protection measures are taken to protect the discovery from disturbance (AB 2641). The archaeologist shall notify the Sacramento County Coroner (per §7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code). The provisions of §7050.5 of the California Health and Safety Code, §5097.98 of the California PRC, and Assembly Bill 2641 will be implemented. If the Coroner determines the remains are Native American and not the result of a crime scene, the Coroner will notify the NAHC, which then will designate a Native American Most Likely Descendant (MLD) for the project (§5097.98 of the PRC). The designated MLD will have 48 hours from the time access to the property is granted to make recommendations concerning treatment of the remains. If the landowner does not agree with the recommendations of the MLD, the NAHC can mediate (§5097.94 of the PRC). If no agreement is reached, the landowner must rebury the remains where they will not be further disturbed (§5097.98 of the PRC). This will also include either recording the site with the NAHC or the appropriate Information Center; using an open space or conservation zoning designation or easement; or recording a reinternment document with the county in which the property is located (AB 2641). If the Coroner determines that the remains are

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ATTACHMENT 12
Images of Crematoriums Adjacent to Residential Uses in the Region
SIERRA VIEW FUNERAL CHAPEL AND CREMATORY (FAIR OAKS)
EVERGREEN MEMORIAL (SACRAMENTO)- VIEW FROM ADJACENT RESIDENCE
EVERGREEN MEMORIAL (SACRAMENTO)
ST. MARY’S CEMETERY AND FUNERAL CENTER (SACRAMENTO)
SACRAMENTO MEMORIAL LAWN (SACRAMENTO)
AERIAL OF MOUNT VERNON MEMORIAL PARK & MORTUARY (FAIR OAKS)
AERIAL OF SUNSET LAWN CHAPEL OF THE CHIMES (SACRAMENTO)
AERIAL OF EAST LAWN MEMORIAL PARK (SACRAMENTO)
CHAPEL OF THE TWIN CITIES (YUBA CITY) - RUN BY APPLICANT
JONES MORTUARY (LAKEPORT)- RUN BY APPLICANT
ATTACHMENT 13
Public Comments Received Prior to Staff Report Publication
Dear sirs,

I use the Folsom trail systems very regularly for fun and health. The Folsom Historic District is a unique treasure with renowned trails, quality eating and entertainment venues. When I visit (at least twice per week) I often stop for a bite to eat after biking the trails. Should this crematorium be allowed to operate, I will be forced to consider alternate locals for my recreational biking. I simply will not tolerate smoke and ash from burning bodies in my health regiment. Most in the bike club, I belong to, feel the same way. Please be mindful of the jewel you have made in developing Historic Folsom as a tourist and recreation hub. If this plan is allowed to progress, I and my friends will be taking our recreation dollars elsewhere. Thank you. I am confident you will make the right decision here.

Sincerely,

Andrew Cherniski

[Signature]

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Dear Historic District Commissioners,

I AM:

- HIGH RISK FOR AIR QUALITY HEALTH IMPLICATIONS.
- A PARENT OR CAREGIVER OF A CHILD OR CHILDREN.
- AN INDIVIDUAL WHO INTENDS TO HAVE CHILDREN.
- OVER THE AGE OF 65 AND VULNERABLE.
- HIGHLY WORRIED ABOUT THE SAFETY & LEGACY OF HISTORIC FOLSOM.
- HIGHLY CONCERNED ABOUT EXTREME FIRE RISK CAUSED BY LP TANKS IN OPEN SPACE.

I write to you with great concern about Lakeside Memorial Lawn’s application for a conditional use permit to install and operate a crematorium. Lakeside Memorial Lawn’s project site is designated as Open Space and includes historical burial grounds. In reviewing Lakeside Memorial’s application for a condition use permit, the following concerns require your attention and action on the community’s behalf:

TOXICITY LEVELS UNSAFE FOR CHILDREN, VULNERABLE

The Initial Study by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. notates levels for harmful toxins including chromium, mercury, and organics. Such toxins become the most dangerous when vaporized. The smaller the particulate matter, the more dangerous it becomes. The report designates the levels as “not significant.” This applies only to average, healthy adults. The Study fails to report significant and potentially deadly levels for unborn children, developing children, elderly, and those with existing health conditions in the neighboring community.

NONCONFORMING USE OF OPEN SPACE

The proposed crematorium would be installed and operated in designated open space that is not zoned for commercial use. Thousands of families, children, park visitors, trail and lake users will be inequitably impacted by nonconforming use of the land. This will harm the living to profit off of the dead. With only one way in and out for emergency vehicles, One fire will harm thousands. Such an operation does not belong in any child’s backyard.

AIR QUALITY, SMELL, PARTICULATE MATTER MAKING HISTORY

The Folsom Historic District is treasured for its legacy of community, architecture, and natural appeal. Poor air quality, smell, and toxic particulate matter will cause lasting damage on the physical, environmental and fiscal health of our community. Visually, the shed, smoke, and heat waves are incredibly out of character for the District. Scent will be detected for miles, even if not visible. A permanent pollutant, foul smell and toxins will leave a damaged legacy.

PROTECT HISTORIC FOLSOM. PROTECT THE VULNERABLE. NO CREMATORIUM.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Contact Information:
Dear Scott

Thank you so much for all that you do to serve the community of Folsom. I am a resident and frequent (twice weekly) user of the Lake Natoma trail system with much appreciation for nature. I have obtained your contact information through a website that aims to share preferences on opposing the Lakeside Crematorium proposal. I would like to express my interest in leveraging a more win-win opportunity for development in our community by exploring alternative options for the crematorium site.

Quick list for your reference on why a win-win situation is beneficial:

- Retail sites that sit vacantly would appreciate the revenue and lease commitment where residents and nature are not impacted
- Lake Natoma is one of the remaining lakes in Folsom with consistent water flow, animals, trails, and appreciation of visitors

The Precautionary Principle (Friis, 2019) in terms of Environmental Health states the four aspects should be exhausted in respect of new or further development:

1) Taking preventive action to harm the environment, people, or wildlife
2) Shifting the burden of proof
3) **Explore alternatives**
4) Public participation in the decision

I would respectfully like to implore you to explore alternatives if not already in pursuit. There are retail leasing spaces that sit vacant with no residents, beautiful nature, or athletics nearby that a crematorium could be accommodated in Folsom. The win-win is that a crematorium could be placed at a vacant retail location while not disturbing residents or trail enthusiasts.
Folsom has a trail system that invites residents and visitors to explore and with the imposing threat of a crematorium built in the prime location of the trail, it would be a disadvantage to Folsom to lose the inviting vistas and Historic Folsom revenue for diners/ pedestrians.

References


SAY NO TO THE LAKESIDE CREMATORY AND YOU WILL HAVE HEALTHY KIDS, BABIES, DOGS, AND HUMANS!
IF YOU LIKE HEALTHY AIR, SAY NO TO THE LAKESIDE CREMATORIY
Sent from my Sprint Samsung Galaxy S10.
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To Whom It May Concern:

I would like to start by saying how much my family adores this town (particularly historic) and appreciates the work that has gone into making it such a wonderful place to live. We moved into The Preserve in 2017 and chose an older home over new construction because of the amazing location. Being able to walk to Sutter Street, paddle board to Negro Bar and utilize the endless miles of trails has been worth every penny. We have two children who are 12 and 10 that have spent the last 3 years playing basketball at the park, searching for turkeys and deer at sunset and endless hours biking around the neighborhood. We have raised them to value nature, community and their health. They spend many hours outdoors, playing together or on family walks/rides. Even through all of the Covid uncertainty, the hardest weeks for us were those where they could not play due to smoke and poor air quality. The ability to decompress in nature was greatly healing to our family.

We enjoy hosting outdoor gatherings- the first thing we added to our home was a covered patio area to expand our living space to include the outside. Having come from the Midwest, we have a true understanding of how beautiful the weather is here- even in the summer heat. We have a whole house fan and windows are open most evenings to allow the delta breeze to cool everything down. While I attended the meeting with Igor and I greatly appreciated his patience in hearing questions (and even some erratic accusations), I am still against a crematorium being placed so close to where my children play, enjoy nature and even read outdoors. Having lived in Rancho Cordova next to a rendering plant, I can attest to being told that I would NEVER smell it, that there were very high quality filters being ran at all times and that we could always call the city with a complaint. I can also attest to the fact that we DID often smell it, normally during weekends or dinner hours- when it was very unlikely that someone would come to check that regulations were being followed. There were even times when we could smell it with all of our windows closed, coming in through the stove ventilation. I was told this was a result of wind changes that caused the cloud to rest over our neighborhood. While the smell was offputting, what concerns me more is what we DON’T smell but is still lingering in the air. The proximity of this to where families call home and children play is concerning. The study that was done was based on two burns a day but Igor himself said there was no way to know how many would actually be done on any given day. This is not acceptable, in my opinion.

Over the three years that we have lived here, many families with young children have moved in and more have brought new life to this neighborhood. I imagine that many of them have the same concerns for their little
ones lung development. I have been so happy to see our neighborhood revitalized by new families with children moving in - it feels very unfair to be putting something like this in an older residential community. I can’t imagine that this would even be suggested in an area like The Palladio. I appreciate your service to our city and I am happy to answer any questions you may have.

Ashley Martinez
Fong St
Barbara Krieger
RE/MAX Gold
[Redacted]
Sacramento, CA 95834

September 13, 2021

Re: Lake Natoma Shores

Dear City of Folsom,

I recently listed a property in the beautiful Historical District of Lake Natoma Shores. We had our first showing at the property and the agent called and left me a message telling me her clients loved the home and wanted to live in the Historic District, but had one concern she wanted to ask me about. When I called her back, she said her buyers were worried about the crematorium going in next door. I explained the situation to her and let her know her clients could check with city planning for more information. I don’t know if they followed up or not, but they ended up not submitting an offer specifically because of the crematorium.

I also had an open house the first weekend on the market. Several people came through, and there were about eight groups of buyers who were all concerned about the crematorium. They all loved the home, but I never heard from them nor their agents again. Out of all the neighbors and groups of people that came through, there was only one person who liked the house and did not care about the crematorium. However, her husband was not with her. When she left, she told me she was going to tell him about the house to see if they could purchase it. I never heard from her again either.

I am not a Folsom resident, but am writing this letter out of concern for the neighborhood. Having personally seen every single buyer that walked through this beautiful home get turned off from the highly desirable location because of an undesirable crematorium should concern every single representative of the people, the nearby homes and the neighborhood itself as an entity. I wonder why the city has allowed the cemetery owner to get this far in the planning phase of the project, despite the multiple and loud cries of the Folsom residents and groups, who should not have to trouble themselves with such a threat while living in such a popular, sophisticated and historically protected area. I am absolutely astonished that this is occurring at all.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you need further information or details of my experience. I am attaching the text conversation between myself and the first agent (with her permission) who showed the house first with the buyers who decided not to write an offer. I am also attaching the lockbox showing activity since we’ve been on the market. Besides my open houses, there has been only one other agent showing (during the open house) since we went on the market, and she would not tell me why her buyers did not submit an offer. There have been no other inquiries since.

Thank you for your time, and hopefully your deep concern for what is happening under your watch.

Sincerely,

Barbara Krieger, Realtor
[Redacted]
RE/MAX Gold Real Estate Agent
License #01317657 Since 2001
Thank you!

Thank you too! Let me know how it goes

Will do

Did they get spooked by the crematorium by fong st? Just curious cuz I’m gonna write a letter for the neighborhood 😊

Yeah it was a bit of a concern for them I’m sorry!
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Dear Mike,

My name is Barbara Manwell. I have lived at [obscured] Fong Street since November 1995. It is important that you understand my opposition to a crematorium being installed at the Lakeside Cemetery in my neighborhood. The majority of houses in the Preserve subdivision have at least one person who is at risk for breathing polluted air: children 14 years or younger and Seniors 65 years or older.

The City is aware that homeowners have opposed a crematorium in the past. The developer has stated it will not have an adverse effect on the neighborhood and the needs of the entire City must be considered. This is a question of the air I breathe, the air a 92 year old woman out for her daily walk breathes, the air a toddler taking her first steps breathes, the air a group of Seniors meeting for yoga three days a week in the Young Wo Park breathe, the air three boys racing through the neighborhood on bikes breathe. We are an outdoor group of citizens.

The developers' declaration has information to support his application from the manufacturer of the crematorium, Hartwick Combustion Technologies, and HELIX Environmental Planning. Both businesses receive money from the developers. This is not reassuring to me.

Igor Semenyuk, representing Lakeside Cemetery in our recent ZOOM meeting happily informed the participants in the informational crematorium meeting that he had recently sold his property in Old Town for $800,000. Making a profit is important to this business man. Having safe air to breathe is important to me.

Please deny Lakeside's application for a crematorium.

Sincerely yours,

Barbara Manwell
Ms. Andersen,

As longtime residents of Natoma Shores, we are asking you to not allow our beautiful neighborhood to be destroyed. The prospect of having a crematorium in the Lakeside Cemetery is very upsetting and is wrong for so many reasons. For starters, our home is a “Receptor” and we are very concerned about the pollution and the health hazards associated with it. Such a facility should not be built this close to a residential neighborhood. In addition, this will lower the property value of our homes. How will we be compensated? If there are health issues arising from the smoke will we be able to be compensated for that as well?

I hope you would honestly consider how you would react if the crematorium was built in your neighborhood and not allow this to happen.

The Barnett Family/Young Wo Circle
Dear Historic District Commissioners:

I am writing to express my deep concern at the conditional use permit submitted by Lakeside Memorial Lawn, owned by Miller Funeral Home, to install a crematory.

The Historic District is the crown jewel of Folsom. Its history, incredible landscape, unique shopping and dining experiences, and community provide so much to the city of Folsom. The thought of a crematory burning 800 pounds of human bodies per day will have untold negative physical, environmental, and fiscal implications that will damage both the city and the community.

Our air quality in the Valley has been the worst on record. How can we justify adding more particulate, more carbon, to our already hurting environment? How can we justify putting the citizens at risk? How can we tarnish the shining gem that is Old Folsom?

I implore you and the other staff members to consider all that is to be lost by granting this permit. I thank you for your consideration and welcome any feedback.
Sincerely,
Ben Gamache
Historic District Home Owner
August 2, 2021

Dear Mr. Josh Kincaid,

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From: Elaine Andersen
Sent: Friday, January 14, 2022 8:28 AM
To: Josh Kinkade
Subject: FW: Proposed Crematorium

From: Bert p
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To: Elaine Andersen <eandersen@folsom.ca.us>
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Dear People in charge

I am writing in response to the notice that the Folsom Cemetery is planning to install an Crematorium. I have a home that is on Young Wo circle that would be adversely impacted.

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I understand that the disease Mad Cow syndrome came from cows eating food made of other dead cow carcasses. What will fume and ash from Human cremation do to other Humans who breath in these by products.

Today we are told to wear N95 Mask to go out into forest fire smoke that has invisible particles, how will we feel safe that we are not being exposed to the same toxic and more lethal by products. I would also like to know how the curators of the Muir House Museum, and the Chamber of Commerce of Sutter street would feel about the impacts of these fumes on Tourism in their areas.

After reading the city planning commissions report on the impacts of this new project, I would like to know if the commission has taken a field trip to crematory to actually see it impact to adjacent areas. In reading the commissions report, on page 19 of 11, section D leaves a question as to what a substantial number of people are and if wind conditions are taken into account. I was also quite surprised at the number of pounds of toxic chemicals and elements per hours of use that would be released into the atmosphere, as listed on page 27of 51 of this same report.

Home owner on Young Wo Circle
Bob Baker, phone number [redacted]
SUBJECT: Lakeside Crematorium - Comments on Initial Study/MND

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This letter provides my comments on the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) dated January 2022.

1. **The IS/MND correctly identifies the City Council as having approval decision authority for the project; but is contradicted by the public hearing notice.** As limited by the City Charter, the Historic District Commission (HDC) is an advisory commission only and does not have the authority to make a final approval decision. This is recognized in the IS/MND on page 7 (section 5.0, “Required Approvals”) which specifically states that the “Folsom City Council” will act as the lead CEQA agency and consider approval of the project entitlements. However, the public hearing notice issued for the project discusses that an appeal would be required for consideration by the City Council. The public hearing notice incorrectly identifies the HDC as having final approval authority and should be corrected to be consistent with the City Charter limitations on HDC authority.

2. **A design review application is required but has not been submitted.** The proposed shed modification requires design review pursuant to Folsom Municipal Code (FMC) section 17.52.300, “Design Review,” which requires design review for, “B. All exterior renovations, remodeling, modification or addition to existing structures” and FMC Section 17.52.310 provides design review application submittal (including design review application fee) requirements. The IS/MND does not identify design review as a necessary entitlement and the project application on the Community Development Department’s Pending Development Applications is only for a use permit. An application for design review containing the required submittals must be submitted and design review application fees paid before the City provides further processing of this project. Importantly, such design review would then consider whether the building that would undergo a substantial expansion of use to house the proposed crematorium is consistent with Historic District design standards and guidelines or if the design of that structure requires additional modifications to comply with Historic District design standards and guidelines.

3. **The IS/MND incorrectly identifies the project as consistent with the General Plan, yet the General Plan has no land use designation for either a cemetery or a crematorium, therefore the analysis cannot tier from the General Plan EIR.** The IS/MND incorrectly states that the project would be consistent with the General Plan land use designation of Open Space. A review of the General Plan intent for the Open Space land use designation reveals that there is no basis for concluding that a crematorium is consistent with the General Plan Open Space land use designation. The General Plan
mentions "cemeteries" just one time and crematoriums not at all. The single General Plan cemetery reference pertains to Noise Compatibility Standards (Table SN-1) which is unrelated to establishing land use designations and uses.

Throughout the General Plan, policies encourage that development incorporate areas of open space. It is unreasonable to suggest that the intent of those policies is that such open space areas could or might be used for siting a cemetery and a crematorium. The IS/MND interpretation and the subsequent analysis which tiers from the General Plan EIR are fundamentally flawed. The IS/MND must be revised to eliminate the erroneous statements about General Plan consistency, and the impact analyses must fully evaluate the project without attempting to tier from the General Plan EIR. Further, while FMC section 17.52.550 identifies “cemeteries” as a permitted use in the Open Space/Public primary area of the Historic District (subject to a conditional use permit when proposed by a private entity), the FMC does not extend the definition of cemetery to a crematorium. Furthermore, the FMC is subordinate to, and may not conflict with, the General Plan, therefore, expanding the unspecified FMC definition of a cemetery to include a crematorium would even further stray from the General Plan’s Open Space definition and is impermissible.

4. The IS/MND must identify whether the project would involve public attendance at services at the Lakeside Memorial cemetery and/or other locations within the City and, if so, define the parameters and evaluate impacts associated with such services. The IS/MND provides no information on whether cremations (up to 4 per day and 500 per year) would or could be attended by family, friends, or other members of the public. If no such attendance will be permitted, a condition of any use permit for this project must specifically state that such attendance is prohibited and must include a mechanism to ensure the prohibition is enforced. Alternatively, if such attendance will be permitted, the IS/MND must be revised to discuss the maximum anticipated attendance at each cremation and evaluate the impacts associated with vehicle trips, noise, parking capacity, neighborhood circulation and pedestrian safety, effects on other services and activities at the cemetery, and other factors associated with public attendance. Furthermore, the IS/MND does not discuss whether cremations at the proposed Lakeside Crematorium would result in an increase in memorial services either at Lakeside cemetery or elsewhere in Folsom. If cremations at Lakeside cemetery would result in an increase in services at other locations in Folsom (e.g., the funeral home on Scott Street), similar evaluations of potential impacts associated with vehicle trips, noise, parking capacity, neighborhood circulation and pedestrian safety and other factors associated with those services must be addressed.

5. The IS/MND fails to recognize the visibility of the existing shed and proposed modifications from public view locations (Folsom Boulevard) and the impacts of such visibility on visual quality and locally designated historic resources. The IS/MND aesthetics and cultural resources analyses are fundamentally flawed by failing to recognize that the existing structure is visible from public viewpoints including Folsom Boulevard and the bluffs on the north side of Lake Natoma. Page 2 of the IS/MND incorrectly states that “[t]ailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard
prevent the site from being visible from that street.” This is incorrect. The roof and upper portion of the structure in which the crematorium is proposed to be located and on which an exhaust flume would be installed is clearly visible from Folsom Boulevard at the intersection of Natoma Street. Furthermore, between Folsom Boulevard and the structure are cobble mine tailings that are identified in the City of Folsom Cultural Resources Inventory as import local historic resources. In fact, this section of tailings is one of the most prominent locations of representative historic mine tailings visible to the largest number of viewers anywhere in the City. The impact of the project’s modification to the existing structure would visible in the background of these tailings and must be identified and evaluated in terms of impacts to the quality of views of the tailings and impacts to the historic quality of the tailings viewshed.

6. **The air quality and health risk analysis does not use best available information and requires more certainty regarding project design.** The air quality and health risk analysis circulated with the IS/MND uses a wind rose (wind direction information) from the Sacramento Executive Airport. The Sacramento Executive Airport is nearly 20 miles from the project site and is more strongly influenced by the Delta and Central Valley wind patterns than the project site’s location along the American River corridor near the Sierra Nevada foothills. More representative wind flow data from a location nearer the site (e.g., Mather Field) is available and should be used for any air quality and health risk assessment conducted for the project to ensure that locally accurate wind directions and speeds are used in the analysis. Furthermore, the health risk analysis states that the analysis assumes a rain cover will be installed on the crematorium exhaust stack. However, the application and representative photograph of the exhaust stack do not discuss or identify the intent for such a cover. If a cover is not present during operation of the crematorium, the emissions and resulting health risk analysis conclusions would vary from those presented in the IS/MND. Clarification and certainty for this project design component is needed. If the rain cover is to be in place during cremations, an analysis of potential localized effects of downdraft on memorial lawn visitors while cremations should also be provided.

7. **The IS/MND does not adequately evaluate potential impacts on nesting and foraging bald eagles and other special-status bird and bat species.** The IS/MND provides no discussion of the annually active bald eagle nest located just 0.5 mile north of the project site and the potential effects of the project and exhaust stack on foraging behavior of the eagles or other protected bird and bat species. While the IS/MND discusses that effects of vehicles and workers at the site would not adversely affect migratory birds, the analysis does not address the potential effects on foraging activity of the furnace exhaust heat blast with an assumed exhaust gas temperature of 1,080 degrees Fahrenheit (°F) and a gas exit velocity of 14.7 feet per second that would occur for up to 90 minutes up to four times a day. This analysis is necessary to determine if the project would adversely affect this bald eagle nesting and foraging area or otherwise adversely affect other special-status bird or bat species that may use the area.

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site contains and is located immediately adjacent to substantial oak woodland areas and oak canopy adjacent to the building proposed to house an exhaust flume with an assumed exhaust gas temperature of 1,080 degrees Fahrenheit (°F) and a gas exit velocity of 14.7 feet per second. Within and adjacent to the site are oak canopy linkages to the large oak woodland open spaces to the north, west, and south of the project. The IS/MND states that, “the project is not likely to cause any ignition, given that the crematory will not emit sparks.” Evidence providing a definitive conclusion that the crematory – a facility design for burning and with an exhaust flume – will not emit sparks or other hot particles of potential ignition source is needed. Furthermore, the IS/MND discusses that the City Fire Department reviewed the project and did not raise any concerns regarding water supply or site access. This begs the question of whether the Fire Department raised other concerns and even whether the Fire Department reviewed and considered the project. The project proposal to install and operated a large furnace in an open space area adjacent to oak woodlands with residents beyond, warrants specific review and documented feedback from the Folsom Fire Department specifically confirming that the Fire Department has carefully reviewed the project and all potential fire risk issues. Also, because the project site is immediately adjacent to lands managed by State Parks, similar definitive review and input from State Parks wildland fire experts should be documented and included in the analysis.

Sincerely,

Bob Delp
Historic District Resident
Folsom, CA 95630

[Signature]
SUBJECT: Lakeside Crematorium – Supplemental Comments on Initial Study/MND

Dear Ms. Johns:

On February 4, 2022, I submitted a letter with comments on the Lakeside Crematorium project Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND). In my February 4 comments I expressed concerns with, among other things, visibility of the project shed and fire risk. Having viewed the property more closely with physical observations from Folsom Boulard and review of aerial imagery available online, it is evident that the IS/MND fails to disclose critical information related to existing conditions at the site that are relevant to the project environmental impact analyses.

Figure 1, “Excerpt of IS/MND Figure 3 Detailed Site Plan,” on the following page is an excerpt of the IS/MND Figure 3 to which I have added red linework and labels. Figure 2, “Photograph of Existing Site Conditions,” on the following page is a photograph I took on Sunday February 6, 2022, from the south side of Folsom Boulevard just east of the Natoma Street intersection and facing northwest toward the project site. The black linework on Figure 1 shows what the IS/MND considers to be the existing site condition. However, as illustrated in red, there is another building adjacent to the project shed and located near or on the property boundary that is not identified or discussed in the IS/MND. As shown on Figure 2, that building is a metal structure that is taller and larger in footprint than the project “shed” illustrated on Figure 1. Review of aerial photograph on Google Earth indicates that sometime in 2020 or 2021 a concrete pad was installed and the second metal structure was erected. That the structure is one or very near the property line and within 5 feet or less of the project shed.

This additional structure provides a substantial constraint to the ability of emergency response vehicle access to areas surrounding the project shed. Since the IS/MND fails to identify the structure, the IS/MND also fails to identify its use and fails to consider the implications of this structure and its constraint on emergency access. Furthermore, the presence of this structure and its bearing on the project’s cumulative visual and other impacts must be considered in the environmental review.

An understanding of the project site’s actual existing conditions is necessary for any meaningful review of the project’s impacts. The IS/MND’s failure to even acknowledge the existence of the largest building on the property, let alone consider it in the impact analysis, warrants substantial revision to the IS/MND to adjust the analysis to account for this structure.

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Folsom, CA  95630
FIGURES

Figure 1. Excerpt of IS/MND Figure 3 Detailed Site Plan

Figure 2. Photograph of Existing Site Conditions
Pam and Josh:

I remain interested in receiving your input on the questions and information about the proposed crematorium requested in my emails below. The feedback I’m requesting is related to basic information about the project that is fundamental to your Department’s review of the project, so it’s unclear why you would not be able to easily provide it or post it to the Pending Development Applications webpage. (It is troubling, to say the least, that your Department maintains a webpage specifically named "Pending Development Applications" and yet for some reason the project application isn’t posted and it seems you are unable to provide it upon request even months after an Initial Study was prepared and circulated.)

After reviewing the General Plan specifically to identify its intent for the Open Space land use designation, it is obvious that there is simply no basis for concluding that a crematorium is consistent with the General Plan Open Space land use designation. Your Department’s interpretation (as presented in the April 2021 Initial Study) is incorrect and could have long-term damaging consequences regardless of the outcome of the currently proposed crematorium project. If you actually have a solid basis for your interpretation, not only would I and others in the community like to see that, but I would also request that you take that interpretation to the City Council for their concurrence in advance of further consideration of the current or any other individual cemetery or crematorium project.

You must be aware that the General Plan mentions "cemeteries" just one time (and crematoriums not at all), and that is in reference to Noise Compatibility Standards (Table SN-1) having nothing to do with land use designations. Table LU-5 of the General Plan (page 2-7) defines the Open Space designation as, "The Open Space land use designation encompasses the preserved natural open space areas of Folsom." Throughout the General Plan, policies encourage development to incorporate areas of open space. No reasonable person can argue that the intent of those policies was that those open space areas could or might be used for siting a cemetery, let alone a crematorium. (Example: Policy LU 3.1.1 - "Encourage mixed-use development in nodes located at major intersections that include housing, open space, and offices." Are you prepared to argue that the expectation in that policy is that those open space areas would be eligible for siting a crematorium?)

There very well may be a need for one or more crematoriums in the Folsom area. When a particular type of land use hasn’t previously been anticipated in the General Plan but the need or interest in that type land use is identified, I would think that as planners you would recognize that the City should undertake a process to assess whether that type of land use is appropriate for the City and, if so, at what location(s) in the City that type of land use might best be located. That should not be done on a individual project basis, but through a
more broad (City-wide) planning and General Plan (and perhaps also zoning code) amendment process that would engage the community and ultimately be decided by the City Council.

To avoid ramifications that go beyond a simple yes or no decision on the currently proposed crematorium, I am asking that your Department retract the April 2021 Initial Study and its incorrect interpretation of General Plan consistency. If your Department proceeds with a City-wide planning exercise to determine whether and where cemeteries and/or crematoriums should be eligible for siting, please include me in your public notices for that process.

Thank you,
-Bob Delp

BCC: Delp Interested Parties List

Bob Delp
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From: Bob Delp
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Cc: Sari Dierking <sdierking@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Re: Lakeside Crematorium

Pam and Josh:

I am still interested in receiving your feedback on the questions in my email to you on Sept 14 (below).

Additionally, can you provide the existing CUP (approvals, allowable uses, conditions, etc.) for the cemetery?

Also, I have reviewed the General Plan and do not see any discussion or references in the City General Plan or zoning code that suggests an intent or expectation that a crematorium is an allowable use in conjunction with designated Open Space areas, and nothing in the General Plan to indicate that even cemeteries without crematoriums are an allowable use in the Open Space land use designation (and nothing in the General Plan EIR, from which the crematorium Initial Study tiers, to suggest that crematoriums were an assumed use in Open Space or anywhere else in the City in the General Plan EIR analysis). Can you provide an explanation of staff's basis for suggesting crematoriums are an allowable use in Open Space areas and also how you interpret development of a crematorium as being acceptable in Open Space that is within a SACOG transit priority area?

Your feedback on this would be most helpful.

Thank you,
-Bob

Bob Delp
916-
Hi, Pam and Josh.

I see the April 2021 Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium draft IS/MND on the Pending Development Applications page, but no other information about the project is posted there. I have a few questions I'm hoping you can answer:

1. What date did the City deem the application complete?
2. 
3. Are the project application materials available and can they be posted on the Pending Development Applications webpage?
4. 
5. What is the status of the City's review of the project?
6. Are there any permit streamlining act deadlines that apply to this project?
5. 
6. Was the IS/MND filed with the State Clearinghouse and did any agencies comment? (I don't see it on the CEQAnet database.)

Thanks in advance for any feedback you can provide.

-Bob
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I love this small community I live in. These people aren't just neighbors, they are friends and family. My sister, brother in law, mom, dad, husband, one year old daughter, niece and nephew, live within this community. In addition, I am 6 months pregnant. I am writing this letter for them.

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"White" smoke in the sky, indicating they are in the process of burning a body. I don't want that for my children or their friends in the neighborhood.

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As a neighborhood we are rallying together to try and stop this proposal from going any further. We were strong and will continue to fight for our friends and family.

I ask for your help in preventing this crematorium from coming into our neighborhood. I ask you to help protect my family and our health.

This crematory should not be in a or near a residential area. It should be in a industrial zone, not in open space. We were already lied to once by Igor. They have submitted an addendum to the proposal and have increased the daily rate from 400 lbs to 800 lbs a day of human remains. Will this continue to increase? What else will be adjusted?

I thank you for taking the time to read this. I have attached a picture of my baby Greta with her cousins. They are on their grandmother's front yard (please note the cemetery/potential crematory directly in the background) which is three houses down from mine.
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FYI

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This is a neighborhood that the kids play outside together. "Like the good old days" the kids ride bikes, go to the park, scooter around the block. They aren't inside on the computer, they don't have phones, they aren't playing video games. I'm very proud of that. Kids being kids - it's a beautiful thing. If this crematorium is put in, I worry about the kids being outside. Running around breathing in the contaminates or not being allowed to play outside during certain days/hours. What will the kids do?? My guess is go to electronics, which is disappointing.

I ask for your help in preventing this crematorium from coming into our neighborhood. I ask you to help protect my family and our health.

I thank you for taking the time to read this. I have attached a picture of my baby Greta with her cousins. They are on their grandmother's front yard (please note the cemetery directly in the background) which is three houses down from mine.

With much appreciation,
Breanne Higgins
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Best,

Brian Paciotti

Ph.D. Ecology, UC Davis.  M.S. Healthcare Informatics, UC Davis Medical Center

Young Wo Circle

Folsom, CA  95630
January 30, 2022

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Folsom, CA 95630
Dear Members of the Folsom City Board,

I am a resident of Folsom Preserve. I live close to where the proposed crematorium would be built. I oppose this plan, because of the danger to our air quality. I am most concerned for our children, who play outdoors, and could be harmed by increased poor air quality. This community strongly opposes the crematorium, and agrees that it should be built elsewhere. Certainly there are other more open areas where this could be built...far away from communities. If you have not visited our community to see how close our homes are to the cemetery, I would ask you to do so.

Thank you,

Carol Hart
Young Wo Circle
Folsom, CA 95630
Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

7 February 2022

Josh Kinkade
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COMMENTS TO REQUEST FOR REVIEW FOR THE MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION, LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN CREMATORIUM PROJECT, SCH#2022010039, SACRAMENTO COUNTY

Pursuant to the State Clearinghouse’s 5 January 2022 request, the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has reviewed the Request for Review for the Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project, located in Sacramento County.

Our agency is delegated with the responsibility of protecting the quality of surface and groundwaters of the state; therefore, our comments will address concerns surrounding those issues.

I. Regulatory Setting

Basin Plan
The Central Valley Water Board is required to formulate and adopt Basin Plans for all areas within the Central Valley region under Section 13240 of the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Each Basin Plan must contain water quality objectives to ensure the reasonable protection of beneficial uses, as well as a program of implementation for achieving water quality objectives with the Basin Plans. Federal regulations require each state to adopt water quality standards to protect the public health or welfare, enhance the quality of water and serve the purposes of the Clean Water Act. In California, the beneficial uses, water quality objectives, and the Antidegradation Policy are the State’s water quality standards. Water quality standards are also contained in the National Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.36, and the California Toxics Rule, 40 CFR Section 131.38.

The Basin Plan is subject to modification as necessary, considering applicable laws, policies, technologies, water quality conditions and priorities. The original Basin Plans were adopted in 1975, and have been updated and revised periodically as required, using Basin Plan amendments. Once the Central Valley Water Board has adopted a Basin Plan amendment in noticed public hearings, it must be approved by the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), Office of

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Administrative Law (OAL) and in some cases, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). Basin Plan amendments only become effective after they have been approved by the OAL and in some cases, the USEPA. Every three (3) years, a review of the Basin Plan is completed that assesses the appropriateness of existing standards and evaluates and prioritizes Basin Planning issues. For more information on the Water Quality Control Plan for the Sacramento and San Joaquin River Basins, please visit our website:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/basin_plans/

Antidegradation Considerations
All wastewater discharges must comply with the Antidegradation Policy (State Water Board Resolution 68-16) and the Antidegradation Implementation Policy contained in the Basin Plan. The Antidegradation Implementation Policy is available on page 74 at:
https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/basin_plans/sacsjr_2018_05.pdf

In part it states:
Any discharge of waste to high quality waters must apply best practicable treatment or control not only to prevent a condition of pollution or nuisance from occurring, but also to maintain the highest water quality possible consistent with the maximum benefit to the people of the State.

This information must be presented as an analysis of the impacts and potential impacts of the discharge on water quality, as measured by background concentrations and applicable water quality objectives.

The antidegradation analysis is a mandatory element in the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and land discharge Waste Discharge Requirements (WDRs) permitting processes. The environmental review document should evaluate potential impacts to both surface and groundwater quality.

II. Permitting Requirements

Construction Storm Water General Permit
Dischargers whose project disturb one or more acres of soil or where projects disturb less than one acre but are part of a larger common plan of development that in total disturbs one or more acres, are required to obtain coverage under the General Permit for Storm Water Discharges Associated with Construction and Land Disturbance Activities (Construction General Permit), Construction General Permit Order No. 2009-0009-DWQ. Construction activity subject to this permit includes clearing, grading, grubbing, disturbances to the ground, such as stockpiling, or excavation, but does not include regular maintenance activities performed to restore the original line, grade, or capacity of the facility. The Construction General Permit requires the development and implementation of a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP). For more information on the Construction General Permit, visit the State Water Resources Control Board website at:
Phase I and II Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permits
The Phase I and II MS4 permits require the Permittees reduce pollutants and runoff flows from new development and redevelopment using Best Management Practices (BMPs) to the maximum extent practicable (MEP). MS4 Permittees have their own development standards, also known as Low Impact Development (LID)/post-construction standards that include a hydromodification component. The MS4 permits also require specific design concepts for LID/post-construction BMPs in the early stages of a project during the entitlement and CEQA process and the development plan review process.

For more information on which Phase I MS4 Permit this project applies to, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/storm_water/municipal_permits/

For more information on the Phase II MS4 permit and who it applies to, visit the State Water Resources Control Board at:

Industrial Storm Water General Permit
Storm water discharges associated with industrial sites must comply with the regulations contained in the Industrial Storm Water General Permit Order No. 2014-0057-DWQ. For more information on the Industrial Storm Water General Permit, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

Clean Water Act Section 404 Permit
If the project will involve the discharge of dredged or fill material in navigable waters or wetlands, a permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act may be needed from the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE). If a Section 404 permit is required by the USACE, the Central Valley Water Board will review the permit application to ensure that discharge will not violate water quality standards. If the project requires surface water drainage realignment, the applicant is advised to contact the Department of Fish and Game for information on Streambed Alteration Permit requirements. If you have any questions regarding the Clean Water Act

1 Municipal Permits = The Phase I Municipal Separate Storm Water System (MS4) Permit covers medium sized Municipalities (serving between 100,000 and 250,000 people) and large sized municipalities (serving over 250,000 people). The Phase II MS4 provides coverage for small municipalities, including non-traditional Small MS4s, which include military bases, public campuses, prisons and hospitals.
Section 404 permits, please contact the Regulatory Division of the Sacramento District of USACE at (916) 557-5250.

**Clean Water Act Section 401 Permit – Water Quality Certification**

If an USACE permit (e.g., Non-Reporting Nationwide Permit, Nationwide Permit, Letter of Permission, Individual Permit, Regional General Permit, Programmatic General Permit), or any other federal permit (e.g., Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act or Section 9 from the United States Coast Guard), is required for this project due to the disturbance of waters of the United States (such as streams and wetlands), then a Water Quality Certification must be obtained from the Central Valley Water Board prior to initiation of project activities. There are no waivers for 401 Water Quality Certifications. For more information on the Water Quality Certification, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at:

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/water_quality_certification/

**Waste Discharge Requirements – Discharges to Waters of the State**

If USACE determines that only non-jurisdictional waters of the State (i.e., “non-federal” waters of the State) are present in the proposed project area, the proposed project may require a Waste Discharge Requirement (WDR) permit to be issued by Central Valley Water Board. Under the California Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act, discharges to all waters of the State, including all wetlands and other waters of the State including, but not limited to, isolated wetlands, are subject to State regulation. For more information on the Waste Discharges to Surface Water NPDES Program and WDR processes, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/water_issues/waste_to_surface_water/

Projects involving excavation or fill activities impacting less than 0.2 acre or 400 linear feet of non-jurisdictional waters of the state and projects involving dredging activities impacting less than 50 cubic yards of non-jurisdictional waters of the state may be eligible for coverage under the State Water Resources Control Board Water Quality Order No. 2004-0004-DWQ (General Order 2004-0004). For more information on the General Order 2004-0004, visit the State Water Resources Control Board website at:


**Dewatering Permit**

If the proposed project includes construction or groundwater dewatering to be discharged to land, the proponent may apply for coverage under State Water Board General Water Quality Order (Low Threat General Order) 2003-0003 or the Central Valley Water Board’s Waiver of Report of Waste Discharge and Waste Discharge Requirements (Low Threat Waiver) R5-2018-0085. Small temporary construction dewatering projects are projects that discharge groundwater to land from excavation activities or dewatering of underground utility vaults. Dischargers seeking coverage...
under the General Order or Waiver must file a Notice of Intent with the Central Valley Water Board prior to beginning discharge.


For more information regarding the Low Threat Waiver and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/waivers/r5-2018-0085.pdf

**Limited Threat General NPDES Permit**

If the proposed project includes construction dewatering and it is necessary to discharge the groundwater to waters of the United States, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. Dewatering discharges are typically considered a low or limited threat to water quality and may be covered under the General Order for Limited Threat Discharges to Surface Water (Limited Threat General Order). A complete Notice of Intent must be submitted to the Central Valley Water Board to obtain coverage under the Limited Threat General Order. For more information regarding the Limited Threat General Order and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/board_decisions/adopted_orders/general_orders/r5-2016-0076-01.pdf

**NPDES Permit**

If the proposed project discharges waste that could affect the quality of surface waters of the State, other than into a community sewer system, the proposed project will require coverage under a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. A complete Report of Waste Discharge must be submitted with the Central Valley Water Board to obtain a NPDES Permit. For more information regarding the NPDES Permit and the application process, visit the Central Valley Water Board website at: https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/centralvalley/help/permit/

If you have questions regarding these comments, please contact me at (916) 464-4684 or Peter.Minkel2@waterboards.ca.gov.

Peter G. Minkel
Engineering Geologist

cc: State Clearinghouse unit, Governor’s Office of Planning and Research, Sacramento
September 1, 2021

Historic District Commissioners  
City of Folsom  
50 Natoma Street  
Folsom, CA 95630  

Dear Historic District Commissioners:

Thank you for giving the Chinese Historical Society of America (CHSA) the opportunity to comment on the above-proposed project. CHSA is a non-profit organization the Mission of which is to “collect, preserve, and illuminate the history of Chinese in America by serving as a center for research, scholarship and learning to inspire a greater appreciation for, and knowledge of, their collective experience through exhibitions, public programs, and any other means for reaching the widest audience.” CHSA is the oldest Chinese historical society in America and maintains a museum concerning Chinese history and culture in San Francisco. By way of this letter, CHSA wishes to voice its strong opposition to the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project.

Our position on the Helix Initial Study (IS) and Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), adopted by the City of Folsom, is that the IS and MND do not adequately consider the planning, implementation and operation of the Crematorium Project. For example, the following cultural resources were not identified or evaluated: that the Chung Wah Cemetery has been placed on the National Register and California State Register of Historic Places; that the Young Wo Chinese Cemetery has been placed on the California Registry of Historic Points of Interest; and that, in addition, both Cemeteries have been being placed on the Sacramento County Cemetery Commission's Registry of Pioneer Cemeteries. The integrity of these culturally unique cemeteries are of historical and archaeological importance to a specific time in history: the building of Folsom, the establishment of the State of California, and the opening up of the West.

Also, the Helix IS/MND does not discuss the indirect social changes the crematorium’s operation would have on people’s perception of spiritual worship in the Chung Wah and Young Wo Cemeteries, resulting in an unfortunate modern misinterpretation of historic spiritual and religious practices.

But fortunately, Folsom’s Chinese community is well aware of this issue. For example,
Ms. June Chan submitted written public comment on an earlier Crematorium Project application made by the Miller Funeral Home, a prior owner of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. (Her letter appears on page 68 of the 01.15.03 Folsom Historic District Commission Staff Report.)

Ms. Chan expressed fears that the crematorium’s operational impact could cause a social change in the perception of the Chung Wah and Young Wo Cemeteries. Ms. Chan’s letter questioned how the crematorium’s operations could be reconciled alongside the Chung Wah Cemetery in order to ensure the Chung Wah’s historical and archaeological integrity, “Because of cremated ashes in the air – either from the crematorium chimney; when ashes are put/poured into a container; through clean-up of ash residue waste disposal or cleaning up of interior crematorium – the potential impact over time would be significant to both Chung Wah Memorial Cemetery and Young Wo Memorial Cemetery. Remnant ashes that are at the crematorium will be in the air and with the winds will have to land someplace such as the Chinese burial mounds.”

In her letter Ms. Chan asserts that any disturbance by the proposed Crematorium’s operations (ashes, smoke, or the thought of ashes and smoke) on her ancestors graves would affect her, and other Chinese descendants, in a very spiritual way. “These circa Chinese Gold Rush cemeteries for their descendants today, continue to be held in solemn spiritual reverence and profound sacred esteem for those interred eternally.” Local historians estimate that there are between 250-600 Chinese pioneers buried at the Chung Wah Cemetery.

The crematorium applicant has applied for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP), to build and operate a crematorium in a Conservation/Open Space zone. However, cremation was not consistent with Chinese funerary customs and practice. Also, and as noted in the Findings of the old 01.15.03 Folsom Historic District Commission Staff Report at page 4, cremation was not an integral part of Gold Rush pioneer cemetery customs, either. Still further, and as also noted in that 01.15.03 Staff Report, a crematorium is not aligned with the Folsom Historic District Design and Development Guidelines, or with Folsom’s General Plan Conservation/Open Space zoning.

On December 5, 1988 CHSA participated, along with Ms. June Chan, in the City of Folsom’s dedication of the Young Wo Cemetery. A bronze marker at the entrance to the Young Wo Cemetery reads in part:

“The Young Wo Cemetery 1883-1925 …Buried here are Chinese pioneers who struggled for economic survival and human dignity and in so doing helped build Folsom and the West.”

Thank you for considering CHSA’s comments. For the reasons stated above, CHSA believes that the 2021 Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project should be denied and
request that this letter be entered into the Public Comment record for consideration by the Historic District Commission and any other public bodies which may consider this matter.

Very Truly Yours,

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Justin Hoover
Executive Director
Chinese Historical Society of America

Cc: Mr. Josh Kincade, Project Planner jkinkade@folsom.ca.us
    Mr. Steve Banks, Principal Planner sbanks@folsom.ca.us
    Mr. Scott Johnson, Planning Manager sjohnson@folsom.ca.us
Regarding the metals and pollutants I referenced:
In addition to harmless compounds such as water vapor, emissions include carbon dioxide, carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxide, sulphur dioxide, hydrogen chloride gas, hydrogen fluoride, mercury vapour. Organic compounds such as benzenes, furans, acetone are also emitted and these react with the hydrogen chloride and hydrogen fluoride under combustion conditions to form polychlorinated dibenzodioxins (PCDDs) and polychlorinated dibenzofurans (PCDFs) both of which are carcinogens. A study by the Cremation Association of North America has found that filtering crematorium fumes has little effect on the toxins released.

Sent from iCloud

On Feb 7, 2022, at 6:40 PM, Christine Holmes wrote:

Dear City Planning Officials and Council Members:  

I am adamantly opposed to the crematorium proposed by Lakeside Memorial. I bike and hike that area frequently, and I also enjoy visiting historic downtown Folsom, sitting outside and having a lovely meal and beverage. A facility such as is proposed would certainly negatively affect my enjoyment of my city and the
very thought of traces of metals and chemical pollutants' effects on Lake Natoma and the American River are horrifying and sad. Our waterways are already so threatened and struggling. But there are so many more reasons not to allow this to go forward.

A CREMATORIUM WOULD BE A NONCONFORMING USE OF ZONED OPEN SPACE, DESIGNATED HISTORICAL SITES.
The proposed crematorium would be installed and operated in designated open space that is not zoned for commercial, industrial use, within 600 feet of residential homes. By definition open space zoning districts maintain community open space resources for purposes ranging from conservation, to preserving community land use options. Thousands of families, children, park visitors, trail and lake users will be inequitably impacted by nonconforming use of the zoned land. This proposed industrial function will be conducted on and next to nationally registered historical sites and has disregarded the National Chinese Historical Society's history with the grounds. This effort will harm the living to profit off of the dead.

AIR QUALITY, SMELL, PARTICULATE MATTER, FIRE RISK WILL MAKE HISTORY.
The Folsom Historic District is treasured for its legacy of community, architecture, and natural appeal. Poor air quality, smell, increased fire risk, and toxic particulate matter will cause lasting damage on the physical, environmental and fiscal health of our community. According to the Sacramento County's Air Quality Management District, the crematorium would be self-regulated, with the County having very little oversight no oversight of the mercury-based emissions. Visually, the metal shed that will be used for cremation, the resulting smoke and heat waves are incredibly out of character for the Historic District. Each individual's senses are different and scent may be detected for miles, even if not visible. A permanent pollutant, foul smell and toxins will leave a damaged legacy. The increased fire risk created by the proposed 500 gallon propane tanks puts hundreds of residents who rely on a singular evacuation point in grave danger.

TOXICITY LEVELS WILL BE UNSAFE FOR CHILDREN, ELDERLY AND THE VULNERABLE.
The Initial Study by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. notates levels for harmful toxins including chromium, mercury, and organics. Our local experts have warned that such toxins become the most dangerous when vaporized. The smaller the particulate matter, the more dangerous it becomes. The report designates the levels as "not significant." This applies only to average, healthy adults. The Study fails to report significant and potentially deadly levels for unborn children, developing children, elderly, and those with existing health conditions in the neighboring community. Particulate matter (PM) identified in the study was based on measures taken at the Executive Airport in Sacramento--not in Folsom. As machinery ages, particulate matter released can quickly become "very unhealthy" by air quality standards and pollution at that
level calls for limited and short outdoor activities. There has not been a full Environmental Impact Study (EIR) conducted to date to inform the conditions to be considered. There are serious concerns about the daily impact on air quality in the Historic District posing a serious threat to those with heart and lung conditions, unborn and developing children, teens, and older adults. Shifting wind patterns will impact Sutter Street visitors and business, and recreational areas along Natoma Lake and the surrounding trails. Several hundred permanent residents including young children, veterans, and the elderly will have their health jeopardized.

PLEASE PROTECT HISTORIC FOLSOM. PROTECT OUR BEAUTIFUL TRAILS. PROTECT THE LAKE AND RIVER. PROTECT THE VULNERABLE. NO CREMATORIUM.

Sincerely,
Christine Holmes
111 BONHILL DR.
Folsom CA

Sent from iCloud
FYI

Cindy Baker
Folsom

RE: Opposition to Proposed Crematorium in Lakeside Cemetery
July 28, 2021

Dear Folsom Historic District Commissioners,

I’m very opposed to the plans for a crematorium being proposed on the Lakeside Cemetery property. I respect the Miller Funeral Home, although I am not familiar with the Caring Services Group chain that bought out the Claney’s. Millers has buried four generations of my family and I am entrusting them to bury me as well. They take wonderful care of the cemetery grounds, one of the oldest and most beautiful historic cemeteries in northern California. Their mausoleum additions have been well executed and are a pleasure to visit. I understand the financial motivation to build a crematorium on the cemetery site, land they already own, to create a permanent income stream. However, it creates an undue burden on the people living and recreating nearby. Emissions and odors will impact our fresh air and property values will be negatively impacted.

I live just a few hundred yards from their proposed site and their project description of operations indicate they would be conducting cremations nearly every day of the year with multiple cremations daily. My house is inundated by the odor when the Kikkoman plant (which is much farther away) brews soy beans. The crematorium application exhibit showing the detection of emissions within the neighborhood, the cemetery and across Folsom Boulevard is disturbing. Their permit application was denied in recent years and all the reasoning at that time remains relevant.

Other crematoriums in the region do emit noticeable odors and emissions. I spoke recently with a retired Sacramento City Fire Department employee who told me that when the crematorium on Stockton
Boulevard incinerates a particularly obese person, they get complaint calls due to odor as a column of dark smoke rises out of the stack. As disgusting as that sounds, this would be the reality we would be forced to live with. It would be an undue burden for residents to have to breath the output nearly every day of the year. I walk daily in the neighborhood and often entertain outside. I certainly don’t want to lose the enjoyment of fresh air I currently enjoy. Additionally, its presence would have to be disclosed on any sales agreement, deterring buyers and reducing property values. Even visitors to the cemetery would be exposed to the output, including myself. I frequently visit five family members buried at Lakeside, visits that would become unpleasant if there are emissions blowing where the applicant’s detection maps indicate.

I think it’s critical that Millers Funeral Home find a more appropriate location in an area zoned for industrial or commercial use. I believe building a crematorium within yards of homes, the historic cemeteries (Lakeside and Chung Wah) and Lake Natoma State Park space is inappropriate and has too negative an impact on local residents. This project benefits only the funeral home, while negatively impacting the community.

Sincerely,
Cindy Baker

*Cindy Baker*
I oppose the proposed crematorium at the Lakeside Memorial Cemetery. I would appreciate that my comments below be read into the record during public comment:

As a longtime resident of the Folsom Historic District, I would like to express my concerns and opposition regarding the proposed crematorium at the Lakeside Memorial Cemetery. The homeowners who live within feet of the Lakeside Memorial Cemetery are actively voicing their concerns and rallying together against this proposal, I am listening to their concerns and so should you! If a crematorium were proposed in your backyard I’m sure that you would oppose it too. There are too many valid concerns regarding air quality, increased traffic, noise, nonconforming use of land and zoning, and long term affects to residents including children and the elderly.

A crematorium at this location will add more traffic to the only street that provides ingress and egress to the adjoining neighborhood and access to Folsom Blvd. This location is already impacted by the many people who enjoy the trails along Lake Natoma. The future growth of the Corporation Yard’s existing property is also a concern that should be considered before adding more growth, noise, and pollution to an already overburdened residential community that lies within feet of this proposed crematorium.

Please consider the residents who are loyal, tax paying citizens who deserve the respect from our City representatives. We rely on you to hear our concerns and to be our voices when making the right decisions that affect our lives, our future and our property here in Folsom. Please vote “No” on the crematorium.

Cindy Pharis  
Folsom Historic District Resident  
HFRA Board Member
Josh Kinkade

From: Scott Johnson
Sent: Friday, January 14, 2022 2:45 PM
To: Josh Kinkade
Subject: Fwd: Lakeside Memorial Lawn crematory

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From: Daniel Winkelman
Sent: Friday, January 14, 2022 2:35:05 PM
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Folsom Historic District Commissioners

I implore you to deny approval of the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn crematory.

My two concerns:

I live directly adjacent to the cemetery and have grave concerns about what effect fumes from the crematory will have on my health. Burning 800 lbs of human remains each day in a residential neighborhood is deplorable. No matter what claims of air filtration for the crematory, some undetected harmful chemical is bound to be passed into the air and on to my property

Two large capacity propane tanks are proposed for the project. They will be placed in an urban/wilderness interface area vulnerable to high heat fires. The tanks would be in constant threat of a BLEVE fire. (boiling liquid expanding vapor explosion). These propane tank fires have an explosive force capable of hurling a car into our neighborhood.
Please vote to stop this project,

Daniel Winkelman

Young Wo Circle

Folsom, CA 95630
Dear Sirs and Madams,

As a resident of Folsom and particularly the Preserve development, we strongly urge that you not approve the crematorium permit for the Lakeside Cemetery. We are less than 1000 feet from the proposed crematorium and many neighbors in and out of our development are even closer. We have no problems with the idea of cremation; but this facility does not belong in a residential neighborhood. It should be placed in an industrial area away from houses and families. Many people, for various reasons, are upset at this prospect and I hope you will consider this when voting on the project. We don’t want it here!

Sincerely,

Dann and Shari Shively
Young Wo Circle
January 11, 2022

Historic District Commissioner

Re: Lakeside Crematorium

As you are aware, The hearing for the Proposed Crematorium is February 16, 2022. You are also aware that this is a sensitive issue for the Historic District, especially the Preserve/Natoma Shores Neighborhood.

The Preserve Neighborhood is a community bound together by strong relationships and common interests. This proposed crematorium has in the last year and a half put our small community on edge and diminished our quality of life.

If you haven't been in the neighborhood for awhile I suggest you come and visit. Walk around and reacquaint yourself with the Lakeside Cemetery, Chung Wah Cemetery, Young Wo cemetery, Dredger Diggings Preserve, Veterans Hall, Murer House, Lake Natomas, our small park and of course, the Residents.

I am available anytime to act as your tour guide if you so choose.

Thanks for your time

Dave Higgins
Fong St.
February 11, 2022

City Council Members
City Manager
Historic District Commissioners

I have read Mr. Semenyuk's "Scope of work - Installing a Crematory" document from the Historic Folsom Residence Association (HFRA) email I received back in December 2020. This document was not dated however it was signed by Mr. Igor Semenyuk. I also participated in a HFRA Zoom meeting on July 15, 2021 with Igor Semenyuk of Caring Service Group and Peter Hartwick from Hartwick Combustion Technologies. They informed us about "how wonderful it would be for Folsom to have its own Crematorium."

Mr. Semenyuk talked about the need and the service he could render. He stated in the 12-2020 document:

"There are several large cultural communities residing and moving into Folsom. Regrettfully, we do not have the ability nor the capability to serve the Sikh, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation based cultures as they require an onsite crematory so they may be able to exercise their rights and customs. Currently, there is no crematory in the City of Folsom, so they must find these services outside their city."

After reviewing the revised CEQA application on page 81 "Parking and Access" third paragraph, it states:

"As the crematorium would not be located in or near a funeral home and would be separate from any funeral services or public gatherings provided by the applicant. Access would only need to accommodate a small number of staff members with business at the site"

In the CEQA document, section 4.0, Project Objectives, stated again is "Cultural and Religious Communities as one of four reasons to have a crematorium. Of the four objectives stated, the only one true and honest is the statement "Upgrade existing facilities to capitalize on a business opportunity that has proven successful for the applicant elsewhere in California."

Mr. Semenyuk and Caring Services Group will say whatever they think is necessary to get their crematorium approved and built.

If the above quote was true I would like to have Mr Semenyuk identify these large cultural groups so I would have a better understanding of their rights and customs. I have contacted the Consumer Affairs office in Sacramento and was informed in Sacramento County there are 16 crematories between downtown Sacramento and Lakeside Memorial Lawn. In addition there is 1 in Rocklin and 1 in Placerville. There are many crematories close by to serve the community. The cultural and religious requirements that Mr. Semenyuk states can be fulfilled at Mt. Vernon Cemetery in Fair Oaks 5.2 miles away. Mt. Vernon Cemetery advertises a cremation viewing suite.
There seems to be plenty of incinerators to fulfill this perceived regional need. Currently there are, 70.12% white, 17.18% asian, 5.89% two or more races, 3.41% african american living in Folsom. In my opinion, the cultural and religious community that would use a ritual cremation is comparably low compared to the combined population of Folsom. This is a marketing tactic and disingenuous on Mr. Semenyuk’s and Care Service Group part.

In my notes from the Zoom meeting, Mr Semenyuk said “You will see a puff of white smoke in the beginning then heat waves”. Peter Hartwick later in the Zoom meeting said “You will not see or smell anything” In the document Mr. Semenyuk wrote “there is no smoke or residue that leaves the chamber”. I’m confused, which is it?? What am I going to see? Smoke, heat waves or what smell? Mr Semenyuk wants to install an incinerator. Mr Hartwick wants to sell an incinerator. It’s all Business, it’s about money. It’s smoke and mirrors.

Also in the Scope of Work document, Mr. Semenyuk states “they are designed to use less fuel, have lower NOx emissions, are NFPA compliant, meet Air Quality standards, and the components are UL listed.” So is my toaster and BBQ but it still has puffs of smoke, creates heat waves, and smells. The question is by who and how it is tested. By the manufacturer or an outside entity? How often is the incinerator operationally inspected? Does it have wet scrubbers or just filters? If it has filters are the filters cleaned or are they thrown away? How are they disposed of?

In addition, the document states:
“In the event of an operational failure, the gas is immediately and automatically shut off. There is a manual switch as well. There has never been a crematory blowing up in the history of cremation”.

That is not true. There have been dozens of reported explosions, mostly from pacemakers, within the incinerator causing damage to the Incinerators bricks, doors, and other components.

Is an explosion within the incinerator reported to the Fire Department or some other governmental agency? Will there be an inspection of the facilities after such an event by qualified service personnel or governmental agencies? Will there be a trained operator onsite during the entire cremation process? Someone to hit the manual switch when something goes wrong? What happens during a power outage or Flex Alert? Will they incinerate on “Spare the Air Days”, “Red Flag” days, or our smoke filled summer wildfire days? Lots of questions and no answers.

Caring Service Group is profit driven, as most businesses, Their excitement for “City of Folsom will have their first Crematory” is dangerous and disingenuous. They are looking for that competitive advantage over their competition versus the health and well being of the community. Caring Service Group admits its “Primary goal is to purchase funeral home business” on their website. It’s just Business.
The original application was for incinerating 200 to 400 lbs of human remains per day. Now it’s 400 lbs to 800 lbs per day. Is that 7 days a week? When are they going to request a second incinerator to increase their cash flow. This project has already affected our neighborhood quality of life. This is no small town operation. This is a full fledged commercial operation that needs to be placed in a commercial setting. Remember, this land is zoned open space. Give us little guys a break.

A crematorium proposal was submitted back in 2002 by Lorin Chaney, then owner of Lakeview Memorial Cemetery and was denied by the Historic Commission on 1-15-2003. What has changed since then? It is still proposed in the same old meal shed, Crematoriums still malfunction, still have operator error, still smoke, still emit nasty odor. This project is still located in the same Zoned Open Space. We now have more residents including infants, young children and many seniors. Am I missing something? This is obviously wrong.

So, does Folsom really need an industrial incinerator in the Historic District, In a Zoned “Open Space” designated area, in a historic residential neighborhood, in a documented “Wildland High Fire Risk” area, near a State Recreational Area, near a National Registered Historic Site (China Mission-Chung Wuh Cemetery).

Caring Service Group and Miller Funeral Home think it would be wonderful. Really????

Thank You for your time.

David Higgins
Fong St.
December 28, 2020

My Name Is Dave Higgins. I am a member of HFRA. I live near Lakeside Memorial Lawn. I have some questions and concerns about the proposed Crematory at the Lakeside Memorial lawn.

I have read the proposal submitted to the City of Folsom by Igor Semenyuk.

My first comment comes from their “Point at Issue”.

The proposal states Folsom has an estimated 450 deaths per year and an estimated 300 cremations need to be performed. That would be .82 cremations a day, present time. As the document states, “including Folsom Ranch, we need to have an on-site crematory in order to facilitate it’s increase. This does not take into consideration neighboring cities and their demand for cremation services. The 300 number is not real. I foresee the facility, in time, being a very busy place processing several remains a day, increasing traffic demands ie. funeral vehicles, propane delivery trucks, service trucks, funeral patrons.

Second comment comes from their “Our Proposition”

Lakeside Memorial Lawn is near residences, 117 homes in the “Preserves Neighborhood. Some in direct view of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn. This place is not that removed from residences, as stated. In addition, there are two parks, FLSRA and the playground on Sutter St.

Also, within the section, it states Lakeside Lawn does not have a gas or sewer line. The proposal states they will be installing two propane tanks. Where, how big, how often serviced by delivery trucks? I question the no need for a sewer connection or some other sort of liquid disposal.

Third comment comes from their” Cremation Process”

I am concerned the “Shed” might not be large enough to facilitate the process. I believe the shed currently houses equipment like the backhoe, garden tractor, mowers, trailers, hand tools, and chemicals used in the care of the grounds. Is there room for all? Is another building planned?
Will the remains be transferred outside the shed from the vehicle to the crematory oven in public view or within the shed, protected from public view?

Fourth comment comes from their “Scope of Work”

There is no mention of the height of the “stack”.

Living in the “Preserves” neighborhood is special. Great neighbors and community. Proximity to the treasures of Folsom. Lake Natomas, The Hike and Bike Trails, Historic Downtown Folsom, Muir House, Chinese Memorial Cemetery, Veterans Hall, and Sutter St. Play Park. They are wonderful places.

However, with all these wonderful things comes a down side. We have a lot of traffic. Muir house on weekends, FLSRA access point everyday, Veterans and delivery trucks to the Veterans Hall, Occasional City of Folsom vehicles accessing the back gate to the Crop Yard. Not to mention the ever present UPS, FedEx, and Amazon Delivery Vans.

So, It is my opinion, a Crematory at Lakeside Lawn would provide a service for the community. However, it needs to address and satisfy the concerns of the Preserves Community. If the proposal is approved, limit the number of daily cremations, limit the cremation to weekdays only. Have the proposed activity and operations away from public view. Evaluate the location and size of the shed and propane tanks. The Preserve neighborhood is basically a court, one way in one way out.

On a selfish note, I believe this could hurt our home values.

Please consider and weigh all aspects of this project. Once it’s approved there is no return.

Thank You for your time.

Dave Higgins
July 6, 2021

To: Historic District Commission
    Folsom Planning Commission

My name is David Higgins. I live at [REDACTED] Fong St, directly across the street from Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery. I am opposed to having a crematory placed in my neighborhood. A crematorium should be zoned for commercial - industrial areas NOT residential areas.

I have seen the proposal submitted by Igor Semenyuk and participated in the Zoom meeting hosted by HFRA for a crematorium at Lakeside Memorial Lawn. I have several concerns about the Crematorium.

Igor Semenyuk stated the crematory would probably operate 5 to 7 times a week. I assume this would be the initial start up number. I am concerned what the actual cremation number would be for the future. 2,3,4,5 a day? 5-7 days a week?

In the initial proposal submitted and in the Zoom meeting there was no mention of any noise. I would like to know if I am going to be subjected to a constant hum or roar from the machine.

How much propane is used during a cremation process and how often will I see propane trucks servicing the tanks and smelling the propane gas when refilling.

I won’t be looking forward to the increase in traffic from the vehicles delivering the bodies, service trucks, etc. Since we have only one access point in and out of this residential area, we already live with a large amount of traffic and congestion from light rail.

Igor Semenyuk stated the only smoke emitted is at the beginning of the process when a “puff of white vapor is released.” After researching crematoriums online I saw some disturbing videos of “white vapor” being exhausted out of crematorium stacks. Please see the links enclosed.

https://www.palmbeachpost.com/article/20150716/NEWS/812066867

https://www.weatherforddemocrat.com/opinion/letters_to_the_editor/the-crematorium-next-to-my-home/article_71e6f13d-ddaf-5f7c-a7fc-e057b98a1efc.html

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC1279940/

Will there always be an operator on site during the process to shutdown the machine if a malfunction arises?

In researching who regulates and inspects crematoriums the information is rather vague. The Federal Trade Commission regulates the funeral industry, however, it does not oversee crematoriums. Nobody seems to. It appears they are under the radar. So, is the fox guarding the hen house? Do we just trust they are going to do the right thing? I don't think so. The moment it is installed, it's there forever.

Speculation arises from the air quality. Can't find a definitive answer here either. Mercury from teething fillings, chemicals from embalmed bodies, medical prosthesis (pace makers), chemotherapy and radiation by-products from cancer patients. Are any of these materials released into the air or are they consumed 100% by the fire.

My home is approximately 575 feet from the proposed crematorium. Other homes are as close as 450 feet. Not very far. I suspect the smoke stack will be visible from my porch. I believe some of my neighbors will also have a view of the smoke stack.

Lakeside Memorial Lawn also shares this small neighborhood with the Chinese Cemetery, Veterans Hall, Muir House, access to the State Rec area and a quaint park and playground. It is my opinion all these facilities will be impacted. I also believe the crematorium will affect our property values.

Please don’t allow the crematorium in our residential area. It belongs in a commercial-Industrial area. Would you like it in your neighborhood?

Thank You for your time,

David Higgins
August 8, 2021

Folsom Historic Commission
Folsom Planning Department

My name is Dave Higgins, I am a retired Fire Captain from the City of Fremont, Ca. with over 30 years of experience, 10 of which I was a member of the HazMat Response Team. I live next to Lakeside Memorial Lawn where the proposed crematorium is planned. I am writing to express my concerns.

My concern centers around the two 250 gallon propane tanks proposed. This proposed facility is 30 feet from the Open Space/Wildland Zoned part of Folsom. 600 feet from my house. Should these tanks be exposed to fire, physical damage, or vandalism this neighborhood would be in serious trouble. Protection of the tanks, in my opinion, would be difficult.

There is a fire hydrant on the street at the entrance to Lakeside Memorial Lawn. The distance from the hydrant to the old shed is approximately 650 feet. The driveway, one way in and out is narrow, however, it could support two pieces of apparatus if not blocked by fire hose or parked vehicles. Clear access to the tanks would be difficult because of the tanks location. The tanks will be blocked by a fence, shrubbery, and trees. Placement of hoselines to reach the tanks could prove hazardous for firefighters.

Propane being a compressed gas expands 270:1 when released. This vapor is heavier than air and will creep along the ground and settle in low pockets. Should a leak occur at night a large section of the Preserve Neighborhood could be impacted. The Preserve Neighborhood has one access / exit corridor that passes directly in front of Lakeside Memorial Lawn. Should an event occur not all of the residents are getting out.
According to the “City of Folsom Community Wildfire Protection Plan” dated April 2013, The Sacramento County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan identifies Folsom as having the greatest density of housing subject to wildfire in Sacramento County. (page 5)

Folsom is a registered community at risk. The Folsom Fire Department has identified the greatest threat to the community from fire would be a fast moving wildfire in the brush and oak woodland fuel bed that line the American River where it flows through Folsom. (page 6)

The City of Folsom also has the responsibility to insure future planning and zoning decisions for development adjacent to open space areas including sufficient provisions for the clearance required to protect new and future structures. These provisions may include adequate setbacks, buffer areas, or other measures to reduce the wildfire risks. (page 7) In my opinion, the authors of this document overlooked the “City of Folsom Community Wildfire Plan”. The Negative Declaration states, page 61, “The project is not located in or near a State Responsibility Area or in a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone (Calfire2020;csq2020)”. On page 92, “Environmental Setting”, “The project site is not located in or near a state responsibility area or lands classified as a very high fire hazard severity zone”. It seems the

Negative Declaration overlooked or failed to seek out all relative information as to the fire hazards in the area.

In the past couple of months there have been several grass/wildland fire incidents in Folsom and within the Lake Natoma Recreation area.

- On June 2, 2021 storage shed at Negro Bar and the exterior of the Cliff House Restaurant was set on fire.
- On June 5, 2021, 3.5 acres was burned off Prairie City Road near the transient encampment.
- On July 7, 2021 encampment fire near Blue Ravine and Sibley.
- On July 16, 2021 several acres of vegetation burned in the Humbug-Willow Creek with reported difficulty accessing.
- On July 23, Folsom Fire Department requested the City to declare a “Local Fire Emergency”. Already this year, 47 brush fires, majority human caused.

Several times I have witnessed transient activity at the lake and in the nearby woodlands. I believe a fire from a transient camp or vandalism could impact the propane tanks. 500 gallons of propane is a lot of propane for a residential neighborhood with limited access.

I am not opposed to crematoriums. I am opposed to crematoriums in residential neighborhoods. “Folsom Distinctive by Nature”. This project belongs in a commercial industrial zoned area.

Thank You for your time,

Dave Higgins

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Liquefied Propane Gas (LPG) tanks are commonly found in the wildland-urban interface and present hazards to firefighters in that environment. LPG tanks may be found in a number of other environments such as motor homes,
travel trailers, grills, camp stoves, lanterns, etc. Directly attacking LPG tank fires is a structural fire task involving hazardous materials and should only be attempted by trained personnel using full structural personal protective equipment and equipped with a volume of water adequate to safely attack the fire.

Boiling Liquid Expanding Vapor Explosions (BLEVE)

- The most recognized hazard with LPG tanks is BLEVE (Boiling Liquid Expanding Vapor Explosions) or sudden complete failure of the tank. Some training courses have directed responders to approach the tank from the sides, believing that the force of the explosion will occur on the ends of the tank. However, this is not a guarantee that you will be safe from projectiles or missiles from the explosion, as they may travel in ALL directions up to 2,500 feet away. Leave the area immediately if you smell propane; hear a rising sound from venting safety devices or see discoloration or deformation of the tank. If you leave the area, get at least 2,500 feet away and do not go down wind or down slope of the leaking propane. BLEVEs are a major hazard to emergency responders!

Fuel Reduction Around Tanks

- Wildland firefighters may take action to prevent direct flame impingement on LPG tanks by removing wildland fuels in the area. However, be aware that lines from the tank to structures may be above or below ground, and may be cut by tools or equipment. Propane gas is heavier than air, and may move along the ground at some distance, and may ignited when in reaches open flame or another ignition source. Use extreme caution when doing fuels reduction around tanks, and flag any lines you encounter.

Other Wildland Fire Considerations

- Do not position engines or other apparatus near LPG tanks or downwind / down slope from tanks.
- Do not deploy fire shelters near LPG tanks or downwind / down slope from tanks.

Cooling Tanks

- In light fuels such as grasses, where any heat exposure to the tank will be very limited, rapid application of cooling water on the outside of the tank above the liquid level can reduce the likelihood of container failure by lowering the external temperature of the shell of the exposed tank. Water should not be directed at the valve safety devices, due to the potential of "icing" the valve closed.
- In heavy fuels where long duration heat exposure to the LPG tank is likely, evacuate all personnel and equipment 2,500 feet away and not down slope or down wind. NFPA says that direct flame impingement protection requires water flow of at least 500 gpm from an unmanned monitor nozzle. This is a situation for properly trained, equipped and supported structural firefighters.

References: Propane Safety Web Site, NIOSH Web Site, National Propane Gas Association's Web Site, NFPA Web Site

Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.
February 4, 2022

Historic District Commissioners
City Council Members
City Manager
Kelly Mullett

My name is Dave Higgins, I live across the street from Lakeside Memorial Lawn where the proposed crematorium is to be built. Over the course of summer to the present time I have taken pictures of activity at the cemetery. I wish to share.

This picture was submitted by the Caring Service Group and Miller Funeral Home’s 2-27-2020 application for the Conditional Use Permit to install a crematory. Two years ago. This is what the metal storage shed and surrounding grounds looked like in 2-27-2020.
This picture was also submitted 2-27-2020 to illustrate the look and size of the smokestack on the roof. The amateurish hand drawn chimney does not truly illustrate the true look or height of the proposed stack. According to the Negative Declaration the stack is to be 19½ feet total height from grade.
This picture was taken January 13th, 2022. This is what the maintenance grounds look like currently. The new storage shed is in the background and the existing shed is on the right. The metal security fencing surrounds the grounds and has a locked security gate. Note the Dredger Tailing Pile condition. It has been disturbed over the years.
This picture was taken January 13th, 2022. This picture illustrates the current look of the maintenance grounds, sheds and security fencing. The metal shed on the right is where the proposed crematory is to be installed.
This picture shows the propane tank pad right of the building under the large tree. This photograph was taken January 13th, 2022. The application site plan confirms the location of the propane pad. In addition, the site plan calls for 2 x 500 gallon tanks, not the 2 x 250 gallon tanks in the Negative Declaration text.
This photograph taken January 13th 2021 displays another angle of the location of the propane tanks pad. Blocked by a wooden fence, metal security fencing, a large redwood tree and the metal shed.
This picture was taken on August 4th, 2021. This is Lakeside Memorial Lawn groundskeeper, Valdimir Semenyuk, driving out of the cemetery with a 250 gallon propane tank. This picture is disturbing on many levels. It is my opinion that the Caring Service is very confident in the outcome of the Conditional Use Permit. If indeed this tank is for the Crematory it is very arrogant for the Caring Service Group to show no discretion in their activities.

Pictures are worth a thousand words.

Thank You
Dave Higgins
Josh Kinkade

From: Deb Ozdinski
Sent: Monday, August 16, 2021 1:29 PM
To: Josh Kinkade
Subject: Crematorium Project

[You don't often get email from Deb Ozdinski. Learn why this is important at http://aka.ms/LearnAboutSenderIdentification.]

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Josh,

Thanks for taking my call this morning.

As we discussed the Caring Services Group (Miller Funeral Home) applicant is applying to place a crematorium in a shed on that Lakeside Cemetery site.

What I want to do is remind you of our discussion that this crematorium affects so many people. Not only the city, the environment, homes close by, the river, Lake Natoma State Park and the other historic cemetery.

I am requesting the Applicant must also contact the owners of all the niches and family members that have buried their loved ones and disclose the proposed project to them. These people should be informed just like other projects MUST send out notices. YES, this is a unique situation and YES it should get unique attention. There is no excuse this far in advance that this added Notice can’t be done. Again, this is a unique situation.

I own my own niche for my husband and I. Other siblings of mine living today have purchased niches along the same wall that is closest to the metal shed. When I visit my parents, we stand and talk to them, and what we would be having to endure is a crematorium staring us in the face. How unpleasant do you think that will be? It would affect our use and enjoyment of the cemetery and visiting our loved ones. It makes me sick to think of visiting them while knowing bodies are being cremated just feet from my parents remains.

I please, please ask that the Applicant and City must take additional time and work to notify the people involved that purchased in that cemetery. There must be records of what they sold and to whom. If they have no records or lost records that tells you they have poor business practices.

Again, please make this a condition that those folks are informed and heard. They have the right to know! I am certain the numbers of people opposing this project will be ten times the numbers you would get otherwise. We purchase a spot for our loved ones to rest and now to think we may need to sell niches and move our parents. This is what we are faced with.

Please review with appropriate city folks and let me know what has been decided.

Just remember if you were in our shoes how would you feel? Ask those Planners that question too. It’s the right thing to do.

Regards.
Hi Josh,

I noticed that this Project's CUP is not included in the public review documents IS/MND released. CEQA refers to the CUP being an integral part of the public comment review period. The Governor's Office of Research and Planning wrote a guide titled, 'The Conditional Use Permit.' It states on page 3, paragraph 3, "...If the proposal is not exempt from environmental review, the city or county is required to prepare either a negative declaration indicating that the conditional use permit will have no significant effect, or an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) which describes the potential negative impacts of the proposal and the means to avoid or lessen those impacts.

Please see the CEQA references to the public's right to review below:

CEQA CALIFORNIA PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE, DIVISION 13.ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITYChapter 1: Policy

§ 21003. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCEDURES; DOCUMENTS; REPORTS; DATA BASE; ADMINISTRATION OF PROCESS

The Legislature further finds and declares that it is the policy of the state that:

(a) Local agencies integrate the requirements of this division with planning and environmental review procedures otherwise required by law or by local practice so that all those procedures, to the maximum feasible extent, run concurrently, rather than consecutively, ...

§ 21003.1. ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS OF PROJECTS; COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC AND PUBLIC AGENCIES TO LEAD AGENCIES; AVAILABILITY OF INFORMATION

The Legislature further finds and declares it is the policy of the state that:

(a) Comments from the public and public agencies on the environmental effects of a project shall be made to lead agencies as soon as possible in the review of environmental documents, including, but not limited to, draft environmental impact reports and negative declarations, in order to allow the lead agencies to identify, at the earliest possible time in the environmental review process, potential significant effects of a project, alternatives, and mitigation measures which would substantially reduce the effects.
(b) Information relevant to the significant effects of a project, alternatives, and mitigation measures which substantially reduce the effects shall be made available as soon as possible by lead agencies, other public agencies, and interested persons and organizations.

(c) Nothing in subdivisions (a) or (b) reduces or otherwise limits public review or comment periods currently prescribed either by statute or in guidelines prepared and adopted pursuant to Section 21083 for environmental documents, including, but not limited to, draft environmental impact reports and negative declarations.

§ 21064.5. MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION

"Mitigated negative declaration" means a negative declaration prepared for a project when the initial study has identified potentially significant effects on the environment, but

(1) revisions in the project plans or proposals made by, or agreed to by, the applicant before the proposed negative declaration and initial study are released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effect on the environment would occur, and

(2) there is no substantial evidence in light of the whole record before the public agency that the project, as revised, may have a significant effect on the environment.

§ 21080. DIVISION APPLICATION TO DISCRETIONARY PROJECTS; NONAPPLICATION; NEGATIVE DECLARATIONS; ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT PREPARATION

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this division, this division shall apply to discretionary projects proposed to be carried out or approved by public agencies, including, but not limited to, the enactment and amendment of zoning ordinances, the issuance of zoning variances, the issuance of conditional use permits, and the approval of tentative subdivision maps ... 

(c) If a lead agency determines that a proposed project, not otherwise exempt from this division, would not have a significant effect on the environment, the lead agency shall adopt a negative declaration to that effect. The negative declaration shall be prepared for the proposed project in either of the following circumstances:

(1) There is no substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the lead agency, that the project may have a significant effect on the environment.

(2) An initial study identifies potentially significant effects on the environment, but

(A) revisions in the project plans or proposals made by, or agreed to by, the applicant before the proposed negative declaration and initial study are released for public review would avoid the effects or mitigate the effects to a point where clearly no significant effect on the environment would occur....

§ 21092. PUBLIC NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT OR NEGATIVE DECLARATION; PUBLICATION
(b)(1) The notice shall specify the period during which comments will be received on the draft environmental impact report or negative declaration, and shall include the date, time, and place of any public meetings or hearings on the proposed project, a brief description of the proposed project and its location, the significant effects on the environment, if any, anticipated as a result of the project, the address where copies of the draft environmental impact report or negative declaration, and all documents referenced in the draft environmental impact report or negative declaration, are available for review, description of how the draft environmental impact report or negative declaration can be provided in an electronic format.

Josh, I request that you post the Conditional Use Permit in accordance to CEQA, and adjust the period of time for public review for this Project.

Deborah Grassl

On 1/7/22 10:20 AM, Josh Kinkade wrote:

Hello,

If you are receiving this email, you have previously emailed or sent a letter to City of Folsom staff and/or City Council members and their Historic District Commission representatives regarding the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematory project. Because you are an interested party, I am sharing the attached public hearing notice (which is being published in the February 6th Folsom Telegraph and sent to property owners within a 300-foot radius of the project site) and informing you that the Historic District Commission is considering the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) and Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the project at the February 16, 2022 Historic District Commission meeting.

The final version of the IS/MND, as well as additional project documentation, is located here: https://www.folsom.ca.us/government/community-development/planning-services/current-project-information. Physical copies of the document will also be made available at City Hall, at the Community Development Counter. The public comment period for the IS/MND begins on January 7, 2022 and ends on February 7, 2022.

The staff report for the CUP will be available here at least 5 days prior to the February 16 hearing date: https://www.folsom.ca.us/government/community-development/planning-services/historic-district-commission. A physical copy of the document will also be made available at City Hall, at the Community Development Counter.

Note that if you have emailed or mailed a comment to staff, or if your letter/email to City Council members or Historic District Commissioners was forwarded to staff, that comment will be included in the staff report for the CUP and will be available to the commission and general public prior to the hearing on February 16th. All additional comments received prior to the publication of the staff report will also be published in the staff report. You may also make a verbal comment at the February 16th meeting (up to 3 minutes in length per person).

Thank you,

Josh Kinkade
Associate Planner
Community Development Department
February 7, 2022

Historic District Commission
City of Folsom
50 Natoma Street
CA 95630

Dear Commissioners:

I would like to make a comment on the above-mentioned 2022 Lakeside Memorial Lawn Project Application. In 2002, the Lakeside Cemetery Crematorium made an identical application based on an Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration prepared by the City of Folsom. Those 2002 documents survive any subsequent consideration of an application with an identical project that, has no new substantial information, based on the holding in San Mateo County Community College (2016) 1 Cal. 5th 937.

OPINION J. Kruger “To ensure that governmental agencies and the public are adequately informed about the environmental impact of public decisions, the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code 21000 et seq.) requires a lead agency to prepare an environmental impact report (EIR) before approving a new project that “may have a significant effect on the environment” (id. 21151 (a). When changes are proposed to a project for which an EIR has already been prepared, the agency must prepare a Subsequent or Supplemental EIR only if the changes are “[s]ubstantial” and require “major revisions” of the previous EIR. (Id. 21166.) Guidelines … extend this subsequent review framework to projects for which a negative declaration was initially adopted, and no EIR was prepared...(CEQA Guidelines 15162.)”

According to the above court’s ruling, the existing 2002 Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) stands and must be the controlling document for an identical project.

Staff’s 2002 Findings on the CUP application were recommended for denial based the MND’s lack of substantial environmental information on: whether the operation of the crematorium would or would not affect the health, safety and welfare of the neighborhood residents; that a crematorium was not a compatible use with a historic cemetery because it did not agree with the Historic District Design and Development Guidelines or General Plan goals of history resource preservation of Folsom’s three unique historic resources (Chung Wah, Lakeside Cemetery’s 8 historic cemeteries, and State Preserve Dredger Tailings), and, because of the substantial reaction against the crematorium by the residents and history preservation groups.

Because the 2022 Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project MND and CUP do not have any standing the 2022 MND and CUP should be denied by the Historic District Commission based on San Mateo Gardens v. San Mateo County Community College (2016) 1 Cal. 5th 937.
If the Lakeside Cemetery wants to re-apply they can do so with the 2002 MND and a new CUP application. However, the Findings for the 2002 CUP denial would still be unanswered and a new CUP application would still have to answer to those deficiencies - by doing the CEQA environmental work that the MND failed to provide.

I recommend HDC deny the 2022 Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery Project with a recommendation to go back and do an Environmental Impact Report. If substantial information regarding the environmental studies should provide answers as to why the Staff recommended denial of the CUP originally, then reapply with a Subsequent EIR. A Subsequent EIR would have legal standing before HDC. The general public, residents surrounding the cemetery and history preservation groups are vigilant and will settle for nothing less.

Sincerely,

Deborah Grassl

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February 7, 2022

Historic District Commission
City of Folsom
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

RE Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project
PN-19-182

Dear Commissioners:

I would like to make three comments with regards to standards of guidance that control the approval or denial of the above mentioned Project and its request for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP). And then summarize a recommendation for denial of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Mitigated Negative Declaration and CUP operation.

Standards of Guidance: California’s Hierarchy of Planning Laws

1) Under State of California law, charter cities have the legal authority to issue conditional use permits (CUP) using their own written standards of guidance, with one proviso: the standards of guidance must be contained in the charter city’s Municipal Zoning Code, which must be in compliance with its adopted General Plan, which must be in compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) state laws.

The validity of a charter city’s CUP approval process derives from compliance with this hierarchy of planning laws (Neighborhood Action Group v. County of Calaveras (1984) 156 Cal. App.3d 1176). A charter city can name any number of documents as standards of guidance as long as they are contained in their Municipal Zoning Code, in compliance with their General Plan; and in compliance with CEQA. The reason for this hierarchy of planning laws is to check any unbridled discretionary act or decision by an administrative agency, and to help guide the administrative body’s Findings.

The City of Folsom is a charter city that authorizes the Historic District Commission to approve CUPs for projects in the Historic District. Some of Folsom’s standards of guidance are not in compliance with California’s hierarchy of planning law.

2) Folsom Municipal Zoning Code (FMC) 17.52 HD-Historic District is a good example.

The FMC 17.52 was crafted from a Master Environmental Impact Report (MEIR), taken from the Historic District Specific Plan mentioned in the 1988 General Plan as almost completed. When finished, this Plan was to be adopted by the City Council and become the controlling standard of guidance for the Historic District.

The Historic District Specific Plan was NOT adopted by the City Council. However, the Plan and MEIR were later used to develop the City’s Zoning Code 17.52 HD-Historic District, and to craft the Historic District Design and Development Guidelines, both as standards of guidance for the Historic
The unadopted Historic District Specific Plan and MEIR, were still used as standards of guidance for Folsom’s Municipal Code 17.52 and the Historic District Guidelines.

The historic record for how this standard of guidance came into being can be found in the (c.1995) Historic District Design and Development Guidelines Introduction, Chapter 1.03 CEQA Compliance:

“The City conducted environmental review of a proposed Historic District Specific Plan. Due to the nature and complexity of the Plan and the projects which will follow under it, a Master Environmental Impact Report (MEIR) was prepared. The City ultimately elected to implement zoning changes to Chapter 17.52 of the Folsom Municipal Code and design standards through the adoption of these Design and Development Guidelines. Many of the provisions of the proposed Historic District Specific Plan and the amendments to Chapter 17.52 are contained within these guidelines. Accordingly, the City Council relied upon the MEIR for evaluation and consideration of environmental impacts.

... The intent is to allow the creation of an environmental impact analysis and mitigation foundation in an MEIR for a broad planning project which will then enable significant reduced CEQA documentation for future projects built according to Chapter 17.52 and the Design and Development Guidelines.”

The Historic Specific District Plan and MEIR, the foundational instruments for FMC 17.52 and the Historic District Design and Development Guidelines, are in direct conflict with Folsom’s General Plan because they were/are used as standards of guidance but were not adopted by the City Council into the General Plan. Up until 2 weeks ago, the Historic District Specific Plan was on the City’s website as a Resource for the public who need information from the Planning webpage.

3) The Folsom Historic District Commission (HDC) has been given the authority to perform discretionary actions, i.e. the granting of a major CUP, without standards of guidance to facilitate mandated deliberation (CEQA Guidelines Section 15121) on whether a project qualifies for a major CUP as expressed in its FINDINGS (Protecting Our Water and Environmental Resources v. County of Stanislaus (2020) 10 Cal.5th 479).

Accordingly, the City of Folsom describes its standards of guidance for issuance of a CUP from its Historic District Design and Development Guidelines however one must go to FMC 17.60.101 Issuance Conditions and applicable laws, and to FMC 1.08 Enforcement of the Folsom Municipal Code and Other Applicable Laws to find standards of guidance for both the Planning Commission and the Historic District Commission. None of these webpages on the City’s website refer to CEQA as a controlling standard of guidance triggered by the discretionary act of approving a CUP.

CEQA is referred to in the General Plan Update PEIR as a controlling standard of guidance for discretionary acts. So, the FMC is in direct conflict with Folsom’s General Plan Update PEIR. Here is a conflict in Folsom’s planning law that enables unbridled discretionary decisions on Historic District projects.

Summary of Recommendation

The Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project and its CUP application is just such a project that requires CEQA deliberation and consideration, which is contained in the General Plan Update PEIR, but not in the FMC.
Approval of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Project and its CUP operations would have very big impacts on residents’ health, safety and welfare who live in the neighborhood, and big impacts on treasured historic resources based on the 2022 Mitigated Negative Declaration. I recommend careful CEQA study of the 2003 Initial Study Staff Report and Findings on the last time that the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery made the same application for a CUP and was denied. Please read the 2003 Findings on the CUP before you deliberate and make your Findings.

To summarize the questions that CEQA could generate on the 2022 MND (which are identical to the Findings in the 2003 MND), and that would satisfy the obligation to show deliberation and where Findings (sans Staff Findings) came from, are:

Is there enough definitive information contained in the 2022 Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) that is a health study, evidence based, published in a respected scientific medical journal, showing that this crematorium operation will not directly impact, or indirectly impact the health, safety and welfare of the 300+ residents that live next to it? Do you have enough evidence that says it’s okay to ignore General Plan policies, Historic District Design and Development Guidelines’ policies regarding preservation of, and protection of, unique historic resources? Is your decision respectful of the pioneers’ and Chinese cultures and their funerary rights? Does your decision reflect the respect the National Register of Historic Places, Sacramento County’s Cemetery Commission, the City of Folsom’s Master Preservation List of Historic Resources have for the Lakeside Lawn Cemeteries and the Chung Wah Cemetery? And, based on the evidence in the whole record, can you definitively say the Crematorium’s operation would have no impact on Folsom’s residents performing sacred ablutions graveside, visiting their interred loved ones, and living next to treasured cemeteries that are inundated with fine particles generated by 800 lbs of burning human flesh each day?

The operation of a crematorium at Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery is not a compatible use with historic cemeteries, or proved to have no impact on the health, safety and welfare of the community.

I recommend denial based on the 2003 Staff Findings that still contain the original, unanswered CEQA questions when applied to the new, 2022 Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Mitigated Negative Declaration and CUP operation.

Sincerely,

Deborah Grassl
cc email: Historic District Commissioners
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Josh Kinkade

From: Deborah Grassl
Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 4:56 PM
To: Josh Kinkade
Cc: Terry Sorensen; Steve
Subject: Re: Zoom meeting with Igor Semenyuk and HFRA/Lake Natoma Shores residents

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Thanks Josh. I don't know how I missed that the Initial Study and MND were combined.

A comment on the IS/MND: There is scant information on the crematorium's cumulative future impacts regarding traffic, circulation, air quality and wildfire safety.

Example: Igor didn't seem to know how often activities at the Cemetery generate a high level of cars parking on Forrest, Young Wo and Sutter Streets. He thinks that the Cemetery has 50 parking spaces and that is all he needs for future ceremonies and interments that future cremations will generate. In addition, he thinks that although he will conduct 500 cremations a year, this might generate 30 actual ceremonies and interments at the Cemetery...

Example: When asked about the Level of Service change at the intersection of Folsom Blvd and Forrest anticipated by the increased level of cars heading into the Cemetery to attend ceremonies and interments generated by the 30 cremations, he didn't know...

Example: When asked about what kind of wildfire design he used for the crematorium, he said that as far as he knew there weren't any wildfire problems. (He was unaware of Folsom's Community Wildfire Protection Plan. And although the IS stated that the Folsom Fire Chief signed off on the project, there was no input from the Fire Chief in the IS.) He then described how the blast zone of one of the propane tanks was 600' and he thought the propane tanks would be far enough away from homes to not blow them up. He didn't mention the National Registry of Historic Place Chung Wah Cemetery, the State Park filled with dry grasses and trees - or his own Cemetery filled with trees and dry grasses in the back abutting the State Park lands and on the old abandoned Figueroa Street behind 21 Young Wo Circle homes...

Example: Couldn't find any reference about if the crematorium will operate on days when our area is impacted by wildfire smoke or Spare The Air days. When asked if he realized that we are in a non-attainment area and that Folsom doesn't meet State or County government regulations to reducing overall air pollution, Igor didn't know whether the crematorium's air pollution footprint would help the City of Folsom meet the General Plan air quality goals or not...

These future operational impacts are important to people living at The Preserve, Lake Natoma Shores and the Historic District - not so much the IS's construction procedures of the actual building of the crematorium.
We would like Igor to get the environmental information for the cumulative effects of his future operation. That information will tell us whether the quality of our lives will be impacted by a crematorium or not.

Thanks,

Deborah Grassl
July 28, 2021

Dear Ms. Anderson,

I am writing to voice my concerns regarding the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn crematorium project. The crematorium would be built and operate just a few hundred feet from my home. After reading the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration posted on the Folsom City website and doing further research of reliable sources, I am not convinced that the effects would be “less than significant” for those living so near the project. I have serious concerns regarding the impact to air quality, including the release of toxins such as mercury that an operating crematorium would have on my family (my 83 year old mother lives on the same street), and other residents of the neighborhood.

My mother has lived on this street for 23 years and I have lived four doors up the street from her and been a teacher at the public middle school just one mile from our neighborhood since 2006. I ask that this proposal be denied and that the business owners find a location that is not so near a residential area. Please consider how you would feel if you were in our shoes. I imagine that most persons involved in this decision making process and those who would make a profit from the business, would not want their own family living so close to it.

Thank you very much for your time and attention to this very sensitive and important issue.

Sincerely,

Debra Williams
Young Wo Circle
Folsom, CA 95630
Dear Josh Kinkade:

Lakeside Memorial Lawn, owned by the Caring Service Group, has applied for a conditional use permit to install a crematory on the grounds, here in our backyard in Historic Folsom. This has serious implications for the physical, environmental, and fiscal health of our community and the Folsom Historic District.

Our homes and business in Historic Folsom have been here for many years. We do not want to jeopardize our beautiful community with the consequents of having a crematory installed.

Rancho Cordova has the Rendering Plant. The business and residents who live in the area complain of the horrible smell from the rendering plant. It’s stinky and you don’t want to go outside in your backyard. I’ve researched crematory online with different cities who have had complaints from residents with dark smoke and smell. We definitely do not want this in our neighborhood.

Historic Folsom is a charming place where people come to live, enjoy the outdoors with biking, and walking. The Historic Folsom Sutter Street attracts tourist and locals. If the crematory is approved this will change the Historic Folsom charm and lose the tourist and locals supporting the business on Sutter Street. It will also bring down the value of our homes.

We love and live here locally in the Historic Folsom area. I asked you to do the right thing and deny the conditional use permit to install a crematory on the grounds at Lakeside Memorial Lawn, owned by Caring Service Group.

Can you suggest to relocate somewhere else like Folsom Ranch on the other side of Hwy 50? Of course not near homes. There is plenty of open space land to build a crematory in that area.

Do not build crematory in a residential area. Its not fair to the home owners.

Please provide my email to the Historic Commission who will make the decision to deny or grant the decision of the permit.

Thank you

Diana Luzader

Wool St, Folsom Ca
On Aug 31, 2021, at 10:19 AM, Josh Kinkade <jkinkade@folsom.ca.us> wrote:

Diana,

I had your message forwarded to me regarding the proposed crematory facility at the Lakeside Memorial Lawn. The Conditional Use Permit (CUP) is subject to a vote by the Historic District Commission. We present a staff report to the commission along with any comments that have been received prior to the meeting, so if you wish to present any written comments to the decision-makers, you can email them to me and I can include them in the packet that we sent to the commission. Current information about the project, including the draft Initial Study that discusses the project in detail, can be found here: https://www.folsom.ca.us/government/community-development/planning-services/current-project-information

Thanks,

Josh Kinkade
Associate Planner

Community Development Department
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630
O: 916.461.6209

www.folsom.ca.us
Josh Kinkade

From: Scott Johnson  
Sent: Friday, August 27, 2021 11:47 AM  
To: Josh Kinkade  
Subject: Fwd: No Historic Folsom Crematory

Diana Matheny  
Sent: Friday, August 27, 2021 11:37:29 AM  
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>  
Subject: No Historic Folsom Crematory

Diana Luzader  
Wool Street  
Folsom, CA 95630  
August 27, 2021  
Scott Johnson  
Folsom, Planning Manager

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Sincerely,

Diana Luzader
Josh Kinkade

From: Scott Johnson
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 2:53 PM
To: Josh Kinkade
Subject: FW: Vote NO on Folsom Crematorium Proposal

Scott A. Johnson, AICP  
Planning Manager  
Community Development Department  
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630  
O: 916.461.6206

From: Edwin Grattan
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 2:52 PM
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>; Steven Banks <sbanks@folsom.ca.us>; Kelly Mullett <kmullett@folsom.ca.us>; kcolepolicy@gmail.com; danwestimit@yahoo.com; ankhelyi@comcast.net; johnfelts@e55tech.com; m.dascallos@yahoo.com; Elaine Andersen <eandersen@folsom.ca.us>; kerri@atlanticcorrosionengineers.com; Rosario Rodriguez <rrodriguez@folsom.ca.us>; Sarah Aquino <saquino@folsom.ca.us>; YK Chalamcherla <ykchalamcherla@folsom.ca.us>; Mike Kozlowski <mkozlowski@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Fw: Vote NO on Folsom Crematorium Proposal

To: City Council representatives and Folsom Historic District Commissioners

Re: Vote NO on Folsom Crematory Proposal
Public hearing scheduled for February 16, 2022

I am writing to you as a concerned resident in the Folsom Historic District. I am strongly opposed to the conditional use permit to install a crematorium on the grounds of a residential open space. I believe allowing a permanent, industrial incinerator in the residential open space does not meet the criteria of the Folsom Historic District.

I further believe this contradicts the city of Folsom motto, 'Distinctive by Nature'. I urge you to vote NO on the proposed Folsom Crematorium. Please consider the impacts to the environment, physical health of the residents and the fiscal health of the Folsom Historic District.

Vote NO on the Folsom Crematory Proposal.

Sincerely,

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Edwin Grattan
Historic Folsom Resident
To whom it may concern,

I live on the bluffs in Orangevale overlooking Lake Natoma. I have learned that a crematorium may be put in the Lakeside Cemetery next to the lake. This is a terrible idea.

I understand this is zoned as open space, and it should be kept natural. I paddle board frequently on the lake, enjoy being outside walking the paths and relishing the beauty I am so lucky to have in my backyard. A crematorium does not belong near residents and visitors to Folsom recreation, shopping and dining. Nor does this crematorium belong in an area that is next to a state park. Nobody wants to see or smell puffs of human remains/smoke while they are trying to enjoy the outdoors and neighboring areas; this should be put within an industrial zone or the like. Please help us keep the view and open space natural and (live) people-centered.

On another note, I would be furious and deeply disappointed if I heard this crematorium would be installed across or down the actual street from my home. Would you like it near yours?

Thank you for your time and attention to this important community matter.

Sincerely,
Erika Hamer
I am 8 years old, and I really don't want a crematorium in my neighborhood. My family lives in this neighborhood, and I don't want all of us to breathe bad air. I just moved here, and I don't want to move again. My grandparents live directly across from the cemetery. And my cousin lives 5 houses away from my grandparents, and she's only one! Please don't put a crematorium in my neighborhood there are lots of kids in the neighborhood.

Sincerely,
Evelyn Gates
Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery off Folsom Blvd. next to Sutter Street, owned by Miller Funeral Home, has applied for a conditional use permit to install a crematory here in the heart of our community. Their proposal has changed—they have doubled the number of bodies they propose burning each day. Burning 800 pounds of human bodies per day has serious implications for the physical, environmental, and fiscal health of the Folsom Historic District. Allowing a permanent, industrial incinerator in open space does not meet the criteria of the Historic District.

The time for action is NOW!

1. Mark Your Calendars!
   - The public hearing is scheduled for **February, 16, 2022 at 5:00 pm**.
   - Our attendance and participation is critical to ensure our interests are represented.

2. Write a Letter & Sign the Community Petition
   - The public review period, where public comment is collected, is from January 7 - February 7.
   - Write a letter to our Historic District and City Council elected representatives to tell them to vote "NO!"
   - Sign the community petition at noburningbodies.com

3. Phone a Friend (or 3)!
   - Please ask other community members, friends and family to write letters, sign the petition and attend on February 16th!

4. Want to Help?
   - Email protectthepreserves@gmail.com to sign up to help!

Noburningbodies.com
Contact Folsom Historic District Commissioners:

Scott Johnson, Planning Manager
Steve Banks, Principal Planner
Kelly Mullett, Administrative Assistant
Kathleen Cole - Vice Chair
Daniel West
Mickey Ankhelyi
John Felts
Mark Dascallos

Contact City Officials via Email:

Elaine Anderson, City Manager
Kerri Howell, Mayor
Rosario Rodriguez, Vice Mayor
Sarah Aquino, Council Member
YK Chalamcherla, Council Member
Mike Kozlowski, Council Member

Contact City Officials via USPS Mail:

50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

Contact Historic Folsom Residents Association:

thehfra@gmail.com
Dear K. Mullett,

I am a resident of the "Historic District" just across Folsom Blvd. within walking distance to old town Sutter St. I live on Sutter St. in one of the few historic homes that were spared when the Natoma Crossing Bridge was constructed. I love the neighborhood that I reside in. At first glance you would think it must be a dream come true area to call home. Well, we have had to accept and learn to live with relentless loud Light Rail dinging for 10 consecutive minutes on the half hour of every hour all day long and well into the evening EVERY single day. Roaring motorcycles that feel and sound like a freight train going through our home at all hours of the day, perhaps due to the close proximity of the Harley Davidson retail establishment just down the street, regardless, impossible to EVER enjoy a quiet summer morning or evening in our sweet yard. Add to the mind numbing roar of the motorcycles and we have constant noise pollution from the never ending backup of traffic on Folsom Blvd., not to mention the choking toxic exhaust and unhealthy fumes from this staggering amount of congestion of traffic, that truly does not lighten up until maybe 3:00am in the early morning and the quiet only lasts a couple of hours until it all begins again. This brings me to the proposal of building a crematorium on site of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery that is not a very big cemetery to begin with. The Preserves is a lovely neighborhood with a beautiful mix of elderly and young and everything in between. I can tell you though, that not many of us can take much more. I have had to accept an Air B&B next door (currently now a Beauty Salon), the homeless trying to set up residence in city owned triangles of tiny land, arrogant and selfish bicyclists that absolutely refuse to respect the numerous "please walk your bikes" signs and fly at breakneck speed through the pedestrian walkway access to the Light Rail Station and to old town Sutter St. I have heard and witnessed many close calls and am terrified of the day when a young child or an elderly will be hit by one of these self centered and entitled individuals that are very
reckless and dangerous, thinking they have found a fabulous shortcut to the bike trail along the river. The crematorium will, needless to say, be the "last straw" for many. I, for one, will not stay. I already ceasely worry about the toxic exhaust and dangerous unhealthy fumes from the close proximity to busy Folsom Blvd. It will truly be the one last thing that so many will see as one thing just too much to have to accept and make the best of.

Sincerely,
A quiet lovely senior citizen
Dear Folsom City Officials,

I have grown to cherish our city with it's well thought out planning and infrastructure. I guess that's why I'm so confused that the city would even consider building a crematorium literally one block from my house. In fact I'm quite frustrated that on a Saturday instead of enjoying time with my 9 month old and teenage sons I'm having to write an email defending what seems like a common sense decision. Building a crematorium one block from my house will not only do psychological harm to myself and my family but will also worsen the air quality in my neighborhood where I am trying to raise my family. We already have some of the worst air quality in the country. With annual wildfires causing horrible conditions every year that on many days it's not even recommended that we go outside. I cannot believe that you would even consider adding to that horrible pollution with the smoke of dead bodies being billowed into my backyard as we try to enjoy our lives in historic Folsom. As we try to BBQ with family and friends, all the while breathing the smoke of the deceased.

Please do the right thing and reject this proposal. Have the crematorium be moved to a remote and rural location where it belongs. Please protect the health and well being of my family and preserve the sanctity of historic Folsom.

Heather Hayes
Dear Mr. Johnson,

I am writing in regard to the proposed crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery. I am a resident of the Preserve neighborhood in Folsom.

My first concern with having a crematorium in my neighborhood is the release of harmful toxins into the air during the cremation process and the long term effects on me and my family. One such example is the mercury from the dental amalgam fillings being vaporized and released into the atmosphere. The emissions of mercury will not be regulated. There is no national standard for mercury emissions from a crematorium. There is no known lower level of toxicity of mercury. As stated in the 2019 Final Senate Crematoria Committee Report of Georgia:

“while there are emissions of other chemicals during the cremation process, mercury is of the most concern to communities near crematoriums. When mercury is burned, it becomes a colorless and odorless gas that can travel long distances. While mercury exposure has the potential to cause a variety of health problems, the brain and kidneys are especially vulnerable.”

https://www.senate.ga.gov/sro/Documents/StudyCommRpts/12CrematoriaStudy.pdf

The following 2020 study from the Canadian Journal of Public Health highlights the fact that crematoriums are a source of air pollution and should be monitored due to cumulative effects.

“This study underlines that the main concern about mercury from crematoriums is not acute exposure to immediately dangerous ground-level concentrations but long-term indirect exposure from the contamination of the environment and the food chain, although more difficult to assess quantitatively. It is important to inform decision-making around environmental permitting and pollution prevention to motivate further regulation. Crematoriums are a source of air pollution as a result of combustion of caskets and human bodies, as well as companion clothing, and should be subject to the regulatory framework covering all sources of air pollutants, notably including mercury. Environmental monitoring of mercury emission from crematoriums is warranted.”

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7728964
Another concern is the cremation of bodies that have had radiation treatment therapy or chemotherapy. If there are no ongoing emissions regulations, how is it determined there is no negative impact to the residents or environment?

A recent study from Journal of American Medical Association (JAMA) reported on an incident of radioactive contamination to the facility equipment and an employee that occurred in Arizona crematorium when a cancer patient was cremated.

“As of 2006 (the most recently reported data), 18.6 million nuclear medicine procedures were performed in the United States, with nearly 40 million performed worldwide. Safety regulations are well established for radiopharmaceutical administration in living patients. However, radiopharmaceuticals present a unique and often overlooked postmortem safety challenge. Cremating an exposed patient volatilizes the radiopharmaceutical, which can then be inhaled by workers (or released into the adjacent community) and result in greater exposure than from a living patient. Regulations for cremation of exposed patients vary by state, as well as internationally, and there are no regulations at the federal level in the United States.”

https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/fullarticle/2725673

It just seems common sense to not place a crematorium in close proximity to residents, a state park and a lake. Besides the above environmental concerns, there is the concern of fire or accidents at crematoriums. Here are a few examples. Many more can be found with a simple internet search:

**Human Remains Spewed into Air After Accident at San Diego Crematorium, May 2018**


**Investigation Underway After Fire At Sacramento Crematorium, June 2019**


**Erie funeral home avoids serious damage from roof fire; cremation suspected as cause**


Thank you for your consideration, Helen Walsh
PROJECT: 1201 Forrest Street, Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery in the State Open Space Area along Lake Natoma (Project File: 19-182)

REQUEST: Design Review including the installation of a crematorium in an existing metal shed and the installation of two freestanding propane tanks adjacent to the shed. Conditional Use Permit to operate the Crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery.


A similar application was processed through the City in 2002 and 2003. (Project File: 02-258)

BACKGROUND

Lakeside Cemetery was started by the miners at Negro Bar. In the days that followed the early gold rush the state property became a Pioneer Cemetery with a cluster of individual burial sites. As documented by Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission, the cemetery incorporates areas designated to the Jewish community, the Masons, the Oddfellows, the Cook Family, the Citizens of Folsom and a special area reserved for infants and young children. Cremations were not a part of the traditions during these times.

On November 24, 1998, Folsom’s City Council approved the Historic Preservation Master Plan. As a part of this document, Lakeside Cemetery was placed on the Preliminary Cultural Resources Inventory of properties and structures eligible for local listing. In 2006, the Masons and Oddfellows cemeteries were processed for listing and added to the City’s official Inventory.

THE PREVIOUS CREMATORIUM APPLICATION

When a crematorium addition was proposed for Lakeside Cemetery in 2002, planning staff recommended that the Historic District Commission should deny the Conditional Use Permit based on the age and history of the cemetery. The following issues were raised:

- The cemetery can provide unique information about the early days of Folsom and the various groups of citizen that lived in the City during this time.

- A crematorium was not included with Pioneer Cemeteries and a crematorium addition will impact the historic character of Lakeside Cemetery.

- Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission has identified Lakeside Cemetery as locally significant. (Six individual sub-areas of Lakeside Cemetery are included with Sacramento County Cemetery List.)
INITIAL STUDY
The Cultural Resources Chapter of the current Initial Study fails to mention that the City of Folsom and Sacramento County considers Lakeside Cemetery a locally significant historic site. It also does not describe the early use of the cemetery by various local groups of citizens.

The mitigation measures for cultural resources (CUL-01, 02, and 03) does not address the expanded use of the cemetery property. Instead these mitigation measures provide standard language for projects that require excavation (including the uncovering of archeological resources and human remains). Because the crematorium project will only require leveling of the ground before a concrete pad is installed (for fuel tanks), these mitigation measures does not apply to the proposed crematorium project.

CONCLUSION
The Lakeside Crematorium project has not changed since the previous application in 2002. The same findings that staff prepared in 2002 to justify a recommendation for denial still applies.

- The Heritage Preservation League of Folsom urges the Historic District Commission to deny the Lakeside Crematorium project.

The Initial Study does not discuss how the existing project will impact the historic significance of the Pioneer Cemetery. Any conclusion that environmental issues can be covered by a Mitigated Negative Declaration is therefore premature.

- The Heritage Preservation League of Folsom recommends that the Historic District Commission deem the Initial Study regarding the Lakeside Crematorium project incomplete.

Attachments:  
1. Findings for Denial PN02-258
2. Letter from the Chairman of Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission
Attachment 1

Findings for Denial
PN02-258
STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends denial of a Conditional Use Permit to operate a crematorium at an existing cemetery at 1201 Forrest Street in the Historic District, based on the following findings.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ACTION
MOVE TO DENY THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO OPERATE A CREMATORIUM AT AN EXISTING CEMETERY AT 1201 FORREST STREET IN THE HISTORIC DISTRICT.

FINDINGS FOR DENIAL

A. NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AT THE TIME AND IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND CITY CODE.

B. THE USE APPLIED FOR IS DETRIMENTAL TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, OR GENERAL WELFARE OF PERSONS RESIDING OR WORKING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND DETRIMENTAL OR INJURIOUS TO PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE CITY BECAUSE THE INTRODUCTION OF THIS USE WILL IMPACT THE HISTORICAL CHARACTER OF THE EXISTING CEMETERY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA.

C. THE CONGLOMERATION OF HISTORIC CEMETERIES, COMBINED WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE DREDGER TAILINGS DATING BACK TO THE 1850'S, CREATE A RARE COMBINATION OF UNIQUE CULTURAL RESOURCES THAT WILL BE IMPACTED BY THIS PROPOSAL.

D. THE USE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH GOAL 2 OF THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES IN THAT IT DOES NOT MAINTAIN THE HISTORIC USE OF THE SITE. IN ADDITION, THE PROJECT DOES NOT FURTHER DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINE POLICIES 2.1, 2.2, AND 2.3 IN THAT:

1. COMMISSIONERS FROM SACRAMENTO COUNTY HISTORIC CEMETERY COMMISSION HAVE IDENTIFIED THIS SITE AS LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT, AND COMMISSIONERS INTEND TO PRESENT LAKESIDE CEMETERY TO THE SACRAMENTO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR DESIGNATION AS AN HISTORIC CEMETERY.

2. APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A CONTEMPORARY USE THAT WILL JEOPARDIZE THE ELIGIBILITY STATUS OF THE SITE WOULD WORK TO DISCOURAGE, RATHER THAN TO ENCOURAGE, NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION.

3. BASED ON A LETTER FROM JAMES A. PURCELL, CHAIRMAN OF THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY HISTORIC CEMETERY COMMISSION DATED JANUARY 2, 2003, A CREMATORIUM IS NOT A CONSISTENT USE WITH A HISTORIC CEMETERY.
Attachment 2

Letter from the Chairman of
Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission
Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission  
4800 Broadway, Suite 100 
Sacramento CA 95820  

City of Folsom Historic District Commission  
50 Natoma Street  
Folsom, CA 95630  

Attn: Jane Talbot  

Dear Ms Talbot:  

The Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission is in receipt of your Notice of Public Hearing regarding PN 02-258 Conditional Use Permit and Mitigated Negative Declaration 1201 Forrest Street.  

The commission is charged with the duty to encourage the preservation and designation of historical cemeteries. We are currently preparing a list of those cemeteries in Sacramento County, which should be considered historic. It is my opinion that Lakeview Cemetery will be one of the cemeteries in Sacramento County that will be on the list that is to be presented to the Board of Supervisors for designation as an historic cemetery.  

While no official action has yet been taken by either The Cemetery Advisory Commission or The Board of Supervisors regarding Lakeview Cemetery we ask that you consider the above mentioned conditional use permit in the context of Lakeview's historic significance and endeavor to preserve its historic elements.  

Sincerely,  

[Signature]  

James A. Purcell, Chairman  
Cemetery Advisory Commission  

[Stamp]  

Chair, James A. Purcell  
Vice Chair, Dr. Robert La Perriere
Dear Council members, Planning Commision members, and Residence Association members,

The Lakeside Memorial Lawn crematorium proposal is deeply troubling to me and my family for a number of reasons. The Caring Service Group is not a small business and states outright on their website that they’re in the business of buying up and aggregating small funeral home businesses. This model further distances the business from its community's concerns and it shows with the “Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration” dated April 2021.

The TAC (Toxic Air Contaminants) assessment in Appendix B of the "Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration” dated April 2021 is flawed and irresponsible. Most specifically in terms of the evaluation of the impact to “Sensitive Receptors”. The report by Helix Environmental Planning notes that the adjacent residential houses are as close as 450 feet which is not that far! That's about the width of 5 or 6 lots in our neighborhood, 5 houses down the street. The report makes it sound like the combustion stack is remotely located away from our neighborhood which couldn't be farther from the truth. I walk the neighborhood regularly with my 1 and 3 year old children and it’s a short walk from the closest house to the proposed site which is where my son likes to occasionally ride his balance bike. The Historic District Historical Society write-up of the cemetery ([https://www.folsomhistoricalsociety.org/post/lakeside-cemetery](https://www.folsomhistoricalsociety.org/post/lakeside-cemetery)) concludes with “The next time you are in town I highly suggest you take a visit to the cemetery; the older burial sites are beautiful, and its quiet location makes a perfect Fall afternoon walk.” This will certainly change when there are constant emissions adjacent to the cemetery and increased vehicular activity carting the deceased to and from the crematorium “shed”.

The report also neglects to recognize that the American River Bike Trail is adjacent to the proposed site where numerous people of all ages including sensitive groups, i.e. elderly and families with young children religiously use the trail. The proposed industrial process does not fit within the open space plan of the adjacent area. It should not be used for a pollution buffer zone, it’s a recreation area. While using the trail, the folks that are exercising will be subject to toxic emissions, at times while breathing heavily. The Air Quality Board recommends restricted exertion levels of people when air quality is poor, so to introduce a source of constant emissions renders the trail effectively unusable, especially by sensitive individuals.
The assumption that the meteorological data used from the Sacramento Executive Airport station, almost 20 miles away, which regularly gets the delta breeze where the planned site does not, appears to be laughably unethical. The canyon near the proposed site has significantly different geography. It often has stagnated air that collects along the river trail which can be witnessed when exercising along the trail in the summer and winter months. At these times when the air is perfectly still, combustion gas from leaf blowers from the adjacent business parking lots simply stagnates right on the trail. Trail users should not have to worry about breathing in toxic hydrocarbon and heavy metal combustion products along with new unpleasant smells. The near-zero initial vertical gas velocity assumption of the stack configuration in the source parameters paragraph will only exacerbate the emissions settling issue on the trail and adjacent neighborhood. The 500 meter radius geography sample used in the analysis is not enough to capture the adjacent yet substantial cliffs in the region and could be interpreted to be an attempt to replicate geography near the airport which would also be unethical in terms of being non-representative.

For a city that wants to define itself as distinctive by nature, this is a far cry from the current mission statement. The benefits to the community are substantially outweighed by the safety risk and misuse of the planned site.

I strongly encourage the Folsom City Leadership to reevaluate the applicant’s intentions to monetize a currently quaint property with a toxic industrial process directly adjacent to a family oriented neighborhood and world class nature trail.

Sincerely,

Isaac Monical

Fong Ct
Folsom, CA 95630
Hi my name is jackson I am very very sad. Every day me and my neighbor friends play outside and I am not sure if that will be able to continue in the future. I am 10 years old and had my birthday party here. Will I be able to have another birthday party outside? will animals stay in our neighborhood?

Jackson
young wo circle
FYI

-----Original Message-----
From: James Tiberti
Sent: Monday, January 17, 2022 11:55 AM
To: Steven Banks <sbanks@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Crematories are located only in industrial and light industrial zoning in other localities. If you feel Folsom should be an exception to this, I suggest you help the Miller group to locate adjacent to Serrano. Jim Tiberti

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Sent from my iPhone
To: The Folsom Historic District Commission

The Caring Service Group and the Miller Funeral Home have applied for a conditional use permit to install a crematorium in an area that is zoned open space in the Folsom Historic District. I am very opposed to their plan of burning hundreds of bodies a year. Burning up to 800 pounds of bodies each day has serious implications for the physical, environmental, and fiscal health of our community.

I live in The Preserve/Lake Natoma Shores (over 100 homes) area which is located next to Lakeside Cemetery. Forrest Street, which is the sole entry point to our neighborhood, is narrow and curved. I have lived here over 25 years and at this point in time, it is frequently challenging to even enter or exit my neighborhood for a variety of reasons: Light Rail increased the traffic problems; The current traffic from our neighbors and visitors to the state park, the Lakeside Cemetery, the Murer House and the VFW cause time-consuming inconveniences that are sometimes dangerous. Please do not approve of the crematorium which will cause more danger and additional traffic.

The crematorium has proposed two, 250 gallon propane tanks above ground, in a wild fire danger area. There have been fires in the state park over the years. Countless people come to our neighborhood daily to walk, run, ride bikes, trikes, boating and to enjoy Lake Natoma. Please do not put those of us who live here and the people that come here to enjoy the state park and lake, in danger by approving the crematorium.

In addition, I am extremely concerned about the air quality if the crematorium is approved. Poor air quality, smell, increased fire risk and toxic particulate matter will cause lasting damage on the physical and environmental health of our community. According to the Sacramento County’s Air Quality Management District, the crematorium would be self-regulated, with the County having very little
oversight over the mercury-based emissions. The Initial Study by HELIX Environmental Planning Inc., notates levels for harmful toxins including chromium, mercury, and organics. Our local experts have warned that those toxins are most dangerous when vaporized. The smaller the particulate matter, the more dangerous it becomes. The report designates the level as “not significant.” That only applies to the average, healthy adults. The study does not report significant and potentially deadly levels for unborn children, developing children, elderly, and those with existing health conditions. I am a senior citizen with health issues and there are many young children that live here and many more that come to play in the nearby Preserve Mini Park on Sutter Street.

Please protect Historic Folsom. I am not opposed to a crematorium in a rural or industrial area. I am extremely opposed to a crematorium next to open space, neighborhoods, and a recreational area where people come here to enjoy Lake Natoma and our lovely Historic Folsom.

Sincerely,

Janice Brial  
Sutter St.  
Folsom, CA 95630
To: Chairman Daron Bracht  
Chairman of the Folsom Historic District Commission

Dear Chairman Bracht,

It is my understanding that there is going to be a meeting about a proposed Crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery, at the Folsom Historic District Commission soon. It has been challenging to try to be up to date about what is going on during the last year of COVID. I am not aware of the developer contacting anyone in my neighborhood about the crematorium. I wonder if they have contacted the state park that is also near by?

I live in The Preserve/Lake Natoma Shores which is located next to Lakeside Cemetery. There are over 100 homes. Also, people using The Murer House, Lakeside Cemetery, the VFW and the Preserve Mini Park only have one way to drive in or out of this area on Forrest St. Forrest St. is small, curved and has very narrow parts. I have lived here over 25 years and at this point in time, it is frequently challenging to even enter or exit my neighborhood.

The state park is also next to this neighborhood. We have many people coming through riding their bikes, trikes, scooters, walking and running through our neighborhood. We also have traffic with people driving to Young Wo Circle and parking next to the state park and accessing the state park for biking, kayaking, running, walking, etc.

One frequent problem in trying to get in and out of Forrest Street, is the frequent train traffic. At this point in time, I believe that a train comes and goes to Old Town Folsom every 30 minutes (to and from Old Town Folsom). I have been told that the train traffic is going to be increased to every 15 minutes. When that happens, it will be much more difficult to exit and enter Forrest Street, which is the only way all of the above mentioned drivers can get in and out of the neighborhood.

A driver frequently must wait to exit Forrest St, for the traffic lights to cycle through 2 times, because a train is either going to or coming from Old Town Folsom. All of this is tedious and inconvenient. However, the biggest concern is when there is an actual emergency such as a fire at the state park (which has happened) or a fire or other emergency...
anywhere in this area. People could be trapped and unable to safely leave the ONLY EXIT on Forrest St. It seems only sensible that nothing else should be built in this area when a safe exit does not exist in case of any type of emergency.

Drivers who are familiar with the complicated intersection at Folsom Blvd, Natoma Street/Forrest St. and are attempting to leave Forrest Street, know that there are two very small slots to exit next to Folsom Blvd. The right slot in the lane, is for right turns only. The left slot of the lane, is for turning left on Folsom Blvd. or going straight to Natoma St. Unfortunately, the individuals who are unfamiliar with the intersection frequently sit in the right hand lane slot and block the only exit that does not require a green light to leave. Any increased traffic to the Lakeside Cemetery will cause the intersection to be even more dangerous.

Our hard working Folsom Police Department also uses the entrance at Forrest St. and pulls over vehicles that have been speeding on Folsom Blvd., or breaking the law in other ways. It is rather routine to see one or more vehicles pulled over on Forrest St., opposite the entrance to Lakeside Cemetery. It is crowded and a driver must cross, to drive to the other side of the street, to get by.

I am not aware that the Lakeside Cemetery has notified any of the nearby residents or businesses about the proposed crematorium. We would all be involved in our attempts to exit and enter our neighborhood with any increased traffic. It seems like such a facility should only be installed in an industrial or commercial area, not near a neighborhood and state park.

My other concern is air quality. I am sure there must be safety precautions regarding fumes and dangerous particles going into the air with crematoriums. However, things happen, and sometimes even the best made plans do not work. We already have unsafe days and are sometimes told to not even walk outdoors. We are hundreds of people of all ages from babies to senior citizens. Many of us already have existing asthma, allergies and other breathing issues. Please do not allow a crematorium to be put into this lovely area where people are exercising (walking, biking, running, etc.) in our neighborhood and also going to and from the state park. I moved here to have a healthy life style near beautiful Lake Natoma and charming Old Town Folsom.

Please share my letter with the rest of the Historic District Commission. Please let me know that you received this email.

Thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

Janice Brial
Sutter St.
Folsom, CA

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From: Jennifer Grattan
Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 2:20 PM
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>; Steven Banks <sbanks@folsom.ca.us>; Kelly Mullett <kmullett@folsom.ca.us>; kcolepolicy@gmail.com; danwestmit@yahoo.com; ankhelyi@comcast.net; johnfelts@e5Stech.com; m.dascallos@yahoo.co; Elaine Andersen <eandersen@folsom.ca.us>; kerri@atlanticcorrosionengineers.com; Rosario Rodriguez <rodriguez@folsom.ca.us>; Sarah Aquino <saquino@folsom.ca.us>; YK Chalamcherla <ykchalamcherla@folsom.ca.us>; Mike Kozlowski <mkozlowski@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Fwd: Vote NO on Folsom Crematorium Proposal

To: City Council Representatives and Folsom Historic District Commissioners

Re: Vote NO on Folsom Crematory Proposal
Public hearing scheduled for February 16, 2022

I am writing to you as a concerned resident in the Folsom Historic District. I am strongly opposed to the conditional use permit to install a crematorium on the grounds of a residential open space. I believe allowing a permanent, industrial incinerator in the residential open space does not meet the criteria of the Folsom Historic District.

I further believe this contradicts the city of Folsom motto, 'Distinctive by Nature'. I urge you to vote NO on the proposed Folsom Crematorium. Please consider the impacts to the environment, physical health of the residents and the fiscal health of the Folsom Historic District.
Please preserve the environment, the physical health of the residents and the community as a whole.

Vote NO on the Folsom Crematory Proposal.

Kindly,

Jennifer Grattan
Historic Folsom Resident
Josh Kinkade

From: Steven Banks  
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 10:20 AM  
To: Josh Kinkade  
Subject: FW: NO crematorium

FYI

-----Original Message-----
From: jeri livesay  
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 10:00 AM  
To: Steven Banks <sbanks@folsom.ca.us>  
Subject: NO crematorium

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Please vote NO....our air quality does not need gramma and grampas ashes floating around......vote NO NO NO

Sent from my iPad
Josh Kinkade

From: Kelly Mullett
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 10:05 AM
To: Josh Kinkade
Subject: FW: NO crematorium

-----Original Message-----
From: jeri livesay
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 10:02 AM
To: Kelly Mullett <kmullett@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: NO crematorium

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Please vote NO.......our air quality is already compromised enough throughout the year....we don’t want this.......vote NO NO NO

Sent from my iPad
Scott A. Johnson, AICP
Planning Manager
Community Development Department
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630
O: 916.461.6206

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-----Original Message-----
From: Jeri Live
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 9:57 AM
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: No crematorium

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Please vote NO.....our air quality cannot have ashes.....NO NO NO Sent from my iPad
From: Elaine Andersen
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 12:30 PM
To: Josh Kinkade
Subject: FW: NO crematorium

-----Original Message-----
From: jeri live
Sent: Friday, February 4, 2022 10:08 AM
To: Elaine Andersen <eandersen@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: NO crematorium

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Please vote NO.......our air quality is already compromised we don’t need even more issues with ashes hindering our oxygen.......vote NO NO NO Sent from my iPad
Hi there,

I am writing to you as a plea to vote “no” on the crematorium proposal in the residential Preserve neighborhood of Historic Folsom. My mom lives there and we frequently visit her with our small children, especially in the Spring and Summer when the weather is nice and we can play outside at her house and nearby the river.

A crematorium doesn’t belong there. The noise of machinery, the increase of cars in and out of the neighborhood, AND the pollution in the air will devastate the livelihood of the people who live and visit there.

A crematorium should be placed in an industrial area. Please vote in favor of the residents who need you to protect their neighborhood.

Thank you,

Jessica Grob
From the desk of Joan Boyle

I am writing to you today because it has come to my attention that Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery is working to put a crematorium on the property located at the intersection of Folsom Blvd and Forrest St. The crematorium will be housed in a shed, serviced by two 250-gallon propane tanks, and have a smoke stack installed for ventilation.

Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery is part of the Miller Funeral Home which is owned by Caring Services Group. When looking at Caring Services Group’s website their opening statement is, and I am quoting here, “Caring Services Group was established in 2010 with a primary goal of purchasing Funeral Home businesses.” With this as their primary goal, they do not appear to be a family-owned business with the best interests of the community at heart, but more a corporation that only cares about their bottom line. I attended a Zoom meeting where Igor Semenyuk, the Chief Operations Officer for Caring Services Group, was speaking on the topic. When asked why they wanted to place the crematory in the Lakeside Memorial Lawn he said something to the effect that ‘the location is cost effective’. Again, no regard for the community or it’s people, just their bottom line.

Lakeside Memorial Lawn is currently designated as Open Space which excludes it from operating a crematorium. The owners are applying for a Conditional Use Permit to change that. This is very concerning for a number of reasons, including but not limited to:

- **Toxicity levels** – harmful toxins such as chromium, mercury and organics become most dangerous when vaporized. While the initial report by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. notes the levels as “not significant” this applies to only average healthy adults. The study fails to report the effect on unborn children, developing children, the elderly and those with existing health conditions.

- **Air Quality** – poor air quality, smell and toxic particulate matter will cause lasting damage on the physical, environmental and fiscal health of our community.

- **Fire Danger** – two 250 gallon above ground propane tanks pose a real threat to the area. The proposed crematory site is located within a wildfire danger area. It is also adjacent to the American River Bike Trail, Lake Natoma and a residential neighborhood. If there were to be a wildfire or vandalism, the propane tanks could cause untold damage to the area.

- **Traffic** – there is only one ingress and egress to the area. This intersection of Folsom Blvd and Forrest St is already compromised by the light rail train interruptions. Additional business, or the need for an emergency evacuation could be very problematic.

Please deny the Conditional Use Permit to operate a crematorium at this location.

In closing, I am not opposed to a crematorium. But it should be placed in an appropriately zoned area, not in Historic Folsom, adjacent to the American River Bike Trail and Lake Natoma.

Regards,

Joan Boyle
From the desk of Joan Boyle

It is clear from this picture that the shed, actually both of them, are visible from Folsom Blvd. How can the report conclude that “Tailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard prevent the site from being visible from that street.”? That is not a true statement. You can clearly see the shed, and the smokestack is not even installed yet. That’s at least another 10 feet in the air, but the report says the smokestack was taken into consideration. How can the report be trusted?

Second:

- **In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection XVII. Transportation** it states “As the crematorium would not be located in or near a funeral home and would be separate from any funeral services or public gatherings provided by the project applicant, access would only need to accommodate a small number of staff members with a business at the site.” While in the **Lakeside Memorial Lawn, Scope of work – Installing a Crematory – Point at Issue** it states “There are several large cultural communities residing and moving into Folsom. Regretfully, we do not have the ability nor the capability to serve the Sihk, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation-based cultures as they require an on-site crematory so that they are able to exercise their funeral rights and customs. Currently there is no crematory in the city of Folsom so they must find the services outside the city.”
  - Is the proposed crematorium going to be opened the public so “the Sihk, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation-based cultures as they require an on-site crematory so that they are able to exercise their funeral rights and customs”, or is it just open to a “small number of staff members”?
  - If it is the former, will the Initial Study be updated to reflect that? I have reached out to the consultant to ensure clarity on this

I have yet to hear back from Josh on this topic. But, if the primary purpose of the Conditional Use Permit is to have “the capability to serve the Sihk, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation-based cultures as they require an on-site crematory so that they are able to exercise their funeral rights and customs” but, as the Mitigated Negative Declaration says, only a few workers will be on site, then there’s no need to put the crematorium at the cemetery. It should be located in a properly zoned area. At best these are two completely contradictory statements. It appears to me that this issue needs to be resolved prior to voting on the request.

I understand this is a difficult decision you are championed to make. I implore you to consider the nature of Historic Folsom, the American River Bike Trail, Lake Natoma, as well as the welfare of the residents when making your decision.

Thank you for your time.

Kindest regards,

Joan Boyle
From the desk of Joan Boyle

Hi. Let me introduce myself, my name is Joan Boyle and I am a resident of the Preserve neighborhood. I am writing to you today regarding the upcoming vote on the proposed crematorium at the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery.

I have spent some time reading through documents from both Caring Services Group and the City of Folsom, including The Scope of Work and the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration, and I have some concerns and questions. I sent a number of questions to Josh Kinkade, the Project Planner at the City of Folsom, regarding statements and conclusions made in the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration. Below I have highlighted two of my questions that are particularly concerning to me (Josh’s responses are in red).

First:

- **In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection I. Aesthetics** it also states “Tailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard prevent the site from being visible from that street.” Note: Attached is a photo showing that the shed (even without the smokestack) is visible from Folsom Blvd.
  - Was the installation of the smokestack taken into account when this statement was made? Yes

- **In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection I. Aesthetics c)** concludes “Less Than Significant Impact”. I would argue that the view of a smokestack in a Historic cemetery, adjacent to the American River Bike Trail and a residential neighborhood is significant.
  - What criteria was used to determine the impact is “Less Than Significant”? It was determined that the smokestack would be adequately screened by existing walls and landscaping. If the commission would want additional screening, they can add that to the conditions of approval as part of their decision on whether to approve the project.
Dear Josh,

Hi. Let me introduce myself, my name is Joan Boyle and I am a resident of the Preserve neighborhood. It has come to my attention that Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery is working to put a crematorium on the property located at the intersection of Folsom Blvd and Forrest St. I am reviewing the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration to try and understand the details of the proposal. I have a few questions. This is all very new to me, so I apologize in advance if my questions are basic.

Just for background, I did attend a Zoom meeting where Igor Semenyuk, the Chief Operations Officer for Caring Services Group, was speaking on this topic. I mention this, because in some of my questions I will be referencing things Igor said in that meeting.

Okay so, here we go...

- **In Section 11.0 Initial Study Preparers** it states that you are one of the preparers of the document along with HELIX Environmental Planning Inc. and ECORP Consulting, Inc. But Igor said over and over again in the Zoom meeting that he paid $30,000 for the report.
  - Who prepares the report?
  - Who pays for the report?
  - If Caring Services Group is paying for the report how is impartiality achieved in determining the conclusions presented in the report?

- **In Section 3.3 Project Characteristics** in the Initial Study dated April 2021 it states “The applicant anticipates one or two cremations on most business days (Monday through Friday) and expects that the total will not exceed 500 cremations per year.” While in the Initial Study dated January 2022 it states “The applicant anticipates 1 - 4 cremations on business days (Monday through Friday) with the total number of cremations not exceeding 500 per year.”
  - Why was this verbiage changed?
  - Who requested this verbiage change?

- **In Section 3.3 Project Characteristics** it states that “The applicant anticipates 1 - 4 cremations on business days (Monday through Friday) with the total number of cremations not exceeding 500 per year.” But in the Zoom meeting Igor commented that it could be up to 5 per day.
  - Is this Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration study and all its subsequent findings (including Air Quality), based on 1, 2, 3 or 4 cremations a day?
In Section 3.3 Project Characteristics it also states that HCT Apex-250 crematory will be installed in a shed, and “The shed would be modified to accommodate this device, but the shed’s footprint would not be expanded.”
  o What modification(s) are being made to the shed?

Section 3.3 Project Characteristics it also states “Two 250-gallon propane tanks would be installed on a proposed concrete pad along the northern side of the shed to provide power for the crematorium, as no gas lines currently exist on the property.” In Appendix A it states “(N) 2 X 500 gallon propane tanks”
  o What is the size of the propane tanks 250 gallons or 500 gallons?

In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection I. Aesthetics it states “A small exhaust stack would be added to the roof of the shed. The stack would be approximately 19.5 feet above grade, and would project approximately 10 feet above the existing roof of the shed.”
  o This statement uses the words small and approximately. Why is this statement so vague?
  o Shouldn’t Caring Services Group be able to provide specific enough information to calculate exactly how tall the smokestack would be, and provide that information to the writer of this report?
  o Example: If the smoke stack is installed 19.5 feet above grade and the shed is a single story building of approx. 12 feet, won’t the stack be more realistically about 15 feet above the existing roof? Doing the math - an 8 foot crematory (estimate) plus 19.5 foot smoke stack, minus a 12 foot tall shed equals 15.5 feet. I know it doesn’t seem like much, but aesthetically when you live in the neighborhood, a 15 foot smokestack towering above a 12 foot shed is much different than a ‘small’ smokestack.

In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection I. Aesthetics it also states “Tailing piles between the site and Folsom Boulevard prevent the site from being visible from that street.” Note: Attached are two photos showing that the shed (even without the smokestack) is visible from Folsom Blvd as well as Forrest St.
  o Was the installation of the smokestack taken into account when this statement was made?

In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection I. Aesthetics c) concludes “Less Than Significant Impact”. I would argue that the view of a smokestack in a Historic cemetery, adjacent to the American River Bike Trail and a residential neighborhood is significant.
  o What criteria was used to determine the impact is “Less Than Significant”?

In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection III. Air Quality there is so much information in this section, so my questions on this section are very general.
  o The initial report by HELIX Environmental Planning, Inc. notes the levels as “not significant”. It is my understanding that this applies to average healthy adults. Is that true?
  o If so, does the study have findings that report the effect on unborn children, developing children, the elderly and those with existing health conditions?

In Section 9.0 Environmental Initial Study Checklist Subsection XVII. Transportation it states “As the crematorium would not be located in or near a funeral home and would be separate from any funeral services or public gatherings provided by the project applicant, access would only need to accommodate a small number of staff members with a business at the site.” While in the Lakeside Memorial Lawn, Scope of work – Installing a Crematory – Point at Issue it states “There are several large cultural communities residing and moving into Folsom. Regretfully, we do not have the ability nor the capability to serve the Sikh, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation-based cultures as they require an on-site crematory so that they are able to exercise their funeral rights and customs. Currently there is no crematory in the city of Folsom so they must find the services outside the city.”
o Is the proposed crematorium going to be open the public so “the Sikh, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation-based cultures as they require an on-site crematory so that they are able to exercise their funeral rights and customs”, or is it just open to a “small number of staff members”?
o If it is the former, will the Initial Study be updated to reflect that?

Thank you in advance for your time. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at [redacted]

Kind regards,
-Joan Boyle
Kelly Mullett
Administrative Assistant

Community Development Department
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630
O: 916.461.6231
F: 916.355.7274

My husband and myself, Stephen and Joanne Dudgeon are against the crematorium being considered for the Folsom area. Please think about the children and citizens of our community and how it will adversely affect us.

We vote NO for this crematorium.

Joanne Dudgeon
Crestridge Lane
Folsom, Ca. 95630
Dear Planning Manager Scott Johnson:

I am writing again today as a very concerned citizen and resident of Historic Folsom. The issue is the proposed crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery near the intersection of Folsom Boulevard and Forrest Street. Because the Commission represents all of the people of Historic Folsom, I urge you to deny the building of the proposed crematorium at this location.

My concerns include fire safety and air quality. The City of Folsom has signed agreements. Because the City needed a certain amount of Open Space, Lakeside Cemetery was zoned as Open Space. This seemed fitting in that the Cemetery adjoins an historic Chinese heritage cemetery, and the American River Bike Trail. Access to our adjacent Preserve residential community is limited, with one way in, and one way out. Fire engine access to the neighborhood can be difficult. It is fitting that the City of Folsom signed the document declaring our whole area as a high-risk fire zone.

Our neighborhood hosts a trailhead to the American River Bike Trail, and Lake Natoma. The recreational opportunities of both bring many people to our neighborhood. (And money to the local businesses.) Biking or hiking along the trail, one can see that the dead wood from the drought and heavy winds is everywhere. Some clearing has been done, but still much tinder remains. I encourage you to come walk or bike this area. Right now, we enjoy green grass. But from early spring through what we hope will be a rainy season, the grasses are extremely dry, tinder waiting to be ignited. Individually we pray that no one drops a match, or all of this area will be up in flames. It is common knowledge that we are in, and presumably will stay in a major drought. This potential flammability is a reality which intensifies each season.

Imagine the residents' concerns when we heard of the project which will put a blast furnace and two propane tanks above ground in the middle of all this! And with no additional water lines! The cemetery management seems to think this proposal is a done deal. No one plans for an “accident”
to happen, but we all know that accidents do happen, and then questions are asked, "Who approved such a thing?!" Should just one of these tanks ignite, the blast range is 1800 feet, and the resulting fires could wipe out most of Historic Folsom. Do you want the loss of life, in addition to property, both residential and commercial, attached to your approval of such a risky project?

**Air quality is another concern.** Last summer, we all suffered from forest fire smoke, (notably smoke trapped in our Preserve neighborhood) to the point that we were advised we should not leave our houses. Because of what smoke does to our lungs, and to our children’s health, we were hesitant to go shop or eat at, the multiple Folsom small businesses that depend on locals’ patronage to survive. This economic challenge for our merchants was in addition to Covid slowdowns and closures. Do we need to add to the economic issues by building a crematorium walking distance away? Smoke of human remains does escape a crematorium, and cremating obese human bodies emits a dark smoke that smells horribly. The wind will carry these fumes to all of Historic Folsom. Air quality affects both human and fiscal health of our Historic Folsom. Would you choose to eat outside at a restaurant on Sutter Street and breathe burning bodies, or drive minutes and eat at the Palladio?

An additional concern is that the cemetery management has expressed an entitled attitude by starting construction before the approval has been issued. Might that attitude extend to safety issues? Lakeside Cemetery originally projected an average of one cremation a day, now doubled! but what can stop the increase to multiple cremations per day? When asked about permits, the reply was “Oh, the city will take care of that.” Does Lakeside Cemetery speak for the Historic Folsom Commission? Does it speak for the City of Folsom? Do we need more air pollution in this area, let alone escaping fumes of human remains? No, we do not.

I do not oppose a crematorium, but it must not be built in this Open Space and High-Risk Fire Zone. It should be approved and built in an industrial area with adequate access to water, fire prevention and containment. Thank you for your time and your attention to this very important issue.

Sincerely,

Joy Hays

Young Wo Circle

Folsom, CA 95630

January 29, 2022    cc: sjohnson@folsom.ca.us
NO LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN CREMATORIUM!
Entire Family alive, still living and dead and buried in Folsom too.

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historical and sacrificial...
Commission and Council Members,

Folsom is a second home to me; I spend a lot of time there as I have many life-long friends, including my children’s godparents, who live in the housing development next to Lakeside Cemetery. Some of the things I love most about Folsom are the trails along the river and quintessential Sutter Street. When visiting, we are almost always outside enjoying the fresh air, kind people and beautiful scenery that Folsom has to offer. During the pandemic we have celebrated numerous events outdoors including backyard birthday parties, playdates in the little park, baby showers, and family gatherings where we would take walks on the trails and to Sutter Street to pick up food. It is a unique city rich with history and charm, that would be greatly diminished by the establishment of a crematorium at the cemetery.

It would be devastating if this crematorium is put in. I can’t imagine anyone would want to visit the resting place of their loved ones at the cemetery, while breathing in the smell of the crematorium. None of us would want to gather outside together or let our children play at the playground when it’s a burn day. The people who walk and bike on the trails and eat at the restaurants on Sutter Street would disappear on these days as well. People will stop visiting Folsom.

Ask yourselves how would you feel if you or your loved ones lived or owned a business next to a crematorium? Our quality of life will have a significant negative impact if this crematorium is allowed to be built; families and businesses will suffer repercussions for years to come. Please keep letting us live life and enjoy the clean air in the neighborhood, on the trails, and when spending time on Sutter Street.

Thank you,

Katie Musfelt
From: Dave Higgins
Sent: Tuesday, July 20, 2021 7:31 AM
To: danwestmit@yahoo.com; daronbr@pacbell.net; ankhelyi@comcast.net; kcolepolicy@gmail.com; kevin.duewel@gmail.com; m.dascallos@yahoo.com; johnfelts@e55tech.com; Mike Kozlowski; Sarah Aquino; YK Chalamcherla; kerri@atlanticcorrosionengineers.com; rrodriquez@folsom.ca.us; Elaine Andersen; Josh Kinkade
Subject: Proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium

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July 20, 2021

NO…. to the Crematorium

My Name is Kim Higgins. I live directly across from the entrance of Lakeside Memorial Lawn. My backyard and kitchen window is in direct sight of the cemetery driveway. I believe, with a crematorium at Lakeview we will receive the most impact from the increased use of the facility.

Memorial Lawn has been a good neighbor. My husband and I enjoy the open space and the wildlife that frequents there. We respect it. The Preserves Neighborhood is very small, unique and quaint. We have a park for children and a beautiful lake with eagles and diverse wildlife, hiking and bike trails, and a short walk to downtown Historic Folsom. It’s all a gem.

However, it is a busy place. Veterans Hall, Muir House, Chinese Cemetery, Access to Lake Natomas, our park and playground brings with it alot of traffic. Not to mention the endless UPS, Fedex, Amazon and delivery trucks to the Vets Hall. We have only one way in and out of this neighborhood.

My husband and I purchased our home three years ago. During those years we encouraged our adult children with their families to move into the Preserves Neighborhood. Our lives with our kids and grandkids is a dream come true. With the proposal of the Crematorium at the cemetery it has become a game changer to the quality of life we have become accustomed to. Members of my family suffer from severe asthma and allergies. I am very concerned for their well being.

I watched the Zoom meeting presented by HFRA on June 20. Igor Semenyuk and Peter Hartwick explained that we won’t know when a cremation is taking
Mr. Semenyuk stated all we might see is an “initial puff of white smoke” and heat waves. Mr. Hartwick stated there won’t be any smoke or smell. I am concerned that there is still going to be particulate matter in the air.

In the meeting Mr. Semenyuk guesstimated a possibility of 2 to 3 bodies a day. What would the number of cremations be in the future with our current population growth. More cremations, more service trucks, more emissions from more smoke stacks?

I realize Miller Funeral Home is a business. It makes good business sense to them to put a crematorium there. But a crematorium does not belong in a residential neighborhood. I am sure they can find a great location in a commercial-industrial area where they can operate day and night.

Should this crematorium get installed I will be looking at the American flag that flies in the cemetery to see which way the wind is blowing. This will dictate what type of day to expect. Will we be inside or outside? I suspect our quality of life will be diminished during operating hours because we will be trapped in our homes for health reasons.

I believe our property values will be affected by having a crematorium so close. According to an article from “Applied Economics Magazine” by Mark Agee, dated June 19, 2008, “Data Spans 27 months of house sales: 7 months before and 20 months after the startup of crematory operations. Results indicate that proximity, measured in terms of direction and distance from the crematory, imparts a statistically significant negative impact on average house sale prices - an increase of 0.3% to 3.6% of average sale price for every tenth mile increase up to a half mile in distance from the crematory.”

California disclosure law requires us to disclose. Not many people desire to live near one. Do you?

We love our small unique neighborhood. The Preserves Neighborhood is where we are planning to spend the rest of our lives. All our family is here. Our quality of life will be affected if the crematorium goes forward. Honestly, would you want this in your backyard?

Thank You
Kim Higgins
To whom it concerns,

Folsom “Distinctive by Nature”. While we move deeper into the twenty first century we have become more aware of the choices we must make to protect the future. Small choices might not make immediate impacts but we understand that the small choices we make today add up to the large impacts we seek.

I am writing regarding the proposed crematorium planned at lakeside memorial lawn cemetery. Many people will have written to you about the theoretical risk associated with the carcinogens living near one. While my concern is about protecting the future and we have a small chance to make a meaningful change today. At the same time eliminating all risk associated with a crematorium.

Reverend Desmond Tutu provided direction on this matter. Upon his recent death he chose to use aquamation to promote green burial. Reducing greenhouse gases by 90% associated with normal cremation. Some estimates state that each time aquamation is used it is the equivalent of taking a car off the road for 1000 miles in co2 creation. As cremation becomes closer to being the standard choice in California these numbers start to add up.

Some might be concerned about water use. Per one manufacture website each use requires about 100 gallons of water. We are in the process of adding 10,000 homes which per your own literature uses on average of 600 gallons of water a day. So this extra amount used would be the equivalent of one home if used to full capacity.

I actually would prefer that the city of Folsom would choose to not allow any crematorium projects moving forward and encourage the use of this proven technology. In fact we already have an aquamation facility in Folsom. Sacramento Pet Aquamation is located on Bidwell provides this service for residents cherished pets.

Now is the time to make this choice. It is much harder to change directions on this path once you allow the crematorium to be put in operation. The decision to preferably not allow a crematorium in the city of Folsom and encourage the use of green burial technology is not something to make a decision on in two decades. It is today.

Thank you,
Kyal Von Gunten
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Thank you,
Kyal Von Gunten
Fong St
August 4, 2021
TO: City Council Members
   Historic District Commission
   Planning Department – Scott Johnson

My name is Kyal VonGunten. I live next to Lakeside Memorial Lawn on Fong St.
Lakeside Memorial Lawn proposed crematorium is 460 feet from the closest residence. The majority of the homes are on Young Wo Circle.
I have read the assessment report from Helix Environmental Planning, appendix “B” and I have anxiety about what will occur in my neighborhood.
In the “Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Emissions Assessment”, appendix “B” written by Helix Environmental Planning, page 5, under “Sensitive Receptors”, they state the closest residences are 450 feet. They are correct, there are nine homes on Young Wo Circle that fall within the distance of 450 feet. From there it fans out to all of the Preserves Neighborhood.
“Sensitive Receptors” Corporate speak for people, people with homes, families and lives.

According to an article by Julliette O’keeffe, dated march 24, 2020, “Crematoria Emissions and Air Quality Impacts”. page 4, item 3

What is standard practice for siting of crematorium in proximity to residential areas?
Table 1 identifies the many factors affecting emissions from crematoria. Ground level concentrations can also be affected by local prevailing wind direction and topography. In North America, there are no standard requirements for crematoria setback distances and no minimum separation distances are set at a federal level in either the US or Canada. Crematoria are regulated at the provincial/territorial level and regional or municipal authorities determine whether minimum setbacks are required based on relevant planning and environmental considerations.
The literature search for public agency resources and the grey literature identified many different practices, with some selected examples from around the world listed in Table 3.

**Table 3.** Selected example setback distances for crematoria from around the world

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Back to the Helix Report. On page 2 of the document, under Air Quality, it explains the “Environmental Setting” of Folsom. This is important data.

**AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS - Environmental Setting**

The City of Folsom lies within the Sacramento Valley Air Basin (SVAB), near the southeastern edge. The SVAB consists of all or parts of eleven counties spanning from Solano and Sacramento counties to the south, and Shasta County to the north.

The Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District (SMAQMD) is responsible for implementing emissions standards and other requirements of federal and state laws for Sacramento County, including the project area. The climate of the SVAB is characterized by hot dry summers and mild rainy winters. During the year the temperature may range from 20 to 115 degrees Fahrenheit with summer highs usually in the 90s and winter lows occasionally below freezing. Average annual rainfall is about 20 inches with snowfall being very rare. The prevailing winds are moderate in strength and vary from moist breezes from the south to dry land flows from the north. The mountains surrounding the Sacramento Valley create a barrier to airflow, which can trap air pollutants in the valley when certain meteorological conditions are right and a temperature inversion (areas of warm air overlying areas of cooler air) exists.

Air stagnation in the autumn and early winter occurs when large high-pressure cells lie over the valley. The lack of surface wind during these periods and the reduced vertical flow caused by less surface heating reduces the influx of outside air and allows pollutants to become concentrated in the air. The surface concentrations of pollutants are highest when these conditions are combined with
increased levels of smoke or when temperature inversions trap cool air, fog and pollutants near the ground. The ozone season (May through October) in the SVAB is characterized by stagnant morning air or light winds with the breeze arriving in the afternoon out of the southwest from the San Francisco Bay. Usually the evening breeze transports the airborne pollutants to the north out of the SVAB. During about half of the days from July to September, however, a phenomenon called the “Schultz Eddy” prevents this from occurring. Instead of allowing for the prevailing wind patterns to move north carrying the pollutants out of the valley, the Schultz Eddy causes the wind pattern and pollutants to circle back southward. This phenomenon’s effect exacerbates the pollution levels in the area and increases the likelihood of violating the federal and state air quality standards (SMAQMD 2020a)

This data is important to note as pollutants, particulate matter, ozone and smoke would most likely lay within the neighborhood because of the elevation decrease to Lake Natomas.

Regulatory Setting - Criteria Pollutants
As permitted by the Clean Air Act, California has adopted the more stringent California ambient air quality standards (CAAQS) and expanded the number of regulated air constituents. Ground-level ozone is not emitted directly into the environment but is generated from complex chemical and photochemical reactions between precursor pollutants, primarily reactive organic gases (ROGs; also known as volatile organic compounds [VOCs]), 1 and oxides of nitrogen (NOX). PM10 and PM2.5 are generated from a variety of sources, including road dust, diesel exhaust, fuel combustion, tire and brake wear, construction operations and windblown dust. In addition, PM10 and PM2.5 can also be formed through chemical and photochemical reactions of precursor pollutants in the atmosphere.

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is required to designate areas of the state as attainment, nonattainment, or unclassified for the ambient air quality standards. An “attainment” designation for an area signifies that pollutant concentrations do not violate the standard for that pollutant in that area. A “nonattainment” designation indicates that a pollutant concentration violated the standard at least once.

This data is valuable because it is an evaluation of today, before the crematorium is operational. This ozone and particulate matter pollution most likely comes from the busy traffic on Folsom Blvd. With a crematorium initially proposing 2 bodies or 400lbs of matter a day, 100,000 lbs a year, one can only imagine the additional contaminants flowing into The Preserves Neighborhood. In my opinion, once established, Caring Service Group is only going to increase the number of cremations in the future.

Please consider the residents of the Preserves Neighborhood's quality of life.

Thank you,

Kyal VonGunten
Re: Public Notice PN 19 182 Requests for Investigations filed in re HDC "design review group" CUP final Approval

It has never been my practice to offer Expertise in Land Use Issues, to those who are intent upon Violations of such Laws. However, please accept Notice herein. Formal Requests for Investigation have been filed with appropriate Agencies. Lists of detailed "discrepancies" and "departures" from normal Legal Due Process, were included, as well as False Filings.

Notice of Public Hearing appears in January 6, 2022 Folsom Telegraph as Historic District Commission Legal Notice, PN 19 182. Parcel 070 0260 001 0000
Owner Lakeside Memorial Law Entity #
C0307506 08/15/1955

Site Zoning is "OPEN SPACE/OS Conservation", underlying Zone District OPEN SPACE.

Your PN 2019 182 contains strange reference to California State Laws which you purport have direct Relevance to PN 19-182. With respect to same, you would do well to consult with and obtain Written Opinion of Legal Counsel with respect to state laws cited. If you do not so so, you may place yourselves in untenable positions, or may have already done so. Have our paid city lawyers done complete due diligence, which you apparently rely upon?
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE IMPACT FINDING

CITY OF FOLSOM HISTORIC DISTRICT

DATE OF HEARING: February 16, 2022
TIME OF HEARING: 5:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: City Council Chambers, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, California

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: A public hearing will be held by the Historic District Commission of the City of Folsom to consider the merits of the following:

PROJECT NAME: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium
Property Owner/Applicant: Lakeside Memorial Lawn/Igor Semenyuk
Project Location/APN: 1201 Forrest Street / 070-0260-001-0000
Planning No.: PN-19-182
Staff Contact: Josh Kinkade, Associate Planner, 916-461-6290, jkinkade@folsom.ca.us
Entitlements: a. Conditional Use Permit

Project Description: The proposed project includes operation of a crematory, 1,071-square foot metal shed located at 1201 Forrest Street, within the Lakeside Lawn Cemetery. The site is zoned OS/P (Open Space/Public Primary Area) with an OSC (Open Space and Conservation) and has a General Plan designation of Single-Family Residential. The Historic District Commission will take final action on this request unless the matter is continued at the City Council.
Address is 2020 Mormon St.; Falsified in PN 19 182, and on large number of Perjury-sworn Building Permit Applications.

All LNS 18' wide lanes are subject to Folsom PUD Law enacted for creation of s.f. houses only, not 2,400F furnaces.

Environmental Review: An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration is being prepared in accordance with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act. The public review period begins January 7, 2022 and ends February 7, 2022. Copies of the draft Environmental Review are available for review at the City of Folsom Planning Department, 9200 Old SR 50, Folsom CA 95630, Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The report can also be downloaded from the City of Folsom website at https://www.folsom.ca.us/go/development/planning-services/current-project-information

All persons interested in these matters are invited to present and submit statements or comments at the Public Hearing. The environmental documents are available for review at, and further information can be obtained from the Community Development Department, 50 Natoma Street, during regular business hours. The City of Folsom Development Department can be reached by phone at (916) 461-6202. A staff report will be available at the City Hall or at www.folsom.ca.us on the Thursday preceding the Public Hearing.

Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Public Resources Code Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code Section 21177, if you wish to challenge decisions (regarding planning, zoning and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to appeal to the City Council. Any appeal to the City Council for the District Commission may be brought by any interested party within ten (10) days of the registered Public Hearing.

PAM JOHNS
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

Published in the January 7, 2022 Sacramento Bee
To:  Folsom city clerk office  
To:  Comm. Development asso planner Kinkade, manager Johns  
Cc:  interested parties  
From:  Laurette Laurent  
Re:  PUBLIC COMMENT which includes PRA for MISSING mandatory documents not Filed with Clerk, nor with SCH, nor OPR.

Please accept the below Itemized Lists as Public Comment on the potential Failure of city and applicant to obey all Laws governing such dangers uses as 2,400F furnaces, 500 gallon explosive LPG gas storage -- on 12 acres of land with only a three inch diameter water supply pipe.  Where is the Fire Marshall True Report with signature & seals?

Please be aware your Noticing email was received minutes ago, however it merely proves city staff are NON-Compliant with the Legal Noticing Requirements.  Guess you don't listen to Licensed Civil Engineers nor to Licensed city lawyers.  tsk tsk...

----- Forwarded Message -----  
From: LJ Laurent  
To: Asst. Clerk <lkonopka@folsom.ca.us>; City Engineer Steve Krahn <skrahn@folsom.ca.us>  
Cc: "blm_ca_web_re@blm.gov" <blm_ca_web_re@blm.gov>; ernest.conant@usbr.gov <ernest.conant@usbr.gov>; Drew Lessard <dlessard@usbr.gov>; "daoffice@sacda.org" <daoffice@sacda.org>; Ken Cusano <kcusano@folsom.ca.us>; Rick Hillman Chief FPD <rhillman@folsom.ca.us>; Fire Marshal Ono <lono@folsom.ca.us>; Sarah Aquino <saquino@folsom.ca.us>; Mike Kozlowski <mkozlowski@folsom.ca.us>; Rosario Rodriguez <rodriquez@folsom.ca.us>; Kerri Howell <khowell@folsom.ca.us>; Steven Wang <swang@folsom.ca.us>; The HFRA <thehfra@gmail.com>; Sarariverwatch Info <info@sarariverwatch.org>  
Sent: Friday, January 7, 2022, 08:34:43 AM PST  
Subject: Re: PRA REQUEST City Eng. APROVED RECORDS, Furnace necessity PN 19 182 crematory CUP NegDec Filed for "enactment"

Urgent PRA REQUEST January 7, 2022, for Folsom City Engineer Documentation, Permits, Sealed/Signed Reports, Building Permits, and all public records pertaining to three year old "application" for furnaces on OPEN SPACE Zone District surrounded by Public Open Space and s.f. homes.

To:  Folsom City Engineer  
Asst City Clerk Konopka
cc: interested parties OPEN SPACE Parcel protectors Adjacent to proposed 500 gallons LPG, on site with 3" water supply pipe.
cc: silent city staff; council
From: Laurette Laurent
January 7, 2022

PRA REQUEST: Documents Requested: City Engineer Sealed/Signed Approved drawings for furnaces abutting federal forests/river, including Perjury Sworn Applicant Statement, City Engineer APPROVED Report of Findings of Necessity, Hardship, Unique 'circumstances', WATER SUPPLY lines, required for such furnaces 2,400 F, Fire Marshall portion of City Engineer's Report;
All Building Permit applications [perjury sworn accurate & Complete] granted to this Parcel with Legal Address 2020 Mormon St. since 1858 Judah Map of Folsom Streets; All Memos, notes, minutes of meetings, and communications, between "Community Development director, Asso. Planner and others with City Engineer on this "Public Project" as advertised.
Also requested are City Engineer and community development director/manager Duties and Ordinances establishing said CE and manager's duties.

As always, State Law allows ten days for production of these Ordinary Public Records for this "Public Project." Since this Public Project has been a Matter of Record since 2019, three whole years, surely all Required Public Records and City Engineer Approved Reports, with recommendations should be available January 18, 2022.

Second Request, Pursuant to Law Mailed Public Notices to Abutting Parcels are mandatory. Please supply Verified & CE Certified Proof of said Mailings to all Public Agencies and s.f. home residents abutting Parcel 070 0260 001 0000, which city identifies with False Address as being located with Ordinance-Created Lake Natoma Shores Planned Unit Development Subdivision.

Repeated, ignored Prior PRA Requests: not once in over ten years has Folsom City Engineer of Record produced even one single PRA RESPONSE for Public Projects -- which include his Seal & Signature proving he did his job of Certifying all Engineer Details of Folsom Public Projects such as this one -- which is the ultimate in License dereliction due to the obvious Hazards he is allowing, abetting, or silently watch being processed as he remains mute, inactive, etc., on his Public Project Duties.

Again, city staff have had three long years of prolonging this "application" and "approved" building Permits which are based upon Perjured information, so all Public Project PN 19 182 Records and Permits should be at-hand for immediate PRA RESPONSEs.

CE Records and PROOF of Open Fire Department Access for all Federal Agencies Parcels surrounding this Public Project, and Historic Site under BLM protection, and State 13 acre parcel are requested.

Certification of Safety by City Engineer with respect to Blast Radius of 500 gallons of LPG highly flammable propane gas abutting federal & state Open Space lands & forests is
also part of this PRA Request for following reasons: danger of LPG and NO Water Lines at all and no Access roads for Water Trucks:

**Propane Tank Explosion**

FYI to City Engineer: all loose objects, metal, rocks, will become projectiles capable of flying further than 1,500 feet.

PRA Request for your APPROVAL of this LPG storage with your Certified Safety Analysis is REQUESTED as mandatory portion of Application. How could residents be paying a CE who ignores our very lives and sole Water Supply and Federal Assets?

Kindly Expedite this Portion of PRA Request with immediate PRA RESPONSE as it is your License Obligation.

PRA Request concern: since mayor also holds a state License for an Engineering Field long discontinued in this state, this ought to concern entire city council. How can residents fail to regard her inactions all three years as anything but Negligence or willful disregard of License Duties?
To: Folsom community development director; Asso. planner
cc: Asst City Clerk for file; City Engineer for "public project files"
From: Laurette Laurent
January 6, 2022

Re: Public Notice PN 19 182 Requests for Investigations filed
in re HDC "design review group" CUP final Approval

It has never been my practice to offer Expertise in Land Use Issues, to those who are intent upon Violations of such Laws. However, please accept Notice herein. Formal Requests for Investigation have been filed with appropriate Agencies. Lists of detailed "discrepancies" and "departures" from normal Legal Due Process, were included, as well as False Filings.

Notice of Public Hearing appears in January 6, 2022 Folsom Telegraph as Historic District Commission Legal Notice, PN 19 182. Parcel 070 0260 001 0000
Owner Lakeside Memorial Law Entity #

C0307506  08/15/1955

Site Zoning is "OPEN SPACE/OS Conservation", underlying Zone District OPEN SPACE.

Your PN 2019 182 contains strange reference to California State Laws which you purport have direct Relevance to PN 19-182. With respect to same, you would do well to consult with and obtain Written Opinion of Legal Counsel with respect to state laws cited. If you do not so so, you may place yourselves in untenable positions, or may have already done so. Have our paid city lawyers done complete due diligence, which you apparently rely upon?
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND NOTICE TO ADOPT A MITIGATED NEGATIVE IMPACT REPORT

CITY OF FOLSOM HISTORIC DISTRICT

DATE OF HEARING: February 16, 2022
TIME OF HEARING: 5:00 P.M.
PLACE OF HEARING: City Council Chambers, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT: A public hearing will be held by the Historic District Commission of the City of Folsom to consider the merits of the following:

PROJECT NAME: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium
Property Owner/Applicant: Lakeside Memorial Lawn/Igor Semenyuk
Project Location/APN: 1201 Forrest Street / 070-0260-001-0000
Planning No.: PN-19-182
Staff Contact: Josh Kinkade, Associate Planner, 916-461-6240
jkinkade@folsom.ca.us
Entitlements:
a. Conditional Use Permit

Project Description: The proposed project includes operation of a crematory and a 1,071-square foot metal shed located at 1201 Forrest Street, within the Lakeside Memorial Cemetery. The site is zoned OS/P (Open Space/Public Primary Area) with a designated OSC (Open Space and Conservation) and has a General Plan designation of HS-3 (Historic District). The Historic District Commission will take final action on this request unless the hearing is adjourned prior to conclusion.
Address is 2020 Mormon St.; Falsified in PN 19 182, and on large number of Perjury-sworn Building Permit Applications.

All LNS 18' wide lanes are subject to Folsom PUD Law enacted for creation of s.f. houses only, not 2,400F furnaces.

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To: Brian Dewey, CA State Parks  
cc: Ernest Conant, USBR Mid Pac. Dir.; Wade Crowfoot;  
Drew Lessard, Folsom USBR CE; Ami Bera, Matt  
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Sent: Friday, December 18, 2020 9:49 AM
To: Josh Kinkade; Steve Krahn; Aimee Nunez; Pete Piccardo; Daniel Wolfe; Bryan Holm; Scott Zangrando; Scott Johnson; Steven Banks; Desmond Parrington; Stephanie Henry; Allison Konwinski; Kristina Eicher; Lauren Ono; Mark Rackovan; Pam Johns; Elaine Andersen; Jason Browning; Dave Nugen; Ryan Neves; Don Brown; Todd Eising; Marcus Yasutake; Vaughn Fleischbein; Greg Bakken; Steven Wang;
Cc: [REDACTED]; Paul Keast; HPLBoard; "pgeplanreview@pge.com";
"entitlements@smud.org"; "projectreview@airquality.org"; "HunleyC@Saccounty.net";
"cemeterycomination@saccounty.net"; "emailcfb@dca.ca.gov";

Cc: ernest.conant@usbr.gov; Drew Lessard; Mike Kozlowski; Sarah Aquino; Christa Freemantle; Rick Hillman; Ken Cusano; Sue Frost; Hedges. Matt; paul.lau@SMUD.org; Stephen Green; Mary Beth Metcalf; lisa.mangat@parks.ca.gov; brandon.dawson@sierraclub.org; Eileen Sobeck; Patrick Pulupa

Subject: Cemetery: FED FOREST, homes IMPACTS of wrongs

--- Original Message ---
From: Josh Kinkade <jkinkade@folsom.ca.us>

To: city of Folsom officials, employees, Mayor, Vice Mayor
City Clerk for CIRCULATION to all City Council elected officials
Sacramento County; et al.

From: Laurette Laurent
December 18, 2020

Re: Application for Illegal Zoning District Usages, illegal granting of Variance from HDC Commission with NO State Authority to grant such benefits, violation of CA Govt Code Title Zoning; violation of Folsom Zoning Code District restricting NO buildings on any "open space" category -- consistent with VIOLATED State Govt Code; Failure to abide by Sunshine Laws; Failure to conduct Full IS, EIR/EIS; failure to provide PROOF of Publications for all such steps; Failure to OBTAIN State Fire Marshal Approvals due to ABUTMENT to Federal Watershed and Federal Forests; Failure to Notify CA State Parks; Failure to Notify Sacramento County Assessor office of "Proposed changes" [likewise to Cemetery Commission]; Failure to provide NOTICE to an ABUTTING RESIDENT who filed Complaints about SECRECY in this Land Usage improper SECRET Process - by FAILING to NOTIFY ME -- despite my historic and RECENT objects & Comments with regard to this SECOND time around crematory Proposal -- and my WRITTEN NOTICE to Folsom City Clerk and Planning to be given ALL HDC & Plan Commission Notices. Other violations exist, but are previously filed and resulted in PENALTIES against Applicant.

---------- Original Message -------
From: Josh Kinkade <jkinkade@folsom.ca.us>
Comment: THIS IS NOT Permit Modification: because there is NO MENTION of ORIGINAL Permit. There is NO EVIDENCE a VARIANCE is due to Miller nor Lakeside because there is NO PROOF of “EASEMENT”, Nor abandonment of Figueroa St. in the Parcel boundary legal description

as of September 10, 2020, city clerk, city lawyer, HAVE FAILED TO PROVIDE a Prior legal documents Exist and were approved by city attorney Steve Rudolph. No one proved said cited documents were created, reviewed by Professional lawyer, engineer – FOR LEGALITY [such as unproved Easement Leland Miller granted to 1850s Chinese cemeteries.] Existence of EASEMENT GRANTED by Miller, to Chinese

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PC 91-042 Findings for 1991 Permit Modification

NOTE: NO TIME LIMIT on CUP, Variance or MODIFICATIONs – Rudolph WARNED them as city attorney to put a TIME LIMIT on CUP, and Mods.

APPROVAL OF NEG DEC; VARIANCE from 50' Setback
Planner Matt Franck

Miln Construction stated it would take 50 years to fill 2000 spaces in buildings of 12,682 sq ft.

NO MORE Discussion
Maxfield moved to approve
NEG DEC
APPROVE VARIANCE FROM 50 foot required Open Space Setback
APPROVE CLANEY USE PERMIT

with CONDITIONS:
APPROVE FINDINGS including C. Is consistent with General Plan and Zoning CODE

D. Not harm health. Masoleums are SIMILAR TO and COMPATIBLE ADJOINING USES.

E. Unique circumstances in this area – i.e. rock piles surrounding it everywhere. “size and shape of parcel make it difficult to build in the OPEN SPACE Area” ISN’T THAT THE POINT????

F. VARIANCE is ESSENTIAL to PROPERTY RIGHTS. Plus, an ALLEGED TRIANGULAR shape of “parcel” “BUILDABLE AREA would be limited by shape.” BECAUSE they think Commercial buildings belong in OPEN SPACE/ Conservation Zone???

G. Grant of Variance will NOT affect area Residents or workers and is “is of SIMILAR CHARACTER TO USES.”

CONDITIONS

SECTION ONE  enforced by Community Development Dept CDD
CDD will do GRADIN REPORT and ARCHAEOLOGICAL studies.

ESPECIALLY OFFENSIVE: CDD will Regulate and ensure “CHINESE COMMUNITY” & George Chan is NOT denied ACCESS to Chinese Cemeteries.

CDD will ensure Lighting, Landscaping and adherence to Fish & Game Regs.
CDD HAD NO ENGINEER.

PUBLIC WORKS ENFORCEMENT AREAS:

NO MENTION OF CITY ENGINEER, nor that “PW” lacked an Engineer in charge: Director then WAS JOE LUCHI, a typist. – Bob was sidelined.

CONDITION 8 “Improvements shall be installed to the satisfaction of public works dept. PW” Luchi was sidelined City Engineer's typist, really.

Condition 9 “EROSION CONTROL..... shall be directed by PW Director – Luchi – what a laugh.

Cond. 10 Construction shall have 5 – NOT 50 Foot setback --“thereby
NOT CROSSING INTO Chinese cemetery ITSELF.

11 Proposed ROAD to Lakeside masoleums would BE NEAR TO ENTRANCE to Chinese cemetery thereby allowing ENTRANCE to Chinese cemetery GROUNDS>

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OUT OF ORDER  CEMETERY 5b  FINDINGS comes after below
CEMETERY 6 Findings CUP 1995 similar to neighborhood
CEMETERY 6c only “PW dept OK needed for this CUP, and NO BLOCKING Chun Wah  NOT OBSTRUCT OR BLOCK the HISTORICAL EASEMENT granted by LELAND MILLER Owner before Claney.
This Rancho Rio Americano is so old it proves Chun Wah owners are part owners of Mormon St. George Chan was cheated.

June 15, 1995 TO: Planning Commission FROM: Loretta McMaster, Senior planner suBJEcrt: Lakeside cemetery conditionat Use permit status Agenda Item No. 6 PC Mtg. 6-21-95 PC91-O42 cemetery, National Reoister status

**The Chung Wah cemetery has been approved by the California State**
Historical Commission and is awaiting national action for listing. One of the major factors in a successful nomination is whether the site maintains the "sense of time and place." There is some concern that development of the Phase XI and XIII mausoleum buildings, and the equipment building, may cause this aspect to be destroyed. Conditions 4, 7, and 10 relate directly to this question. It will be difficult to design the structures and landscape the area to mask their existence completely, but careful choice of materials and design can minimize their noticeability.

Need to send to city engineer or whoever.....

Besides the items required by the conditions of approval, staff has identified the following actions which could reduce future conflicts: Archaeologist on-site when work is occurring. Recording of an access easement. A second survey of the boundary (or perhaps consultation between the recent surveyor and Mr. Chan regarding basis).

Removal of Phases XI and XIII, by Mr. Claney, from his plans. (He has indicated that it will be many years before they would be constructed.) Taking any of these actions would be a demonstration of good faith on the part of the Claneys and/or the Chans.

Although the responsibility would lie primarily with the property owners, the City may be able to assist in some of these actions. The interested parties have been invited to be present at this meeting. Staff can also provide an update at the Planning Commission meeting of July 5th if directed by the Planning Commission. PC91-O42.62 Page 2

Loretta McMasters

Agenda Item No. 6 PC Mtg. 6-21-95 PC91-O42 June 15, 1995 TO: Planning Commission FROM: Loretta McMaster, Senior planner subJEcr: Lakeside cemetery conditionat Use permit status BACKGROUND This report is presented to update the Commission on the status of the conditional use permit issued on October 2, 1991 for construction of mausoleums at the Lakeside Cemetery. A site plan, minutes and conditions of approval, and historical map are attached. Concerns regarding the project's effect on the National Register status of the adjacent Chung Wah cemetery were raised by June Chan at the May 17, 1995 Planning Commission meeting. As reported by Commissioner O'Brien at the Commission's June 7, 1995 meeting, a meeting of concerned citizens, Commissioner O'Brien and staff was held on June 2. Loren Claney of Lakeside Cemetery did not attend the meeting, but staff subsequently met with
Mr. Claney at the site. Issues identified relate to grading, archaeological investigation, access, boundary location, and National Register status. The road and parking area have recently been constructed, according to approved improvement plans.

NOTE: All Claney references of Hardship claims, compliance etc. are spurious.

EVEN THEIR PARKING is on Public ROW MORMON St.

Lots of cheating occurs when a mayor has fired the City Engineer/Public Works Director Bob Blaser CE.

This proves the Federal owners and Sacramento County Assessor were never notified of all this COMMERCIAL Development and the State and federal Status protection of Chun Wah cemetery itself.

There's a major problem with this HDC thinking they have a legal force – and they don't even realize the Plan Commission made serious errors because the acting PW Director was Bob Blaser's typist Joe Luchi.

CEMETERY 7

Conditional Use Permit Modification
If the Commission feels that completion of a mausoleum is the appropriate use of this property, it would be appropriate to schedule a hearing to modify the conditional use permit to address the issues that have arisen. The applicant has requested a modification of the conditional use permit and has offered to re-design the project as necessary. Until so directed by the Commission, staff has not prepared a complete listing of additional conditions which might be adopted, but the following has been prepared to serve for preliminary consideration: No construction near Chung Wah boundary.

Application for Mormon Street abandonment, with recorded access easement to Chung Wah. Use of gray stone construction; additional screen planting, including oaks.

West-Yost review of surveys, at applicants cost but contracted with City. Fence boundaries.
Additional drainage and erosion control.
Planning Commission minutes of May 17,
1ggs Planning Commission minutes of June 7,
1gg5 Planning Commission minutes of June 21,
1g9S (draft) Planning Commission minutes of July 19,
1gs staff report for the June 21, 1995 Planning commission meeting
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Site exhibit
Excerpt from the Folsom Municipal Code cultural Resources Investigation of Lakeside Memorial cemetery Mausoiium Complex

**Project Staff Recommendation** Direct staff to notice both a revocation hearing and a conditional use permit modification, in order to preserve both options for Commission action.

**PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION**
MOVE TO DIRECT STAFF TO SCHEDULE A REVOCATION HEARING AND A HEARING ON A MODIFICATION OF THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 1995, PROVIDED THAT THE REQUIRED FEE AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND DRAWINGS NECESSARY FOR A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT MODIFICATION ARE RECEIVED FROM THE APPLICANT NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, AUGUST 24,
AND FAILING THAT, TO SCHEDULE ONLY THE REVOCATION HEARING ON SEPTEMBER 20, 1995. PCg1-042.816 Page 3

August 10, 1995

New document from PRA Response 8
Oct. 18 1995 CONTINUANCE of item PC meeting

PRA RESPONSE 9 is May 1995 PC meeting minutes DUPLICATE

RESPONSE doc 10 has great deal of controversy including Howell objecting. Requests for STOP WORK order; NOTE The Preserve Subdivision was grading now. CONTINUANCE to consider STOP WORK order. Howell: were bodies found? I saw on TV BODIES WERE FOUND outside the white peoples' burial e.g. Jim the Cook.
QUOTE: from Minutes July 1995, continued meeting.

This issue made big news!
Sue Silver handed out a letter and maps to the Commission at the meeting and recommended the commission review them carefully and stated her source of information was cited in the Folsom Telegraph. concerned about the accuracy of the 1991 survey done but hasn’t review it' She pulled the original deed from the Folsom Development Company to the chung wah company and it matches the plat exactly of china Mission which was recorded in December 1906' Concerned about of the Assessors Parcel Map, page 7O-13 has a discrepancy in the footage measurement along the southeasterly line of the chinese cemetery which disparages approximately 178 feet from the original survey.

chairman Lehman suggested the commission revoke the Use permit. commissioner Howell suggested that a stop-work order be issued. End quotes.

DOCUMENT 10 PRA RESPONSE 9 3 2020
PLANNING COMMISSION MINUTES NOVEMBER 1 , 1995
Huge controversy and requests again for Stop Work Order and Revocation of CUP.
Adjourned due to late hour, no action.

DOCUMENT 11 PC Minutes December 1995
Very LENGTHY many pages, finally

Vice-Chairman Maxfield MovEd To coNTINUe THE rrEM To JANUARv 3 BUT LtMtlNG tr ro oNLY CONSIDERING ALTERNATIVE 2 AND THE CHANGED CONDITIONS AFTER STAFF HAS HAD TIME TO LOOK THEM OVER THAT WERE SUBMITTED BY MR. PHILLIPS TONIGHT. HE ADDED THAT HE'D LIKE TO HAVE THE ITEM HEARD AFTER 9:OOPM BECAUSE HE WOULDN'T BE ABLE TO ATTEND UNTIL THAT TIME. COMMISSIONER MESSNER SECONDED THE MOTION Commissioner O'Brien preferred to have the absent Commissioners present before any motion is made and would prefer having it continued. Steve Rudolph suggested that if the first goal is to resolve the issue regarding revocation, that before continuing, the first motion should be to move that there are no grounds for revocation as the Commission desires. Vice-Chairman Maxfield withdrew his motion. The second agreed. VICE-CHAIRMAN MAXFIELD MOVED THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAD THE HEARING FOR A REVOCATION OF A PERMIT AND THEY FOUND NO GROUNDS FOR REVOCATION OF A PERMIT, UNLESS SOMETHING ELSE HAPPENS AND THE ISSUE IS RAISED AGAIN. COMMISSIONER MILLER SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING VOTE AYES: COMMISSIONERS HOWELL, MESSNER, MILLER, MAXFIELD NOES: COMMISSIONER O’BRIEN ABSTAIN: NONE ABSENT: CHAIRMAN LEHMAN, COMMISSIONER DREW MOTION THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOUND NO GROUNDS FOR A REVOCATION OF THE PERMIT CARRTED 4-1-2. Commissioner O'Brien stated her opposition was because the other two members of the Planning Commission were not present. Steve Rudolph stated it appears the Commission is interested in modifying the conditions
which exist on the permit and recommended the next motion be that the Commission has found there
are grounds to warrant the modification of the existing use permit. PC Mtg. 12-6-95 Page 10
COMMISSIONER MILLER MOVED THAT THE PLANNING COMMISSION HAS FOUND
THERE ARE GROUNDS TO WARRANT THE MODIFICATION OF THE EXISTING USE
PERMIT. VICE.CHAIRMAN MAXFIELD SECONDED THE MOTION AND THE MOTION
CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING VOTE: AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN ABSENT:
COMMISSIONERS HOWELL, O'BRIEN, MESSNER, MAXFIELD, MILLER NONE NONE
CHAIRMAN LEHMAN, COMMISSIONER DREW MOTION CARRIED: 5-O-2 VICE-CHAIRMAN
MAXFIELD MOVED TO CONTINUE TO THE JANUARY 3, 1996 MEETING FOR THE
PREPARATION OF REVISED CONDITIONS. COMMISSIONER MESSNER SECONDED THE
MOTION Commissioner Howell Alternative No. 2 only. questioned whether the motion was restricting
the discussion to Vice-Chairman Maxfield stated it was Commissioner Howell stated she would prefer
to leave it only to removal of the revocation issue. Vice-Chairman Maxfield felt he'd prefer to have a
staff report without alternatives. Commissioner Miller stated he agreed with Vice-Chairman Maxfield
that it's been fine-tuned enough between them with one set of conditions and if a concern is raised with
something specific, the Planning Commission can adjust it in January. VICE.CHAIRMAN
MAXFIELD MOVED TO CONTINUE TO JANUARY 3 AND ALTERNATIVE 2 WITH
CONDITIONS SUBMITTED BY MR. PHILLIPS WITH STAFF FINE-TUNING THE CONDITIONS
AND GIVE A REPORT BACK TO THE COMMISSION AND TO HAVE THE PROPONENT AND
OPPONENTS TIME TO LOOK AT THE CONDITIONS WITH TIME TO COMMENT ON THEM.
Steve Rudolph stated the public hearing is closed but nothing is preventing the Commission from
reopening the public hearing at the next meeting. The Commission doesn't have a legal obligation to
open the public hearing if that was their desire. COMMISSIONER MESSNER SECONDED THE
MOTION AGAIN Commissioner Howell stated her concerns for limiting the motion to Alternative 2
only. In the summary of the staff report, the wording states build out of the existing planned facilities in
Alternative 1 and Alternative 2 has, what she considers to be, some unusual language referring PC Mtg.
12-6-95 Page 11 to "an environmentally sensitive area". She feels Alternative 1 and 2 can overlay
dramatically depending upon the definition of that environmentally sensitive area which she
understands both the existing conditions and the new conditions received by Mr. Phillips is going to
provide definition of exactly where that environmentally sensitive area is. She didn't feel the motion
should be limited to one of the two alternatives just because of the environmentally sensitive issue. She
stated she'd like to eliminate the revocation and allow both Alternative 1 and 2 to exist because
Alternative 1 talks about going with what's been planned already and Alternative 2 refers to complete
build out of the site with the exception of the environmentally sensitive area. Until that area is defined,
one can't say that everything can be done because you don't know whether all the property can be built
on yet. VICE.CHAIRMAN MAXFIELD AMENDED HIS MOTION TO INCLUDE STAFF TO
LOOK INTO THE ISSUE RAISED BY COMMISSIONER HOWELL ON THE
ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AND ARCHAEOLOGICALLY SENSITIVE AREAS AND
DEFINITIONS AND FACTOR THOSE IN. COMMISSIONER MESSNER AGREED WITH THE
AMENDMENT Commissioner O'Brien felt the motion was too vague. VICE-CHAIRMAN
MAXFIELD CLARIFIED HIS MOTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS:
MOVE TO CONTINUE LAKESIDE MAUSOLEUM AMENDMENT OR REVOCATION OF
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO JANUARY 3, 1996 AND THE MATTER TO BE
CONSIDERED BE ALTERNATIVE 2 AND IT'S CONDITIONS RECEIVED BY MR. PHILLIPS
THIS EVENING AND STAFF FACTOR IN THE ISSUE RAISED REGARDING THE
ENVIRONMENTALLY AND ARCHAEOLOGICALLY SENSITIVE AREAS AND THEIR
DEFINITIONS AND FACTOR THOSE IN AND ADD CONDITIONS AS REQUIRED TO MAKE
SURE THOSE ISSUES ARE COVERED. COMMISSIONER MESSNER SECONDED THE
MOTION AND THE MOTION CARRIED WITH THE FOLLOWING VOTE AYES: NOES:
ABSTAIN ABSENT: COMMISSIONERS HOWELL, MILLER, MESSNER, MAXFIELD
COMMISSIONER O’BRIEN NONE CHAIRMAN LEHMAN, COMMISSIONER DREW

DOCUMENT 12

VERBATIM MINUTES FROM THE JULY 19, 1995 PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING
ON LAKESIDE CEMETERY CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT STATUS REPORT ON
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL AT LAKESIDE OF MAUSOLEUM.

PROJECT TITLE:
PROPOSAL:
RECOMMENDATION:
APPLICANT AND OWNER:
LOCATION:
ASSessor’S PARCEL NO.:
ATTACHED REFERENCE MATERIAL:

Lakeside Cemetery Crematorium
Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit
to allow for the operation of crematorium
Denial
Lorin Claney
1201 Forrest Street
070-0082-014, 070-0130-002, 070-0130-004
1. vicinity Map
2. Site Plan, dated 12/19/97
3. Project Description and Crematorium
   Illustrations
4. Documentation from the Sacramento
   County Historic Cemetery Commission
5. Lakeside Cemetery Research Paper
   written by Sue Silver
6. Letters from the Public
7. Site Photographs

PROJECT PLANNER:
Jane Talbot, Assistant Planner
To:  city of Folsom officials, employees, Mayor, Vice Mayor  
To:  City Clerk for CIRCULATION to all City Council elected officials  
bcc  
From:  Laurette Laurent  
December 18, 2020  

Re:  below circulated Public Record, filed with Sacramento County Cemetery Commission December 17, 2020.
Application for Illegal Zoning District Usages, illegal granting of Variance from HDC Commission with NO State Authority to grant such benefits, violation of CA Govt Code Title Zoning;
vViolation of Folsom Zoning Code District restricting NO buildings on any "open space" category -- consistent with VIOLATED State Govt Code;  
Failure to abide by Sunshine Laws;  Failure to conduct Full IS, EIR/EIS;  
failure to provide PROOF of Publications for all such steps;  
Failure to OBTAIN Fire Marshal Approvals due to ABUTMENT to Federal Watershed and Federal Forests;  
Failure to Notify CA State Parks;  
Failure to Notify Sacramento County Assessor office of "Proposed changes" [likewise to Cemetery Commission on prior 2020 application];  
Failure to provide NOTICE to an ABUTTING RESIDENT who filed Complaints SECRECY in this Land Usage improper SECRET Process - by FAILING to NOTIFY ME -- despite my historic and RECENT objects & Comments with regard to this SECOND time around crematory Proposal -- and my WRITTEN NOTICE to Folsom City Clerk and Planning to be given ALL HDC & Plan Commission Notices.  
Other violations exist, but are previously filed and resulted in Penalties.

Thank you to Folsom city officials and Staff [Including "city top officials" and "city engineers" with Licenses] for proving beyond a shadow of a doubt I -- AN ABUTTING Parcel Owner to 070 0260 001 -- WAS NOT given Notice of Proposed Applications and EXISTING DISCUSSIONS of this outrageous set of Violations.

State laws are extremely explicit with respect to Permissible lower agency Zoning Code and Land Usage Laws applications, TRANSPARENCY, and Process.  My Complaints were already filed.  My Request for NOTIFICATIONS of all Public Processes regarding Zoning Law were ignored.  What is shown below is a PUBLIC RECORD sent to Sacramento County Cemetery Commission BUT NOT to over 36 ABUTTING OWNERS, including TWO Federal Govt AGENCIES with jurisdiction.
Former City Attorney Steve Rudolph advised the Plan Commission to issue a STOP WORK ORDER for all construction of buildings on this cemetery. He further recommended POSTPONEMENT of Plan Commission vote of approval because

1. George Chan had NO opportunity to engage Counsel,
2. Private titled-parcels within the existing cemetery belonged according to Sacramento County Records, to Private persons or entities who were NAMED by County and Steve Rudolph. His legal advice was ignored. Plan Commissioners who changed to approval instead of Opposition ended up on City Council and in one other appointed position.
3. George Chan was RESTRICTED to access the Chun Wah cemetery by FOOT, and only ONE person could enter this large cemetery served at the end of Mormon Street.

All named licensed City Engineers were clearly PUT ON NOTICE yesterday, and yet DID NOTHING. Ditto the City Manager and City Lawyer whom I addressed repeatedly to DO THEIR JOBS.

If Folsom intends to CONTINUE SECRET operations with respect to all State Enabling Legislation, our Constitutional Rights and Sunshine law respect, please continue in this path and expect the consequences of all these extremely VALUABLE "gifts" to private parties. South of Hwy 50 is the same identical type of operation.

I have given and conveyed written Notice to all top staff and licensed engineers. NOT ONE of them has RESPONDED to Formal Complaints. Is this SECRECY or scores and scores of instances and formal complaints IGNORED -- even when complaints CITE the exact LAWS Violated? Mens Rea or negligence since a sitting mayor fired the final independent City Engineer and put Folsom City Charter "ONLINE ONLY", then ERASED City Engineer & CE DUTIES?

Folsom FMC Chapter 17 went online with the TOTAL OMISSION of the "cemetery" Zone designation. “Crematorium” was not an allowed use in city historically. FMC 17.52 is an OVERLAY District and HDC does NOT have LEGAL Right to grant any Land Usage Exceptions/Entitlements.

This was submitted in writing to top officials 2020 in formal Complaint Notices.

603 Sutter Street is identical set of SECRECY & Violations.

Why was this submitted to PGE, BUT NOT to Sacramento County Authorities with Oversight & Jurisdiction?

Please, I ask each Licensed Engineer, do you obey the Dictates of your Law Enforcing License -- with respect to Land usage, Subdivisions, Public Infrastructure, and all State Mandated Government Codes?
Please decide whether you wish to continue in this Folsom secrecy. This week alone I asked Mark Rackovan Sr. Eng. Traffic Eng. why he refused to Enforce the November 2020 new law regarding "encroachment on city property". ALL encroachments are defined in FMC, and yet NOTHING WAS DONE to clear a dangerous Substandard Folsom Right of Way of multiples violations. New Encroachment law requires a Permit and CONTRACT to be executed.

Please also BE AWARE, if you claim this is NOT YET in the Public Domain, My/Our Constitutional Rights have been VIOLATED in all PRIOR Lakeside Cemetery gifts from Folsom. No PROOF of Publication was provided for prior instances. No formal Letters were sent to Three Federal Agencies abutting, nor to SP Managing Partner to USBR, nor to 36 ABUTTING Single Family homeowners.

When Claney clan last sought a crematory, our Subdivision brought forth testimony from a Medical expert about the Sites acceptable for a crematory. As usual, abutting parcel owners only learned of crematorium Proposal/Application via Newspaper reporters coverage. Ex post facto, according to Law.

Final Question: this time in 2020, did you ever intend even one licensed city engineer would make an Approval and Plan with his License & seal/signature? Don't you feel Elected Officials should NOT be party to Folsom employees clear, repeated wrongdoing? Don't you feel “at risk” and responsible under your BPLSG Required Duties?

No, MORE/Comment:
Legally this Parcel is on MORMON ST. since the 1850 Theodore Judah Map creating Folsom Street Map. Calling it Forrest causes visitors to jam the Eighteen foot wide Substandard “street” which is DANGEROUS and improper because LNS Subdivision was created and Enacted VIA an Ordinance which DID NOT INCLUDE any Commercial Usages, NOR parking for same.

Applicant for a special use permit does not have to show hardship. Instead, the focus is on simply showing that the proposed use meets the conditions already contained in the ordinance, whereas a variance is, in essence, permission to “break the law.” Mar 22, 2013 Case Law citation/ Advisory overlay “committee” cannot grant it under California enabling law.
https://www.opr.ca.gov/docs/theconditionalusepermit_071997.pdf

Quote sent to Sacramento County, others: entered into “Public Domain” December 17, 2020

request for comments and associated drawings and pictures for the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn crematory located at 1201 Forrest St. A
Conditional Use Permit has been requested by the applicant to operate the crematory facility inside an existing metal shed. That entitlement will go in front of the Folsom Historic District Commission. Please send any comments or questions to me before January 15th if possible.

Named Recipients.
To: Steve Krahn <skrahn@folsom.ca.us>, Aimee Nunez <anunez@folsom.ca.us>, Pete Piccardo <ppiccardo@folsom.ca.us>, Daniel Wolfe <dwolfe@folsom.ca.us>, Bryan Holm <bholm@folsom.ca.us>, Scott Zangrando <szangrando@folsom.ca.us>, Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>, Steven Banks <sbanks@folsom.ca.us>, Desmond Parrington <dparrington@folsom.ca.us>, Stephanie Henry <shenry@folsom.ca.us>, Allison Konkowski <akonkowski@folsom.ca.us>, Kristina Eicher <keicher@folsom.ca.us>, Lauren Ono <lono@folsom.ca.us>, Mark Rackovan <mrackovan@folsom.ca.us>, Pam Johns <pjohns@folsom.ca.us>, Elaine Andersen <eandersen@folsom.ca.us>, Jason Browning <jbrowning@folsom.ca.us>, Dave Nugen <dnugen@folsom.ca.us>, Ryan Neves <rneves@folsom.ca.us>, Don Brown <dbrown@folsom.ca.us>, Todd Eising <teising@folsom.ca.us>, Marcus Yasutake <myasutake@folsom.ca.us>, Vaughn Fleischbein <vfleischbein@folsom.ca.us>, Greg Bakken <gbakken@folsom.ca.us>, Steven Wang <swang@folsom.ca.us>
Cc: "thehfra@gmail.com" <thehfra@gmail.com>, Paul Keast <hplboard@hplfolsom.org>, "pgeplanreview@pge.com" <pgeplanreview@pge.com>, "entitlements@smud.org" <entitlements@smud.org>, "projectreview@airquality.org" <projectreview@airquality.org>, "HunleyC@saccounty.net" <HunleyC@saccounty.net>, "cemeterycommission@saccounty.net" <cemeterycommission@saccounty.net>, "emailcfb@dca.ca.gov" <emailcfb@dca.ca.gov>, "kmtacc@hotmail.com" <kmtacc@hotmail.com>
Date: 12/17/2020 2:39 PM
Subject: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematory Conditional Use Permit

All,

Please find the attached request for comments and associated drawings and pictures for the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn crematory located at 1201 Forrest St. A Conditional Use Permit has been requested by the applicant to operate the crematory facility inside an existing metal shed. That entitlement will go in front of the Folsom Historic District Commission. Please send any comments or questions to me before January 15th if possible.
Note to Sacramento County authorities:

PLEASE ensure ABUTTING PARCELS are notified PRIOR to secret planning & discussions of putting a FURNACE into a rickety shed abutting Federal Forest & watershed & waters of American River. USBR and Managing Partner CA SP and Bureau of Land Management are the major landowners/protectors here.

Cremation of a dead body is carried out at a temperature ranging between 1400 to 1800 degrees Fahrenheit.

Let's show them some respect for Law, Health & Safety, and Common Sense. That old shed abuts Federal Forest which is suffering during drought. Its “emanations” contain MERCURY, and other toxics.

According to Federal Government Biological Research, there are Known Contaminants associated with burning bodies. Of course Folsom never involves Licensed Engineers; anything for a buck is OK in this place.

https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5721279/
Lydia,

Folsom always had appointed citizens equipped with their own email address.

Mr. Duewel is lawyer who asked city staff [non-licensed people] for an opinion about a matter of Law. Mr. Duewel stated he wanted to know more about my Objection letter citations. In response, junior planner stated Opinions about Matters of Land Use Law. Planner erred. I did not.

Please forward this to Kevin Duewel.

If City Attorney has any problems with an appointed person being in touch PRIOR to a decision on Exceptions to Land Use Process Law, he needs to review his License Obligations.

If our elected Council members directed city staff to remove the committee members' emails at @folsom.ca.us, this is a prime example of why they should NOT have limited correspondence between city Appointees and city residents during a shutdown for pandemic. One year later Mr. Duewel's request for explanations of my points of law, came to light in the on-going battle to keep us safe from fire.

We in LNS are dealing with the Third Application for crematory abutting OUR Parcels, and federal Watershed Forest. There are significant violations involved, including actions covered by California Penal Code.

This needs to stop.

Thanks in advance, Laurie

Laws cited:

CA Govt Codes, B&P Codes, Subdivision Map Act.
All these years City Attorney has failed to inform "HD" group they do NOT have legal authority to grant Variances, Conditional Use Permits, DE FACTO REZONING, or any "exceptions to Zone District laws, Standards, or Duties of City Engineer to seal/sign and certify all actions are correct under state laws..... and upon certification also by a licensed lawyer.

I know city elected officials have difficulty believing city hall people are perfectly correct and able to administer Legal Process Laws, but this crematory nonsense -- for the 3 time -- is an outrage.

Residents of Lake Natoma Shores have to look at that ugly new shed every single day, yet young staffer proceeded as if we don't even exist. What do you want to bet the tall height which "cools" the building" will become another, larger bunch of furnaces for human bodies?

Over-Extending the Legal Authority of an "overlay" group, even a lawyer voted to approval extension of Land Use Exceptions which they NEVER EVEN VERIFIED.

City Attorney Steve Rudolph told the Plan Commission back in 1992 cemetery hearings on these outrageous exceptions that he advised against. He recommended a STOP WORK ORDER, and our future council members, ignored his Work Product Advice to them. Steve Rudolph sat and gave legal Opinions at all City Council and Plan Commission meetings. That was not popular with mayor.

In fact, those on Plan Commission who switched their opposition to approval, and voted, before Mr. Chan had opportunity to engage Counsel, voted to restrict Mr. Chan's access to a National Historic Site to "one person, on foot only." It is so "Folsom."

Question: webcast: someone asked "Mrs. Rodriguez" if she had any questions. Was this our current councilperson?

My favorite crematory protests say "don't let the dead kill the living." "Like the smoke, more is coming, with Mercury in it."
Children in LNS have black balloons out front.

Did you all know cemetery only got water line of mere 3" diameter with 2" limiter, because we in LNS paid for water lines? Cemetery has NO hydrants, and won't pay to extend 4000 PSI pipes which fire fighters must have.
Did you know crematory will go into the 1930's metal shed, and that's why a huge 18 foot tall new shed was built. They don't need more maintenance equipment: they butchered more than 7 trees, including the living protected Historic Oaks. They cut "grass" cutting down last winter -- less to save money paid for water through that tiny connection we enabled. They committed criminal acts which still have not been cited [to our knowledge].

Sorry, I just cannot understand how it "slipped the minds" of our city attorney and city engineer to do their advisory jobs, to supply signed opinions of legal compliance.

Mr. Duewel wanted to KNOW, prior to voting. Then he said "but it's only a design review". But that is not what it was. It included an illegal Variance or Condition Use Permit, or "grandfathering in" an old public cemetery -- according to webcast. He actually believed that junior staffer saying that "yes" it's all grandfathered in.

Poor Oak Chan, he's probably suffering in his unreachable Grave with large monument --- back there in the inaccessible National Historic Site. Why did planner fail to ask a Licensed city professional to review his Recommendation?

Why were the Minutes approved by a person who was not even present to know there were questions?

"HD" is NO zone; their powers are not those of 'commission'. It's a pathetic violation of higher Authorities in Law, and people believe what they are told at cityhall [apparently.]

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Sorry, we were unable to deliver your message to the following address.

<kduewel@folsom.ca.us>:  
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Kindly supply email address, as your .com page rejected my contact.
To: Folsom Comm. Dev. director P. Johns; planner Josh Kinkade  
Asst. City Clerk: Please share with 5 council members  
From: LJ Laurent, LNS Sub. Abutting Neighbor  
October 2, 2021  

Re: Telegraph published article VS Reality of city staff  


Furnace Application is the third in few years.  NOT ONCE were Abutting forest/river protection US Agencies given Notice, according to city records/minutes.  

This application was filed over ONE YEAR ago, and yet Sacramento County Recorder was Never Notified of Project in Public Domain.  In fact city reports this parcel 070 0260 001 as "Open Space/OS Conservation Zone District."  Tax bill 10/2020 was REDUCED by $1.2 Million, to help "open space".  

New co-owners Caring Service Group, has no city Business License.  They filed all their Building Permits using FALSE ADDRESSes, and in some cases, a totally non-existent Parcel Number.  The Zone District is clearly parcel is NOT OPEN SPACE Conservation ---- which means ZERO BUILDINGS.  They built and plan more huge Commercial buildings on Parcel, a FURNACE, and huge LPG Gas Tanks.  

Clearly Applicants are not concerned with "legal niceties."  Since city made residents pay for a "study" which recommended "Approval" of this Zone District Exception", it is clear the city is at the foundation of this chicanery.  

LNS Residents were charged with Code Violations for lawful protest and WARNING Signs.  Cemetery got away, forever, with NO Posting of Application for Exception for body burning 2,400 F furnace adjacent to Federal Forest, river, homes.

Proposed Folsom crematory opposition continues to heat up
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As residents eagerly wait for a meeting date to be announced, the opposition against the proposal for a new Fols...

"Folsom city staff originally anticipated a September hearing on the matter, but Planning Commission and Historical Commission hearings were then canceled for September.

"We had initially targeted a Sept. 15 date, but it was never officially scheduled for that date," said Folsom planner Josh Kincade. "We don't currently have a meeting date set but there will be a notice (in local newspapers) 20 days prior to the hearing and the notice will be physically sent to property owners within 300 feet of the project site at the same time."

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Lr15rPHEmeQ
"heating up is right" fire & debris would spread for miles.

Folsom does NOT publish "city planner JOB description". Only "Park planner" is available now. It is LESS demanding than city planner, and pays less, but here it is.
Salary 2018 $58,353.84 - $89,071.08 Annually

THE POINT IS: that is BIG BUCKS for persons who might not even KNOW basic Public Notice laws, and comprehend their Obligations which come with that kind of money.

Comm Dev director makes $15,388 per Month salary, or about $190,000 a year in salary. That is a lot of money PLUS huge benefits. And we don't even get PROPER, Legally-mandated Posted Notices and USPS Mail Notices. We get citations.

As a Federal Tax Payer, I firmly believe our USBR, DOI, and BLM federal employees DESERVE a NOTICE of a body-burning FURNACE be delivered to their Offices via Certified Mail.

Folsom acts like an insulated power-structure with very little respect for Laws, Rights, and Protection of Water Supply and our Environment.
Folsom staff have OK'd the 'study' for Approval. No Fire Dept objections were in that study. No ONE cited Zoning Code, Fire Code, Street ACCESS Code, etc. Development staff give an impression to us, that they think our Fire and Police people are as disposable as those bodies who represent Revenue from OPEN SPACE Zone.

You get the message? This is a highly paid group who have incentives to deliver the "Folsom Version" of laws.
Residents? We get the "wrong end of the match-book."

If you knew the Extent of the Expertise behind LNS Objections, you might be ashamed of yourselves. But, at those reimbursement rates and rewards, guess it is unlikely.

LNS residents exist between the unbelievably dry Federal Forest & Watershed of American River, and the incredibly DANGEROUS gas tanks and furnace on Parcel Zoned OPEN SPACE/OS Conservation. If even one of those huge LPG tanks explodes, Folsom Blvd., Light rail, and lots of drivers and businesses in old sutter, will all take the "hit" with us. VIEW VIDEO!

Folsom, It this hell, or what?

Below is only city Job Description online, for a "planner".
EXAMPLES OF ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

NOTE: The following are the duties performed by employees in this However, employees may perform other related duties at an equiva individual in the classification does not necessarily perform all the

- Prepare preliminary construction drawings, specifications, and co landscape architectural projects and bid documents including the grading, drainage, paving, irrigation, plant materials, and play equ
- Participate in site analyses, master planning, designing, cost esti landscape architectural plans and drawings for accuracy and con design and check calculations used in designs and estimates.
- Review, check, and make necessary corrections to landscape and site plan drawings, designs, and estimates as prepared by consul conformance to original design.
- Inspect park, recreational, and trail site projects during construct construction is performed according to plans and specifications.
- Interpret city standards and specifications regarding trail construc
- Prepare a variety of charts, graphs, maps, plans, and other illus presentations to the Parks and Recreation Commission and the F reports, and studies.
- Monitor and approve project expenditures and maintain project ac
- Analyze proposed projects for conformance with adopted city land
- Meet and confer with developers, contractors, and engineers.
- Prepare grant applications and necessary graphics for a variety o
- Compile a variety of information and data for staff reports and stu
- Perform related duties as assigned.
Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device
Get Outlook for Android

From: Liz Byer
Sent: Friday, January 28, 2022 5:10:40 PM
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Crematorium

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CAUTION: This email originated from outside of the organization. Do not click links or open attachments unless you recognize the sender and know the content is safe.

Please stop this crematorium now! Summers are barely tolerable due to the fires now! This will destroy our property value just like the meat rendering plant south of Rancho Cordova!
Liz and Andrew Byer
[Redacted] Persifer street

Sent from my iPhone
Begin forwarded message:

From: Liz Byer
Date: January 28, 2022 at 5:07:49 PM PST
To: Elaine Andersen <eandersen@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Crematorium

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Please stop the crematorium in old Town! This will destroy our reputation! Summers are getting harder and harder to enjoy as it is with fires! Please stop this now!

The Byers
Persifer street

Sent from my iPhone
July 27, 2021

Dear Mr. Kinkaid:

I understand the owner of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery located at the entrance of “The Preserve” neighborhood off Folsom Boulevard is planning to put a crematorium in his facility. He states his plans are to run his crematorium Monday through Friday each week, estimating the cremation of three bodies per day. This will require the use of two-250-pound propane tanks. He assures his process is safe and compliant with fire and environmental safety standards.

While this may be true, accidents can and do happen. From 2012 until May 2021, there have been some seventeen (17) crematory accidental fires in this country, that I am aware of. The most recent took place on 05-11-2021 in Corona, California. The actual cause of this fire was not made clear. The one before that was in May 2018, in San Diego County. Firefighters were able to put out the fire, but the fire spoke’s person confirmed the continued presence of “sand clouds of human remains in the sky”. This is what nearby residents were breathing in.

There were several others before these I could detail, but in the interest of space, will refrain.

Especially in this time of climate change and easily ignited fires, a crematorium in a residential neighborhood, in the middle of a small city, is an unnecessary public safety risk. As it is, our landscape is so dry that we must be vigilant throughout the summer months to prevent fires.

Should a fire break out in this prospective crematorium, the people in this entire neighborhood would be at risk. There is only one exit, exactly where this cemetery is located. Residents could be trapped.

I have additional concern about air quality. The Amigone Cemetery cremation center in upstate New York was shut down in 2010 by the State’s Department of Environmental Conservation because of “heavy black smoke spewing from the crematorium”. Equipment repairs were made, and the crematorium was re-opened in 2019. Even still, nearby residents continued to experience distinctive odors and dust particles on windowsills, they said were “human remains”. This has been disturbing enough that these residents report reluctance still to leave their windows open or spend time outside.

We ask you to please not permit this crematory project of the Lakeside Cemetery to occur. It simply is NOT SAFE in this location that is near people and their homes that have only one exit, near the fire source itself.

Sincerely,

Marie Rice
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Mariko McGarry, Ph.D.
February 1, 2022

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January 30, 2022

City of Folsom Historic District Commission

RE: Opposition to the proposed Folsom Lakeside Crematorium Project

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing this letter to voice my concerns regarding the proposal to build a crematorium right behind my house. This is the second letter that I have sent regarding my opposition to the crematorium. My concerns include negative impacts on my health and the health of the community, enjoyment of my property, the likely devaluation of the value of my property and degradation of our natural environment.

I have read the letter from Igor Semenyuk titled “Scope of Work- Installing a Crematory” and take issue with many of. First and foremost, the crematory is not “removed from any residences and Parks”, my home is literally feet from the proposed crematory site and the property borders State Park land with historical and major natural resources and wildlife, including endangered Bald Eagles. In his “Cremation Process” section he states “there is no smoke or residue that leaves the chamber” This is a completely false statement contradicted by the study he paid for and was completed by Helix Environmental Planning. There will be toxic emissions, particulates and a significant amount of CO2 released into the environment from the cremation process.

I am a retired Oncology/Hematology RN and Hospice RN, so I have cared for patients prior to and during the death process. There are multiple medical implants, catheters, joint replacements and dental work that when cremated and release toxic substances. Not to mention the toxic pharmaceuticals ( chemotherapy, radioactive pellets and drugs) that remain in human tissue and are vaporized during the cremation process. I have read the Assessment completed by Helix Environmental Planning and am concerned that the above referenced toxic substances were lumped in Reactive Organic Compounds (ROC) or (PM) without stating how dangerous these emissions can be. The Report on the Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas impacts of the Crematorium and the Health Risk Assessment does not address our concerns about Public Health and Greenhouse gas emissions posed by the crematorium. The report done for CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) is not complete and does not fully support a full environmental review process.

I was concerned that the Helix report only briefly mentions the release of mercury from cremation. No estimates were provided and the data mentioned was from the manufacturer of the crematorium unit. A report on the NIH website states that “Crematoria represent a significant source of mercury emissions to the environment”. “The danger with mercury is long term indirect exposure from the environment and the food chain”. This is because mercury can accumulate over time in our tissues and becomes a potent neurotoxin. It’s also linked to decreased intelligence in children. Mercury is also known to kidney damage. We live in a neighborhood where we eat fruits and vegetables from from our yards and people and wildlife catch and consume fish from Lake Natoma. The Lake Natoma/ American River is a major source of drinking water for over a million people or more. Why wasn’t this mentioned or reviewed?
Another area that wasn't covered in the Helix report was the amount of greenhouse gasses that will be produced, specifically CO2. There are multiple initiatives from the state, federal and international agencies that are attempting to reduce greenhouse gas production and the Crematorium will be a significant producer of CO2. The crematory proposes to burn propane for the cremation process, per their report, each cycle burns 19.672 gallons with a proposed 4 cycles a day and 500 cycles per year. From the U.S Energy Information Administration, each gallon of propane burned produces 12.61 lbs of CO2. Multiply that by 19.67 gallons per cycle times 4 cycles per day. It comes to 992 lbs of CO2 produced per day. 500 cycles per year produces 124,032 lbs of CO2. This is a large amount of CO2 production in our neighborhood which adds to our existing elevated levels of CO2. Why was this not fully evaluated? Have alternatives been fully considered? Maybe Igor Semenyuk could be a leader in the industry by investing in Aquamation for human remains, which is a significantly less polluting and has a lower carbon footprint.

I also take issue with the statement from the Helix report that states “The project was not found to be a substantial source of objectionable odors and odor imparts.” There is no methodology, background or citations given to base that statement on. Do we have to rely on their word or will they provide more information on which to base that claim? From the articles I have read, odors and smoke are the main complaint from neighbors who live near crematoriums.

My personal concerns are that the smell from burning bodies will be a daily occurrence and will interfere with the enjoyment and value of my property. I love to spend time gardening, generally enjoying my backyard, which backs up to the cemetery and is very close to the proposed crematory. This will be impacted by the presence and smell of crematorium operations. I am also concerned about the health impact of breathing the emissions from cremations. Breathing residue from human bodies being burned, including substances which are toxic to humans and wildlife and particulates have been shown to have major health adverse impacts and are known to shorten lives. There are personal financial consequences too. Having a Crematorium behind my home will decrease my resale value as most future purchasers will find it upsetting and distasteful to have a crematorium out back.

I do hope this letter helps you to realize that the crematorium project will have negative health and pollution consequences and that it does not belong in our neighborhood and historic Folsom. Please demand a greater articulation of the consequences of this proposal. Better yet, please deny the project.

Sincerely,

Mary Johnson
Josh Kinkade

From: Scott Johnson
Sent: Monday, February 7, 2022 4:17 PM
To: Josh Kinkade
Subject: FW: Please Vote NO on Proposed Crematorium

Scott A. Johnson, AICP
Planning Manager
Community Development Department
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630
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From: John (Dave) & Mary
Sent: Monday, February 7, 2022 4:16 PM
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>; Steven Banks <sbanks@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: Please Vote NO on Proposed Crematorium

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Scott Johnson, Planning Manager
Steve Banks, Principal Planner

I am writing as a concerned citizen that lives in the adjacent neighborhood of the proposed crematorium. My concerns are from the heart. I have loved ones that have been laid to rest at the Lakeside Cemetery and visit often. The cemetery is a beautiful place to walk through and visit. The wildlife I have seen there over the years has brought much pleasure to me. In the last several years a pair of bald eagles have been successful in nesting and have been quite successful in growing their family and growing their species. One of my concerns is about the long-term environmental impact the crematorium emissions would have on the future successes of the bald eagle population. Air quality for the neighborhood would be another major concern, especially for those with health issues such as asthma. The neighborhood is a mix of young, growing families and retired families. The area is known for its healthy environment and healthy style of living. The industrial business just is not a good fit or in the best interest of the people of Folsom.

The site is zoned OS/P (Open Space/Public Primary Area) with underlying zoning of OSC (Open Space and Conservation) and has a General Plan designation of OS (Open Space). The Historic District Commission will take final action on this request unless the decision is appealed to the City Council. I am asking the City Council to vote NO on the proposed crematorium.
HFRA Mission Statement

The Historic Folsom Residents Association is a group of neighbors working together to protect, preserve, advocate for and enhance the Folsom Historic Residential District. Through community involvement and awareness, HFRA shall strive to collaborate and build strong partnerships with City Government and local entities to identify and resolve current and future neighborhood concerns affecting the Folsom Historic District. We are united by our love for the community and desire to maintain and improve the quality of life for residents and defend the historic integrity of this neighborhood for future generations.
Dear Historic District Commissioner:

Bottom line – who benefits from having a crematorium in our neighborhood? The neighbors? The City? Caring Service Group/Miller Funeral Home? The Chinese historical sites? The Folsom Historic District? The children or elderly of our community, especially with health issues? Not likely! It’s definitely pause for speculation & concern.

Please help us, the Folsom residents within the historic district, and specifically The Preserve neighborhood, to reject the proposal to have a crematory built where we live our daily lives.

You are already well-informed of our many objections & serious concerns of having this crematory approved, so I will not list them here, but I don’t believe it’s asking too much to want clean air, clean lakes, and good health. And this doesn’t even include our worries about fires in our high-risk fire area with 500 gallons of propane present at the cemetery property for the cremations, and what invisible harmful particles might be in the air caused by the use of a crematorium 4-6 times a day. It would seem more plausible to build such a crematorium in an industrial area, or use another facility of which there are a number of them in our county.

And yes, I’m over 75 and live in a receptor area.
Thank you for listening to our concerns and worries,

Mary Rigney

[Redacted] Young Wo Cir.

Folsom, CA 95630

[Redacted] 509
Dear Daron,

I’m hoping I’m not too late in voicing my concern about having a crematorium in our Preserve neighborhood, this being the second attempt by Miller’s Funeral Home. Please pass my concerns onto those making the decisions in this serious matter.

We’ve already voiced our strong feelings against having dead bodies burned in our own backyards, yet we are being faced with this same issue one more time! I’m sure that it is sanitary & safe, but that is not the point. I don’t see why this can’t be done elsewhere in an industrial area that would be far more fitting than to disrupt an entire neighborhood who have already voted against this project. It seems we’re being hit hard right now with other propositions which would drastically alter our quiet safe haven, our main reason for choosing this area to live in the first place. Between the constant battle with the future of the Corp yard (most recently affordable housing!), the light rail adding more tracks doubling the stops at our ONE outlet for our community, and now the crematorium issue on top of it all!

Therefore, I would like to join my other neighbors in requesting reconsideration of the projects I’ve mentioned above. Thank you for your time & listening to my concerns, and for sharing with the those making the decisions, it’s so appreciated.

Mary Rigney

510 Young Wo Cir
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Megan McClure
Young Wo Circle
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Thank You Respectfully,

Melissa (Missy) Ingle
and wife
Betty (Renee) Reed
Folsom
NURSE
BECAUSE BADASS LIFE SAVER ISN'T AN OFFICIAL JOB TITLE.
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and wife
Betty (Renee) Reed
Oakdale St, Folsom
February 3, 2022
Josh Kinkade, Associate Planner
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Folsom CA 95630

RE: COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN CREMATORIUM DRAFT INITIAL STUDY/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION AND THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

First, I would like to state that I have lived in Folsom for 20 years and live adjacent to the Lakeside Cemetery property. Also, my family has been identified as “sensitive receptors” in the Health Risk Assessment.

I have reviewed the above-mentioned documents and I recommend disapproval of the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration based on comments below. I also recommend disapproval of the draft Conditional Use Permit (CUP).

Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND)

#1. Project Description, Parking and Circulation (page 2), last paragraph, it states that access would only need to accommodate a small number of staff members as there is limited parking onsite. However, this appears to be in conflict with statements made in the applicant’s Scope of Work. It states that “cremation-based cultures require on-site crematory so they may be able to exercise their funeral rights and customs.” As any cremation may attract large number of attendees, the cremations should clearly be limited to small number of staff as stated in the IS/MND.

Unless the cremations are limited to only staff attending, there could be potentially significant impacts on traffic, circulation, and parking within a small residential neighborhood with only one way in and out of the subdivision with limited amount of off-street parking (the Transportation Section XVII of the draft IS/MND also states under parking and access that only a small number of staff members will need to be accommodated).

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conducted one time, on November 11, 2020. Air pollution patterns will vary depending on time of year and wind directions, etc. Additional air modeling should be conducted at the project site at different times of the year.

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**Draft Conditional Use Permit (CUP)**

#1. The public noticing for this proposed CUP does not meet State Planning Law for CUP’s as per Government Code Section 65905 and needs to be re-noticed. I have attached a copy of the State Training guide for CUP’s. The public notice for this project is titled “Notice of Public Hearing and Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration.” No mention of a draft CUP for review. The notice only refers to the CUP once, and as an entitlement.

#2. Further, no draft CUP was included in the public review documents listed online by the City for public comments. City staff’s notification stated that the CUP will be included in a Staff Report and be available at least 5 days prior to the February 16th HDC meeting. Section 65905 states that noticing of the CUP needs to be made available at least 10 days prior to the public hearing. No Staff Report online as of February 3th.

#3. A condition of the permit should include limiting attendance of cremations to cemetery employees only as assured in the IS/MND.

It appears that there may be significant impacts from this project. While the IS/MND did not identify potentially significant impacts, the Lead Agency (City of Folsom), makes the final determination. The Lead Agency should complete a project-specific Environmental Impact Report (EIR). While the Lead Agency is relying on an existing program EIR, a project-specific EIR should instead be completed due to the uniqueness of this proposed project and its location, located in Open Space zoning in the Historic District.

Sincerely,

Nancy Fallon Oldham

Cc: Kathleen Cole, Chair, HDC
Cc: John Lane, HDC
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Attachment
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The Planner's Training Series:
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The CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

WHAT IS A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT?

A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT (CUP) allows a city or county to consider special uses which may be essential or desirable to a particular community, but which are not allowed as a matter of right within a zoning district, through a public hearing process. A conditional use permit can provide flexibility within a zoning ordinance. Another traditional purpose of the conditional use permit is to enable a municipality to control certain uses which could have detrimental effects on the community (Neighborhood Action Group v. County of Calaveras (1984) 156 Cal.App.3d 1176).

Consideration of a CUP is a discretionary act. A CUP application tendered by a project proponent is considered at a public hearing and, if approved, is generally subject to a number of pertinent conditions of approval. Depending on local ordinance requirements, hearings are typically held by a board of zoning, the planning commission, or a zoning administrator. The owners of property near the site are sent advance notice of the date, time, and place of the hearing.

Examples of common uses allowed with a conditional use permit can be found in any city or county zoning ordinance. For example, Santa Rosa’s zoning ordinance lists uses which may be permitted within single-family residential districts with a conditional use permit. These uses include churches, public or private schools, public building or utility structures, parking lots, temporary subdivision sales offices, and community care and health care facilities. Chico’s zoning ordinance lists various uses permitted with a use permit issued by either a planning director or planning commission. These uses include temporary amusement attractions, the placement of a building or structure on a lot or parcel which has been moved from another lot or parcel, public buildings and facilities, parking or access located off-site from the site being served, private recreation centers, and planned developments. Each city or county may include in their zoning ordinance a wide variety of uses which they will permit with a conditional use permit.

ENABLING LEGISLATION

The rules under which counties and general law cities may issue a conditional use permit are provided by state and case law. Charter cities are not subject to state zoning law, except in special circumstances, but may still use its provisions (Section 65803). The following is a brief examination of the authority and rules under which local governments act in issuing use permits.

Constitutional Authority:

Local governments have the authority to enact local planning and land use regulations to protect the public health, safety, and welfare of their residents through their police power. The “police power” provides the right to adopt and enforce zoning regulations, as long as they do not conflict with state laws. The police power is the basis for charter city zoning powers.

(California Constitution, Article XI, Section 7)

Statutory Authority:

California code reiterates the Constitutional police powers of cities and counties to enact zoning regulations, but has little to say about CUPs in particular.

“The legislative body of any county or city may, pursuant to this chapter, adopt ordinances that do any of the following:

“Regulate the use of buildings, structures, and land as between industry, business, residences, open space, including agriculture, recreation, enjoyment of scenic beauty, use of natural resources, and other purposes…. "

(Section 65850(a))

“The board of zoning adjustment or zoning administrator shall hear and decide applications for conditional uses or other permits when the zoning ordinance provides therefor and establishes criteria for determining those matters …”

“The board of zoning adjustment or zoning administrator may also exercise any other powers granted by local ordinance and may adopt all rules and procedures
necessary or convenient for the conduct of the board’s or administrator’s business.”
(Section 65901(a))

Case Law:
California case law has established a number of fundamental principles relating to conditional use permits. In addition to the basic uses permitted within a zoning district, a city or county zoning ordinance can provide other specified uses which may be permitted after consideration and resolution by an administrative agency that the proposed use is in the best interest of public convenience and necessity and will not be contrary to the public health, morals, or welfare (Upton v. Gray (1969) 269 Cal.App.2d 352).


The authority to consider conditional use permits, delegated to planning commissions or other administrative bodies by elected officials, must include standards of guidance. These standards of guidance are provided to ensure that the delegation of discretion to an administrative agency is not unbridled and, thus, not invalid. The doctrine of the need of an ascertainable standard to guide an administrative body applies where the legislative body of a city attempts to delegate its law-making functions (Stoedtard v. Bdeiman (1970) 4 Cal.App.3d 544).

PROCEDURE

The approval of a conditional use permit is an administrative, quasi-judicial act. It is not a change of zone, but rather a project-specific change in the uses allowed on a specific property. Conditional use permits do not involve the establishment of new codes, regulations, or policies. Instead, a conditional use permit applies the provisions of the zoning ordinance and its standards to the specific set of circumstances which characterize the proposed land use. Cities and counties have the authority to establish either a board of zoning adjustment or a zoning administrator to hear and decide applications for conditional uses. Local ordinance can establish specific procedures under which a delegated board of appeals will hear and determine appeals from the decisions of the board of zoning adjustment or the zoning administrator (Section 65903). In most jurisdictions, appeals are heard by the next highest body, eventually reaching the city council or county board of supervisors for a final decision.

Public Hearing:
Section 65905 requires a public hearing to be held on an application for a conditional use permit. At a minimum, advance public notice, an opportunity to be heard, and a fair hearing are constitutional due process rights as explained in Horst v. County of Ventura (1979) 24 C.3d 605.

The Government Code establishes minimum requirements for public notice for counties and general law cities. Charter cities may adopt similar provisions. The notice of a public hearing must include: the date, time, and place of the hearing; the identity of the hearing body or officer (commonly the delegated board of zoning adjustment or the zoning administrator); a description of the proposal and the conditional use permit process; and the location of the property involved (Section 65094). Notice must be mailed to all property owners within 300 feet of the proposal’s site boundary at least 10 days prior to the public hearing. The names and addresses of owners are those listed on the most current county equalized assessment roll. This requirement includes the owners of property which lie outside the city limits or county line (Scott v. Indian Wells (1972) 6 C.3d 541). Notice must also be published once in a newspaper of general circulation at least 10 days before the hearing.

Section 65030 recognizes the importance of public participation in public hearings and expresses a clear legislative intent that local agencies insure public participation at every level of the conditional use permit process. The purposes of the public hearing is for the zoning board or zoning administrator to hear and consider the opinions of the proponent and nearby property owners prior to making their decision to either approve or deny the conditional use permit. As a quasi-judicial act, the approval of a conditional use permit requires the board or administrator to adopt written findings to support their action. Whether the proposal has been approved or denied, the decision can be appealed to a higher body, usually the board of appeals, the planning commission, or city council, in accordance with the city or county zoning ordinance. The appeals body may reverse or affirm, wholly or partly, or may modify the decision, and may make such decision as should be made, and its action is final (Section 65903).
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Section 65903 delegates to local legislative bodies the authority to establish procedures for an appeal but not the power to restrict the right of appeal. Thus, a county zoning ordinance cannot attempt to restrict the right of appeal to solely the applicant and exclude the general public, especially adjacent property owners (Concerned Citizens of Murphys v. Jackson (1977) 72 Cal.App.3d 1021).

In order to encourage concurrent processing for the purpose of expediting zone changes and general plan amendments, Section 65862 provides that planning agencies may simultaneously process a consolidated application which may include a use permit, rezoning, and general plan amendment if all three applications encompass the same property.

California Environmental Quality Act:
Conditional use permits are subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq.). Prior to the public hearing on the proposed conditional use permit, the city or county must evaluate the proposal to determine whether or not it may have any significant adverse effects on the environment. If the proposal is not exempt from environmental review, the city or county is required to prepare either a negative declaration indicating that the conditional use permit will have no significant effect, or an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) which describes the potential negative impacts of the proposal and the means to avoid or lessen those impacts. See the bibliography for a reference which can provide more information about the California Environmental Quality Act.

Permit Streamlining Act:
The Permit Streamlining Act (Section 65920, et seq.) establishes time limits within which the review and approval or denial of a conditional use permit proposal must occur. For instance, if an EIR was certified for a conditional use permit, the application must be acted upon within one hundred eighty days from the date of certification (Section 65950(a)(1)). A proposal for which a negative declaration was adopted or a CEQA exemption used must be acted upon within sixty days of that action (Section 65950(a)(2)(3)). A conditional use permit cannot be disapproved solely to comply with these deadlines.

The Permit Streamlining Act provides that failure to meet its deadlines will result in automatic approval of the conditional use permit (Section 65956(b)). However, the permit can only be deemed approved if public notice and an opportunity to be heard had been provided either by the agency or by the applicant.

The Permit Streamlining Act does not apply to administrative appeals within a state or local agency (Section 65922). Therefore, if a permit is appealed to a higher body there is no strict time frame within which the appeal must be heard.

Limitations on Conditional Use Permits
As a rule, conditional use permits do not authorize uses that the zoning ordinance does not authorize, nor uses not expressly authorized by the permit. The conditional use permit includes conditions which limit the applicant's authority to use the property. Under certain conditions, however, local governments may incorporate provisions from federal laws and broaden the range of uses permitted (Sports Arena Properties, Inc. v. City of San Diego (1985) 40 C.3d 808).

It is often the case that local agencies follow a general set of standards in considering a conditional use permit. These standards are generally acceptable since it is a near impossibility to devise standards to cover all possible situations in which a use permit can be issued (Tuatin Heights Association v. Board of Supervisors (1959) 170 Cal.App.2d 619). There are several cases in which these standards have been upheld.

General Welfare Standard:
"The establishment, maintenance or conducting of the use for which a use permit is sought will not, under the particular case, be detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or improvements in the neighborhood" (Hawkins v. County of Marin (1976) 54 Cal.App.3d 586).

Nuisance Standard:
"Any use found to be objectionable or incompatible with the character of the city and its environs due to noise, dust, odors or other undesirable characteristics may be prohibited" (Snow v. City of Garden Grove (1961) Cal.App.2d 496).

General Plan Consistency Standards:
"Although use permits are not explicitly made subject to a general plan meeting the requirement of state law, that condition is necessarily to be implied from the hierarchical relationship of land use laws."
Thus, use permits are struck from the mold of the zoning law, the zoning law must comply with the adopted general plan, and the adopted general plan must conform with state law; the validity of the permit process derives from compliance with this hierarchy of planning laws (Neighborhood Action Group v. County of Santa Clara (1984) 156 Cal.App.3d 1176).

**Zoning Consistency Standard:**

"To obtain a use permit, the applicant must generally show that the contemplated use is compatible with the policies in terms of the zoning ordinances, and that such use would be essential or desirable to the public convenience or welfare, and will not impair the integrity and character of the zoned district or be detrimental to the public health, safety, morals or welfare" (O'Hagen v. Board of Zoning Adjustment (1971) 19 Cal.App.3d 151).

In addition to the general standards discussed, there also exist other limitations on conditional use permits. Conditional use permits run with the land not the applicant (Cohn v. County Board of Supervisors (1955) 135 Cal.App.2d 180). That is, where conditional use permits are concerned, all related property and personal rights are freely transferable, unless expressly prohibited by law (Anza Parking Corporation v. City of Burlingame (1988) 195 Cal.App.3d 855), inversely, a conditional use permit may not lawfully limit the permittee from transferring it with the land since such a condition is beyond the power of the zoning authority (Anza, supra).

The conditions which are imposed on a conditional use permit must be expressly attached to the permit and cannot be implied. For example, if a conditional use permit contains language that restricts a building’s height to five stories and requires the developer to submit and obtain planning commission approval of a landscaping plan, among other things, the permit itself does not imply a height limitation on trees within the development (Pacifica Homeowners’ Association v. Wesley Palms Retirement Community (1986) 178 Cal.App.3d 1147).

**OTHER TYPES OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMITS**

State law also allows conditional use permits for "granny" units, second dwelling units, and mobile-home parks. If a local zoning ordinance does not provide for these cases, the ability to apply for conditional use permits allowing these uses is provided for by state law. In all cases, public notice and hearing must be provided as discussed earlier.

**"Granny" Units (Section 65852.1) -**

"... any city, including a charter city, county, or city and county may issue a zoning variance, special use permit, or conditional use permit for a dwelling unit to be constructed, or which is attached to or detached from, a primary residence on a parcel zoned for a single-family residence, if the dwelling unit is intended for the sole occupancy of one adult or two adult persons who are 62 years of age or over, and the area of floor space of the attached dwelling unit does not exceed 30 percent of the existing living area or the area of the floor space of the detached dwelling unit does not exceed 1,200 square feet."

Prior to approval of a conditional use permit under Section 65852.1, the city or county must find that the resident or residents meet the age criteria, and that the floor area of the proposed unit does not exceed that allowed by the statute. In accordance with the special circumstances provided in Section 65803, Section 65852.1 applies to charter cities, as well as general law cities.

**Second Dwelling Units (Section 65852.2) -**

"Notwithstanding Section 65901, every local agency shall grant a special use or a conditional use permit for the creation of a second unit if the second unit complies with all of the following:

(A) The unit is not intended for sale and may be rented.

(B) The lot is zoned for single-family or multi-family use.

(C) The lot contains an existing single-family dwelling.

(D) The second unit is either attached to the existing dwelling and located within the living area of the existing dwelling or detached from the existing dwelling and located on the same lot as the existing dwelling.

(E) The increased floor area of an attached second unit shall not exceed 30 percent of the existing living area.

(F) The total area of floor space for a detached second unit shall not exceed 1,200 square feet.

(G) Requirements relating to height, setback, lot coverage, architectural review, site plan review, fees, charges, and other zoning requirements generally ap-
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applicable to residential construction in the zone in which the property is located.

"(H) Local building code requirements which apply to detached dwellings, as appropriate.

"(I) Approval by the local health officer where a private sewage disposal system is being used, if required."

Section 65852.2 also provides that any local agency may, by ordinance, allow second units in single-family and multifamily residential zones. Thus, a Section 65852.2 conditional use permit is only required for second units when a local agency has not adopted an ordinance governing second units.

Mobilehome Parks (Section 65852.7) -

"A mobilehome park, as defined in Section 18214 of the Health and Safety Code, shall be deemed a permitted land use on all land planned and zoned for residential land use as designated by the applicable general plan; provided, however, that a city, county, or a city and county may require a use permit."

If a local government denies the renewal of a conditional use permit allowing a mobilehome park, the government must take specified required steps to mitigate the adverse impacts of the mobilehome park closure, pursuant to Section 65863.7.

FINDINGS

Written "findings of fact" are required in order to support the decision of the hearing body to approve or deny a conditional use permit (Topanga Association for a Scenic Community v. County of Los Angeles (1974) 11 C.3d 506). Findings are the legal footprints left by local decision-makers to show how the decision-making process progressed from the initial facts to the decision.

Findings are important. They "bridge the analytical gap between the raw evidence and ultimate decision" (Topanga, supra). If the decision is challenged, a court will examine the evidence supporting the findings to determine whether the hearing body abused its discretion when acting on a conditional use permit. Such an abuse of discretion is to be found when: (1) the agency did not proceed in a manner prescribed by law; (2) the agency’s decision is not supported by findings; and (3) the agency’s findings are not supported by evidence in the administrative record.

Topanga cites several purposes for making findings, among which include: (1) providing a framework for making principled decisions, thus enhancing the integrity of the administrative process; (2) helping make analysis orderly and reducing the likelihood that the agency will randomly leap from evidence to conclusion; and (3) serving a public relations function by helping to persuade the parties that administrative decision-making is careful, reasoned, and equitable. Findings should also justify any conditions which impose fees or other exactions.

For a detailed discussion of findings requirements, see OPR’s publication entitled Bridging the Gap.

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

Section 65901 empowers local decision-making bodies to take action on use permit proposals when zoning ordinances make provisions and set criteria for them. The hearing body may also modify a conditional use permit’s terms by imposing new or revised conditions, if the ordinance, interim ordinance, or original conditional use permit so provides (Garavatti v. Fairfax Planning Commission (1971) 22 Cal.App.3d 145).

Just as there are limitations in approving a conditional use permit, there are also limitations in establishing conditions of approval. Four general rules of thumb in applying conditions of approval include: (1) the jurisdiction must be acting within its police powers; (2) the condition must substantially further a legitimate public purpose; (3) the condition must further the same public purpose for which it was imposed; and (4) the property owner may not be required to carry a disproportionate load in furthering the public purpose (California Land-Use and Planning Law, 9th edition).

Section 65909 provides that dedications of land, as conditions of approval, must be "reasonably related" to the use of the property for which the conditional use permit is requested. There must also be a "rough proportionality" between the extent of the condition and the particular demand or impact of the project (Dolan v. City of Tigard (1994) 129 L.Ed2nd 304). In addition, a performance bond cannot be required for the installation of public improvements that are not reasonably related to the property use. Limitations on impact fees are described in the Mitigation Fee Act (Section 66000, et seq.).

If a condition applied to a conditional use permit is not linked to some legitimate public need or burden the project creates, the condition imposed could be deemed a taking of property in violation of the U.S. Constitution’s Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments.
CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT CHECKLIST

If a conditional use permit is to be approved, all of the following questions must be answered affirmatively.

1. Is the public hearing notice complete in its description of the project?
   - Yes  - No

2. Has the public hearing notice been issued in accordance with all procedures?
   - Yes  - No

3. Is the proposed use, with proposed conditions of approval, suitable for the site?
   - Yes  - No

4. If any conditions of approval call for dedications of land, are they reasonably related to the use and its impacts?
   - Yes  - No

5. If significant environmental effects have been identified as a result of the proposed conditional use permit, have conditions been required, or has the project been redesigned, to mitigate those effects?
   - Yes  - No

6. Have findings been adopted to support the agency’s decision, based upon substantial evidence in the record?
   - Yes  - No

7. Are the required environmental findings being adopted?
   - Yes  - No

(Nollan v. California Coastal Commission (1987) 97 L.Ed2nd 677). Where a regulatory taking has been found to occur, the courts will overturn the agency’s action and may require the agency to pay the applicant compensation for the taking (Dolan, supra).

EXAMPLES

The following court cases illustrate when it may be proper to grant a conditional use permit and when it may not be. These cases are illustrations only and should not be used as the sole basis for granting or denying a conditional use permit.

Cases Upholding Conditional Use Permit Approvals

General Welfare Standard
The general welfare standard is sufficient in granting a conditional use permit. The issuance of a conditional use permit for a low-cost rental housing for the elderly in a residential area was upheld on grounds that the proposed use would not be “detrimental to the public welfare or injurious to property or improvements in the neighborhood” (Hawkins v. County of Marin (1976) 54 Cal.App.3d 586).

General Plan Consistency
The absence of a valid general plan does not preclude all development activity. Section 65361 establishes the general plan extension procedure whereby local governments can proceed with development pending completion of a valid general plan. This procedure also applied to the case where a county approved minor land subdivisions without a required general plan (Resources Defense Fund v. County of Santa Cruz (1982) 133 Cal.App.3d 800).

Procedure/Public Notice
A conditional use permit cannot be revoked without sufficient cause. Further, prior to revocation, notice and hearing must be provided for. Thus, in the case where an applicant was given notice that the hearing would concern the expiration of the conditional use permit rather than the revocation of the permit, attempt to revoke the permit was nullified (Community Development Commission of Mendocino County v. City of Fort Bragg (1988) 204 Cal.App.3d 1124).

Cases Overturning Conditional Use Permit Approvals

General Welfare Standard
A county zoning ordinance requiring a church in a residential zone to obtain a conditional use permit prior to allowing it to use the land was found not to abridge the constitutional right of freedom of religious wor-
ship. The court held that a county zoning ordinance which provides a use permit to be granted if the use will not be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort, and general welfare of persons or property in the neighborhood, or to the general welfare of the county, is not unconstitutional by reason of vagueness or uncertainty (Matthews v. Board of Supervisors of Stanislaus County (1962) 203 Cal.App.2d 800).

Nuisance Standard
The approval of a conditional use permit for the storage of houses was overturned on grounds that any use may be prohibited if found to be objectionable or incompatible with the character of the city and its environs due to noise, dust, odors or other undesirable characteristics (Snow v. City of Garden Grove (1961) 188 Cal.App.2d 496).

General Plan Consistency
The issuance of a conditional use permit to a construction company for production of sand and gravel was overturned on grounds that the general plan elements which bear on the permit are inadequate and the permit is inconsistent with pertinent provisions of an adequate general plan (Neighborhood Action Group v. County of Calaveras (1984) 156 Cal.App.3d 1176).
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*California Permit Handbook*, (California Office of Permit Assistance), 1996-97. This handbook is a guide to the State environmental permit process and provides guidance for complying with the State's environmental quality and permit streamlining statutes, regulations, and policies.


*CEQA Deskbook: A Step-by-Step Guide on How to Comply with the California Environmental Quality Act*, by Ronald E. Bass, et al., 1996 edition (Solano Press, Point Arena, CA). A guide to understanding the environmental review process and identifying key steps, requirements, and decision points necessary to comply with CEQA.

*Curtin's California Land Use and Planning Law*, by Daniel J. Curtin Jr., 1997 edition (Solano Press, Point Arena, CA), revised annually. A look at the planning, zoning, subdivision, and environmental quality laws, including conditional use permits, as interpreted by numerous court cases.

Hi Daron, I do not think that the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematory project and a conditional use permit should be approved. The proposed crematory I believe is considered an industrial use and should be located only in an industrial zoned area.

As you know the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery is zoned open space/public primary area.

Further, I believe Folsom's Open Space Element of the General Plan counted on the Cemetery land in its open space requirement. The crematory is not a compatible use in open space zoning.

Folsom's General Industrial District (Chapter 17.30 M-2) states that specific uses shall only be permitted in M-2 districts. While it doesn't reference crematories it does list pottery kilns and ceramic works.

I have other concerns and comments on the proposed project including health related concerns with vapors emitted from dental mercury fillings. There are numerous studies regarding this health and environmental issue.

Can you please forward my email to the other commissioners? I know that there may be some new commissioners appointed soon. I will include my above comments and others when the draft Initial Study is made available at a Historic District Commission meeting.

Thank You.
Nancy Fallon Oldham
916 [redacted]
Hello,

My husband, two young kids, and I bought a home in the Lake Natoma Shores neighborhood a year ago. We moved here to be closer to family, and have a better quality of life.

The neighborhood has proven to be magical. My kids have freedom, ride their bikes with the other neighborhood kids, and meet at the park to play. The neighbors gather for movie nights with an outdoor projector, piñatas in the alley, poker nights, the neighborhood band playing for the community, chili cook offs, kayaking on the lake, and holiday decorating contests.

My parents live down the street, and my sister and her family live a couple houses down from them. A new baby is expected in April.

We found out about the proposed crematorium a couple of months after we moved in. I wasn’t worried at first. I never thought it would be allowed in an established historic neighborhood.

We moved to Folsom because of family and that it is “Distinctive by Nature”. Please keep the Historic District special. Please protect Open Space. Please save our magical neighborhood. The crematorium should be put in an industrial area. It does not belong where kids play. If the crematorium gets put in it will destroy an entire neighborhoods’ quality of life just so The Caring Services Group/Miller Funeral Home can make a profit. I don’t want this to happen to my family and my neighbors (please note the smoke and odor quotes):


Thank you,

Nicole Gates

Young Wo Circle
Hello,

I am opposed to having a crematorium in my neighborhood. I have read the "Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration." I am voicing my concerns about:

"The Project Objectives"

On page 7 it states; The project objectives as expressed by the applicant, are to:

1.) Provide cremation services for those who currently live in and around Folsom, as no such services currently exist for the city.

There are 18 crematories within an 18 mile radius of Miller Funeral Home (google maps). 12 are in the City of Sacramento proper, 1 in Rocklin, 1 in Placerville, 1 in Fair Oaks, and 2 in Carmichael. I received this information from the Consumer Affairs office in Sacramento. Mr. Semenyuk is right, there isn't a cremation service directly in Folsom, however there are other facilities close by. Does Folsom really need to have a crematory?

If it is deemed a necessary service for Folsom, the crematorium needs to be in a zoned industrial/commercial area distant from residential neighborhoods.

2.) Provide cremation services for members of the population whose customs or religions require such practices.

While this may be true, it is my opinion the number of Folsom residents requiring this service is low. Customs and religious needs can be met at Mount Vernon Memorial Park and Mortuary in Fair Oaks- 11 minutes or 5.2 miles away from Miller Funeral Home.

3.) Prepare for an increase in the demand for cremation services as cremation becomes more popular in California and as the Folsom population grows.

Mr. Semenyuk is right. Plan, prepare, and place the industrial incinerator in an appropriate location. It belongs in a zoned commercial/industrial area. There is plenty of time to research a far better location than in the Preserves Neighborhood. I see no need to rush to a decision. Lakeside Memorial Lawn is the wrong place for an industrial incinerator.

4.) Upgrade the existing facilities to capitalize on a business opportunity that has proven successful for the applicant elsewhere in California.

Mr. Semenyuk states he wants to "upgrade existing facilities". Mr. Semenyuk stated he was
going to "use an existing metal shed" to install the HCT-250 industrial incinerator and 10X15 foot walk-in chiller. This is an old shed. It is my estimation that the shed in question is at least 25 years old. It doesn't make sense to me to place machinery, maybe worth 100K, in an old metal shed. They recently built a 25x25 foot metal shed next to the old shed. It is a matter of time before Mr. Semenyuk requests to remove the old shed, build another bigger and better structure, and move the equipment to the new metal shed with possibly another incinerator.

5.) "Capitalize on a business opportunity"

That says it all. It's all about the money.

Zero regard to the residents of the Preserve Neighborhood, to their health, safety, quality of life, and the ability to thrive.

Zero regard to the Historic Value of the area.

According to "Folsom Historic Commision District Staff Report" dated 01-15-2003:

"Lakeside Memorial Lawn is actually a conglomeration of Citizen, Jewish, Masonic, Negro Bar, Cook's/American Legion, and Odd Fellows Cemeteries that date back to the 1850's. Adjacent to this site is the China Mission-Chung Wah Cemetery, a national registered historic site. These cemetery sites along with the neighboring California State Dredger Tailing Preserve, create a combination, in itself, is a extremely unique resource, according to the Commissioners of the Sacramento County HISTorical Cemetery Commission."

The Caring Service Group on their website states;

"Caring Service Group was established in 2010 with the primary goal of purchasing Funeral Home Business".

It's just about business, money, and expansion. It's not about local cremations, there are 18 crematories within 18 miles. It's not about providing a service for religious or cultural customs, there is a facility 5.2 miles away. It's not about growing populations.

It's to, "CAPITALIZE ON A BUSINESS OPPORTUNITY" with zero regard toward the community.

No to the industrial incinerator.

Thank you for your time,

Nicole Gates
To whom it may concern,

These are letters from my children regarding their concerns for the proposed crematorium:
Thank you,

Evelyn Gates (7yrs) and
Jackson Gates (9yrs)

Sent from my iPhone
Please keep my air clean

Asthma

Age 7

By: Evelyn
I do not want to ride my bike when there is bad air.

Jackson Gates, age 9
young wo circle Folsom
January 11, 2022

Josh Kinkade, Associate Planner
City of Folsom
Community Development Department

RE: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium CUP and IS/MND
Planning No. P-19-182

Words matter....and calling a crematorium 'safe' is misleading. Peter Hartwick of Peter Hartwick Combustion Technologies claims their crematoriums use less fuel, lower Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) emissions, and are compliant with NFPA and air quality standards. "Low NOx emissions"? Any NOx molecules during exposure to UV rays in sunlight and heat, interact with volatile organic compounds and form a serious ground level pollutant....and in the presence of rain...acid rain. There is strong evidence that NOx respiratory exposure can trigger and exacerbate existing asthma symptoms, and can even lead to the development of asthma over a longer period of time. These toxins can irritate the lungs of healthy people! And what about those with existing medical conditions such as asthma or heart disease?

In a study by the EPA, from only one crematory in Southern California, they found Carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, Particulate Matter (PM10), (PM2.5), mercury and other heavy metals like cadmium, lead, and nickel. Known carcinogens like dioxins and furans and even hydrogen chloride. Mercury is colorless and odorless, and there is no agreement about the safe level of it. Some say no level is safe. Mercury can be present in dental fillings (mostly from baby-boomer days) and medical devices of bodies that are cremated and is most dangerous when heated. Crematories are required to remove these things beforehand, but the materials become biohazard waste and so most won't bother. Who would know?

Without information of how often a crematory is working, how does one say it "meets air quality standards". Igor Semenyuk, Chief Operations Officer of Miller Funeral Home (which also owns and operates Lakeside Memorial Lawn) says they may be cremating 2-3 per day, and then claims 7 a week. Which is it? I noticed in his addendum to the proposal he has already increased the daily rate from 400 lbs to 800 lbs a day of human remains. Does that mean more per day? As the demand for cremations increase, so will the need for more working days. Once in operation, whose to know? Who regulates that? NO one!

Because of a successful lobbying effort to declassify crematories as solid waste incinerators, the EPA does not regulate solid-waste incinerators category pertaining to the funeral industry. States that regulate air quality standards don't require testing for specific toxins that are released during cremation. I understand that the California Air Resources does an annual inspection, but what and how do they test? What about the 364 days in between?
Additionally, besides air health, propane will be used at this proposed site in Folsom, meaning more truck traffic through our neighborhoods and although NFPA compliant, crematories aren't required to report workplace accidents to OSHA. So a mishap occurs and nothing has to be reported, unless of course it is catastrophic...then we would all know!  THIS IS AN OPEN SPACE AND RESIDENTIAL AREA...WHAT A CATASTROPHE IT WOULD BE!

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Pam Ceccarelli,
Fong St.
Folsom, CA
January 17, 2022

Folsom City Officials

RE: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium CUP and IS/MND Planning No. P-19-182

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I don't have a problem with crematories, but like an airport, it should be in a designated business district away from a fully occupied community of families, schools, and animals. The Preserve Neighborhood has about 111 households sharing the
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Pam Ceccarelli,
Fong St.
Folsom, CA
916

February 1, 2022

To: The Historic District Commissioners
Chairman Kathleen Cole, Vice Chairman Mickey Ankheli, Commissioners, Mark Dascallos, John Felts, John Lane, Justin Raithel and Daniel West
Josh Kinkade
Pam Johns
Elaine Andersen
Folsom City Council Members:
Mayor Kerri Howell, Vice Mayor Rosario Rodriguez, Council Members, Sarah Aquino, YK Chalamcherla, and Mike Kozlowski

I am writing in response to public comments on the application for a Crematorium to be installed at the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery in Historic Folsom. While the Helix report focuses on the Environmental scope, our neighbors hope you will see the human impacts and aspects of this proposal. In his scope of Work- Installing a Crematory document, Mr. Semenyuk, the applicant, stated that Caring Services Group has eight Mortuaries and four Crematoriums. All four crematories are located inside the funeral homes per Mr. Semenyuk. Yet in historic Folsom, he is asking to operate a crematorium in a metal shed fueled by above ground propane tanks. I am surprised that The City of Folsom does not not have standards that would prohibit such an undefined concept. I also find it distasteful that remains would be stored in a cooler in the shed.

Aesthetics: Both sheds are visible from Natoma Street and Forrest Street even without the roof exhaust stack installed. People visiting their deceased loved ones situated behind the shed also can see the crematorium. This is not peaceful nor esthetically pleasant...I feel the initial study and mitigated negative declaration minimizes and/or fails to recognize the negative effects on very many people. The Lakeside Memorial Lawn Cemetery is designated as a historic cemetery. It is old, well landscaped and is a peaceful and interesting place to visit. The Chung Wah Chinese Historical Cemetery, very close by, is listed on the National Historic Register. The California State Dredger Tailings Preserve, located next to the sheds, is in itself historic and unique. These sites should not be altered by installing a crematorium. The current open space zoning is appropriate for this site and I ask you to not change it in order to operate a crematorium. Our city has a lovely historic district, I ask you to protect it's historic features as well as protecting the people living in the surrounding area.

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Fire impact: This devastating impact has been minimized. The City of Folsom Community Wildfire Protection Plan clearly outlines the fire danger in this area. The city also declared a Fire danger emergency last year. It concerns me that this much propane will be in constant use at high
temperatures so close to a populated area and major roadway. This area would not be easy to evacuate in an emergency. I would encourage you to read the wildfire report if you are not familiar with it. Why would the city agree to place 500 pounds of propane that would be used at high temperatures, five days a week, for 90 minutes to 2 hours for each cremation in a complicated environment that effects so many people? I noticed in the section on geology and soils, the mention of seismic activity. C). Be located on a geologic unit or soil that is unstable or that would become unstable as a result of the project, and potentially result in on-or off site landslide, lateral spreading, subsidence, liquefaction or collapse. Another reason above ground propane is very concerning at this location.

There needs to be an emergency evacuation plan in existence for the neighborhood. An illegal fire at the Lake would prove difficult to access for fire engines and a fire could spread quickly endangering homes and the propane tanks. While an argument might be made that there are many large propane tanks in use in the city, I would say, they are not burning at high temperatures at a constant rate. The crematory would use 9,835.9 gallons of propane a year.

Air Quality is very concerning for people like myself with respiratory problems. Sure the air days affect my asthma and I need to stay indoors. The proposed crematorium location close to residences and recreation can certainly effect our quality of life. The report refers to The Preserve/ Lake Natoma Shores neighborhood as small, however there are 118 homes here. It also lists the distance to all the nearby schools but does not seem to be concerned with the exposure of the children who live here. I wish I were more versed on CEQA, but I feel that people more qualified than myself can address those concerns as well as cultural resources and air quality.

I have some observations regarding the Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration dated Jan. 2022.

Future growth of the city of Folsom: Project objectives: prepare for an increase in the demand for cremation services as cremations become more popular in California and as Folsom’s population grows. This concerns me. The report examines what the needs would be at 500 cremations per year. What’s to say the need doubles as do the impacts. Because of the problems noted in my letter regarding the impacts on the neighborhood, I ask you to look ahead and consider this as you make your decision.

Page 6: I am concerned about the drainage into Lake Natoma. I assume the machinery is routinely cleaned however, I don’t see any mention of maintenance procedures. Since no sewer line is being planned, what happens to residue, dust etc?

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Section: 7.0. Environmental Factor’s Potentially Affected. Items not checked: Aesthetics, Biological, Recreation and Wildfire. I feel they are affected.

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Mr. Semenyuk: There are several large cultural communities residing and moving to Folsom. Regretfully, we do not have the ability nor the capability to serve the Sikh, Hindu, Buddhist or other cremation based cultures as they require an on site crematory so that they can exercise their funeral rights and customs. (witness cremation)

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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3 Sutter St.
Folsom, Ca. 95630
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Sutter St. Folsom, Ca
From: Daron Bracht <daronbr@pacbell.net>
Sent: Tuesday, March 2, 2021 11:13 AM
To: Josh Kinkade; Steven Banks
Subject: Fwd: Crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery

------- Forwarded Message -------

Subject: Crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery
Date: Mon, 21 Dec 2020 17:25:21 -0800
From: Patricia Binley
To: daronbr@pacbell.net
CC: Patricia Binley

To: Daron Bracht
   Chairman Folsom Historic District Commission

Dear Daron,
I am writing to you because I have learned that an application has been made to the city for a Crematorium at the Lakeside Cemetery. I understand the planning is close to completion and will be presented to the Historic District Commission soon.
I reside in The Preserve/ Lake Natoma Shores development in which some homes are located on Forrest St. across from the cemetery. Other properties back up to the cemetery from Young Wo Circle. I am concerned that many of our residents do not know of the plans that are taking place. To my knowledge we have not have had any word from the city nor the developer regarding the proposal. This is compounded by the problem that we are not able to gather or meet in order to have some discussions and share information.
Speaking for myself, I have some concerns I’d like to share. I believe the cemetery is zoned open space and I wonder if a crematorium would be an allowable use for this property. Is this why the applicant is asking for a conditional use permit? It also seems unsuitable to have this type of facility adjacent to a heavily used recreational area (bike trail and Lake Natoma) and a residential neighborhood. I have questions regarding how it would be regulated if it were passed, as far as the actual amount of cremations taking place (not estimated) and safety with large amounts of propane on the property. I also am concerned with air quality regulating as we often have bad air days. I have asthma and am affected by bad air days & smoke. I also wondered if state parks have been consulted due to their property being next to the proposed area. I would be interested in their input.
I hope you can share my concerns with other commission members. I would hope if a crematorium is built in Folsom, it would be in an industrial or commercial area, not by state park land where people are recreating or living. Thank you,

Sincerely

Pat Binley    Sutter St. Folsom, Ca.
SUBJECT: Lakeside Cemetery Crematorium, FILE #:19-182

I am asking for your consideration to **reject the conditional use permit** requested by the owners of Lakeside Cemetery for the addition of a crematorium.

To be very clear, I am **not** opposed to a crematorium in Folsom.

In Summary, I believe the crematorium is not a conducive use for a historic cemetery on open spaced-zoned property. A crematorium would be better suited to be operated on a commercial or industrial area. Additionally, **this is planned to be an active business with hazardous gases directly adjacent to a housing development, walking trail, historical area, and nature preserve.**

This crematorium development was **rejected** by the City in 2002. It was a good rejection then and is good now.

Below are more details about the concerns.

1. This is a for-profit private commercial business. The crematorium will require significant infrastructure and will have consistent and growing usage. It is better suited in a commercial or industrial zoned area. (As noted in the presentation for the Zoning code changes, consistency is a key to why the Zoning code is used)
   a. Based on wording in the request, cremations would potentially occur at a rate of 4 per day, 5 days per week, 52 weeks per year.
   b. This would be an increase of over 2000 more car trips of employees, customers and deliveries per year.
c. Also required are the consistent and numerous propane deliveries for this enterprise. Given the outline of the process and the forecasted demand, large quantities of propane will be needed. This is a huge business, a factory, impacting an open space-zoned property that is next to other low impact and nature areas.

2. In Section 17.52.550* see below, crematoriums are not a listed use. It is at item #8 that you will determine if a crematorium is similar and compatible. Using the list in this section, other than being in a Cemetery, a crematorium is neither similar nor compatible. This business would be a consistent, daily, private commercial business using sophisticated equipment, stored propane, and very high temperatures. That does not align with the rest of the list that is much lower in activity and sophistication.

3. By allowing this crematorium to be moved to a commercial or industrial site, it will also move the increase in traffic so as to not impact the Historic District, as this is another issue of concern to the District.

4. Based on the Scope of Work document that was submitted, there is no sewer capability planned and there is no bathroom in the design document. Building this crematorium in the manner presented would be a significant development for an open spaced-zoned property. This project would continue to have a large developing impact on the property and the historic district.

5. The applicant notes in the “Our Proposition” portion of the Scope of work that it is a “…strategic placement. It is removed from any residences, parks, or schools.” This statement is incorrect. It is surrounded on two sides by park or open space. It is in an open space-zoned property and is next to a housing development. Their Proposition is not correct at a minimum and incredulous to most.

6. By allowing this to be built at a commercial or industrial property, the utilities for propane gas, electrical, and sewer are installed and are consistent in capability to that setting.

7. The Historic District is unique in our city as there is a mix of residential and business. At its basic level, that requires a mix of quality-of-life considerations of the residents and commerce for the businesses. With all of the impacting issues noted above for our district, it is much more important to weigh the quality-of-life issues of the residents given this proposal is so out of character for an open space area.

8. This issue was brought before the City 18 years ago and received a non-approval from the City Staff. PN02-258 is the City’s report for it. It was then withdrawn by the applicant.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.
* 17.52.550 Open space/public primary area special use and design standards.
A. Permitted Uses. When proposed by a public entity, the following uses are permitted; submittal to the historic district commission for courtesy review and comment is requested. When proposed by a private entity, a conditional use permit is required. If, in the opinion of the planning, inspections and permitting director, public or private status of the proposing entity is not clear, the historic district commission shall make a finding on the need for a conditional use permit.

1. Natural open space, including management activities necessary for conservation and safety.
2. Improved open space, including active and passive park and trail uses.
3. Transportation corridors.
5. Public schools, including administrative facilities.
6. Small-scale public utility structures.
7. Residential uses accessory to a public use.
8. Other public uses which are, in the opinion of the historic district commission, similar to permitted uses and compatible with surrounding uses.

In summary, please reject the Lakeside Cemetery Crematorium conditional use permit, FILE# 19-182.
July 9, 2021

Kelly Mullett
Folsom Planning Commission
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

SUBJECT: PENDING DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION FOR LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN CREMATORIUM

Dear Kelly -

I’m writing to express my concern for the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium project, I strongly object to approval and ask the Planning Commission to stop this project at first opportunity.

I have read the Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration and have also conducted my own research regarding Crematorium facilities sited adjacent to residential communities.

This project is a bad idea for the city and for residents in the immediate affected area, such as the “The closest existing sensitive receptors to the project site are multiple single-family residences adjacent to the cemetery to the north, between 450 and 750 feet from the proposed crematory location” – page 22.

My main concerns are:

1. Potential Toxic Air Contaminants (page 21 of the study)
2. Sensitive Receptors (page 22 of the study)
3. My research also highlighted problems in communities across the US similar to this proposed residential setting, citing objectionable odors and harmful effects from toxic air contaminants for susceptible adults, children and the elderly.

I have a technical background and understand how “ideal” operating specifications are developed and advertised by equipment manufacturers, such as the Hartwick Combustion HCT Apex-250 crematory. These “specifications” rely on ongoing optimal operating and maintenance calibration procedures. Maintenance lapses, operator error, and prevailing weather issues like unhealthy air days, for instance, provide unwelcome downstream impacts.

I love our Folsom community and cherish our “Distinctive by Nature” motto. Placing a Crematorium within 450 feet from the “The Preserve” residential neighborhood and adjacent the parklands and Lake Natoma is a very bad idea.

Sincerely,

Peter Lucyga
City of Folsom Historic District Commission

RE: Lakeside Memorial Crematorium Project
1201 Forrest Street / 070-0260-001-0000
Planning No: PN-19-182

Commissioners,

I write to you as a concerned user of the Forrest Street neighborhood recreational opportunities and as an avid amateur historian. As you are aware, the Forrest Street and adjoining Folsom Blvd area is replete with valuable historical sites. These include the historical Chinese Cemetery preserved by the California State Park system, the Southern Pacific Superintendent’s home on Oakdale St and adjacent future railroad museum, the Murer House and Education Center on Joe Murer Ct, the historic rock tailing piles located adjacent to the project location, a historic cemetery on Natomas Street, and the route of the historic Lincoln Highway along Folsom Blvd. In addition, the project abuts the Nimbus Flat State Recreation Area which includes miles of trails and recreation opportunities.

The Lakeside Memorial Crematorium Project presents several concerns:

- The location of an industrial crematorium in the Forrest Street neighborhood would be a non-conforming use under the City of Folsom zoning of Open Space/Public Primary Area and the underlying zoning of Open Space and Conservation.

- The location of an industrial crematorium in the Forrest Street neighborhood would be a non-conforming use under the Folsom City General Plan of Open Space.

- The placement of an industrial crematorium in the Forrest Street / Folsom Blvd area would be in conflict with the residential, recreational, and historic uses of the surrounding area.
• The CEQA Mitigated Negative Declaration filed for this project is deficient with regard to the air quality data. The Declaration relies on weather data from the Sacramento Executive Airport which is located over 15 miles away. The Executive Airport lies in a separate climatic zone from the City of Folsom and is affected by Delta breezes and different wind patterns. The City of Folsom is located against the base of the Sierra Foothills and suffers stagnant air patterns particularly during the summer months. These stagnant air patterns will cause the industrial pollutants to linger in the project area affecting the adjoining residential, recreational, and historical sites.

I am asking the Commission to deny the Lakeside Memorial Crematorium Project as a non-conforming use in an area of abundant historical and recreational sites.

Thank you for your attention to this matter,

Randolph Peshon
Placerville Ca
Hello,

I live in the Lake Natoma Shores neighborhood where there is talk of a proposed Crematorium at The Lakeside Memorial Cemetery.

Our neighborhood is quite unique in many ways. A lot of families live here, it’s the only housing community on this side of Folsom Boulevard, and also the only community that is on Lake Natoma. Our housing development is located in the canyon across from the bluffs of Lake Natoma.

The Kikkoman plant is located a mile away. A couple times a week we can smell the soy beans roasting. If we drive by the plant we don’t see any smoke. Even though there isn’t any smoke, the smell lingers in our neighborhood getting trapped by The Schultz Eddy phenomenon. This causes the wind pattern to shift southward, blowing air pollutants back into the SVAB (Sacramento Valley Air Basin). This phenomenon exacerbates the concentration of air pollutant emissions in the air basin and contributes to violations of the ambient air quality standards. Living in the canyon under the bluff keeps the air stagnant.

The Caring Services Group (Miller Funeral Home) says there won’t be any smoke and only heat waves from their industrial furnace. However, who’s to say the smell and carcinogens from the furnace won’t stagnate in the air from the bluffs just like the Kikkoman smell. The smell of roasting soybeans and the smell of burning flesh are two different things. This would also effect kayakers, paddle boarders, bicyclists, walkers, and birdwatchers in the State Park area which butts right up against the crematorium. How’s that for trying to enjoy nature? I thought we were “Distinctive by Nature”.

During the 1/11/22 city council meeting there was much concern for the preservation of the oak trees with the south of Hwy 50 development. I hope the Commission gives the Historic District, open space, and residents of The Preserves/Lake Natoma Shores community as much time, concern, and thoughtfulness as the oak trees received.

If one wanted to be environmentally conscience we would be considering Aquamation to cremation. If the population and need for after death services continues to grow we should be installing eco-friendly alternatives. We shouldn’t be considering an old shed to save money. If Aquamation is good enough for Bishop Desmond Tutu, it’s good for
us!

This crematorium has to be stopped in its tracks. I'm truly concerned for my family, neighbors, and Folsom residents.

Thanks,

Sean Gates
Hello,

I am reaching out because I am extremely concerned about the proposal to build a crematorium at the Lakeside Cemetery...

My wife Nicole and I belong to the Historic Folsom Residents Association, and the area we live in means a lot to us.

We have two children (ages 9 and 7), and in researching online the impact of crematorium use, large amounts of mercury get released into the air, along with various other particulate matter.

I can't have my family living next to this type of threat to our health, and there are several other families who live in our area, along with those who are a bit older and more susceptible to health issues.

It doesn't make any sense to me that a crematorium would be located in a residential area that is experiencing and will continue to experience an increase in population density. Crematorium use also appears to be on the rise recently as well.
Can we please instead have this crematorium located in a more industrial area, that is not located in such a densely populated location?

-Sean Gates
February 4, 2022

Josh Kinkade, Associate Planner  
City of Folsom  
Community Development Department  
50 Natoma Street  
Folsom, CA 95630  
jkinkade@folsom.ca.us

Subject: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium / MND / 2022010039

Dear Mr. Banks:

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We have no comments to offer at this time but would appreciate if the City of Folsom would continue to keep SMUD facilities in mind as environmental review of the Project moves forward. Please reroute the Project analysis for SMUD’s review if there are any changes to the scope of the Project.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please do not hesitate to contact me at 916.732.7466, or by email at Ammon.Rice@smud.org.

Sincerely,

Ammon Rice  
Environmental Services Supervisor  
Sacramento Municipal Utility District  
6201 S Street  
Sacramento, CA 95817

cc: Entitlements
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cc: Entitlements
Steve Wetzel  
Young Wo Circle  
Folsom, CA 95630  

February 6, 2022  

City of Folsom Historic District Commission.  
RE: opposition to the proposed Lakeside Memorial Cemetery crematorium.  

Dear Planning Commissioners;  

I am a resident living next to the Lakeside Memorial Cemetery where the owner wants to add a crematorium.  

I am writing to ask you, as Planning Commission, to act to protect residents from a business requesting to change the business from burial to cremation and in doing so will add a new revenue stream and increase profits. The business has spent an amount of money considered significant to any one resident to write up a proposal that supports the business’ desire to add to their revenue and profits.  

The Planning Commission needs to act in a way to level the playing field and to stand up for our Residents, young and old. The residents do not have the financial resources available to the business, to defend our position with lawyers and agencies to write counter-proposals. We have our voices and have done our best to communicate our positions.  

A crematorium should not be allowed to be added to a residential neighborhood. It should only be allowed to be added to a industrial or business area, such as a warehouse or non-retail area.  

I personally do not understand how creating a new revenue stream for a business could outweigh the request for residents to maintain our existing lifestyle without pollutants (mercury for one), or odors, or smoke, added to the air we breathe every day of our lives. The residents should not have to be exposed to the odor, smoke, or pollutants, from a crematorium just so this business owner can increase his profits. Dead bodies come with implants and joint replacements, along with personal items the family wants burned with the bodies. All these along with the body and the box will create odors and pollutants regardless of what the owner may have paid for to be written up in his proposal.  

Please do the right thing and use common sense. If all you can do is act according to reports created by private consultants then I do not understand what purpose you, the Commission, serve other than to give a stamp of approval to businesses to do whatever they want regardless of the effect on nearby residents.
Please decline this business owner his request for a conditional permit. Please deny his request so that we can live in peace in our neighborhood without fear of having the little cemetery next door to start emitting odor, smoke, and pollutants from burning hundreds of cremations each month.

As you may or may not be aware, cremations account for about 50% of all deaths currently and it is expected to increase to 75%-80% in the next 10 years. This business owner wants in on that revenue. He should happily do it in another location and not in a residential neighborhood but in a business or warehouse area where he could easily make money. He is only proposing it in the little shack at Lakeside Memorial Cemetery because he will have larger profits using a cheap existing structure. There are many options to place a crematorium elsewhere, not adjacent to a residential neighborhood, and still make good profits. Please deny the business owner the ability to cremate at this location.

Thank you for reading my beliefs.

Steve Wetzel
Young Wo
Folsom, CA 95630
FYI

Kelly Mullett
Administrative Assistant

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--- Forwarded Message ---

Subject: proposed Crematorium
Date: Mon, 6 Sep 2021 19:14:30 +0000 (UTC)
From: Steve
To: danwestmit@yahoo.com <danwestmit@yahoo.com>, kevin.duewel@gmail.com <kevin.duewel@gmail.com>, daronbr@pacbell.net <daronbr@pacbell.net>

Hello Daniel West, Kevin Duewel, and Daron Bracht (Historic District Commissioners:);

I am writing you to register my protest to the Lakeside Cemetery requesting to put in a crematorium in the city of folsom - specifically the Lakeside cemetery along the Preserve neighborhood and State Parks open space recreation area also adjacent to Forrest Street.
I am writing you three as I believe Daniel and Kevin are on the Planning Commission and Daron on the Historic Preservation. Should I have sent it to all 7 on the Historic District Commission? I don't know how these things work but hope I can get this to the right people representing the city residents.

I don't believe or trust that a crematorium can be operated without putting pollutants into the air and affecting residents and the recreation area nearby. I don't care what the specifications are the Lakeside Cemetery provides you. The air emitted from burning a human being, clothing, chemicals injected into the dead body, and cardboard box will contain smoke, odor, and chemicals. From what I understand the USA does not require a crematorium to have filters that would remove all this. Additionally, if Lakeside says they would put them in voluntarily, I still don't trust the cemetery to do it because they are not "required" to put them in and therefore at the last minute can omit them.

Please join me in siding with the residents of Folsom and rejecting this request from the Lakeside Cemetery to put in a crematorium. And again, I would suggest you don't approve a crematorium any where in our city limits. A crematorium should be located in an area far from residents and is more suited for a warehouse area (like Rancho Cordova south of 50) than an area next to homes and recreation.

Thank you for reading my request.

Steve Wetzel
Folsom Resident
Sent from my T-Mobile 5G Device
Get Outlook for Android

From: SUSAN LUBIENS
Sent: Monday, September 6, 2021 7:54:26 PM
To: Scott Johnson <sjohnson@folsom.ca.us>
Subject: No Crematorium

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Stop the crematorium at Lakeside!

Susan Lubiens
Resident since 1971

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android
February 7, 2022

Historic District Commission
City of Folsom
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

RE: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Proposal (PN-19-182)
Hearing Date: February 16, 2022

Dear Commissioners:

The same crematorium proposal herein under consideration was advanced by Lakeside nearly 19 years ago as PN02-258 and scheduled for hearing before this Commission on January 15, 2003. However that hearing was canceled and did not go forward when applicant Lakeside withdrew the proposal, apparently in light of a Staff Report prepared by the City recommending the denial of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to operate a crematorium on the property. A copy of that Staff Report (with voluminous attachments) is attached as Exhibit “A.”

The findings advanced in the Staff Report as the basis for its recommendation of denial can be summarized as follows:

a. The use applied for is detrimental to the health, safety or general welfare of persons residing or working in the neighborhood, and detrimental or injurious to property and improvements in the neighborhood and the general welfare of the City because the introduction of this use will impact the historical character of the existing cemetery and historical use of the area.

b. The congregation of historic cemeteries, combined with the California State Dredger Tailings dating back to the 1850’s, create a rare combination of unique cultural resources that will be impacted by this proposal.

c. The use of the proposed project is not consistent with Goal 2 of the City’s Historic District Design and Development Guidelines in that it does not maintain the historic use of the site and, in addition, does not further Design and Development Guideline Policies 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3 in that:

1. The Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission has identified this site as locally significant and intends to present the Lakeside Cemetery to the Board of Supervisors for designation as a historic pioneer cemetery;
2. Approval of a CUP for a contemporary use that will jeopardize the eligibility status of the site would work to discourage, rather than encourage, national register nomination; and
3. According to the Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission, a crematorium is not a consistent use with a historic cemetery.

In summary, the CUP sought by the applicant in this instance is identical to the CUP sought back in early 2003, and the applicant has presented no facts to the contrary. The proposal for the issuance of a
CUP allowing the construction and operation of a crematorium in the historic area in question was a bad idea back in 2003 and remains a bad idea today. The factual basis and logic behind the 2003 Staff Report remain valid, and the current request for approval of a CUP for the proposed crematory should be denied for the reasons expressed therein. Such a resolution of this matter would be simple and straightforward and consistent with the City's advertised goal of promoting historic preservation.

In closing, one is left to wonder why the City fails to mention anywhere in its papers submitted on this matter the applicant's prior efforts nearly 19 years ago to obtain a CUP for a crematorium on the Lakeside property and the City's opposition thereto. Seemingly, full disclosure by the City of those facts should have been forthcoming. The citizenry of Folsom deserve no less.

Very truly yours,

Terry L. Sorensen

TS/dg

attachment: 2003 Staff Report PN02-258
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HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

PROJECT TITLE: Lakeside Cemetery Crematorium

PROPOSAL: Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the operation of crematorium

RECOMMENDATION: Denial

APPLICANT AND OWNER: Lorin Claney

LOCATION: 1201 Forrest Street

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO.: 070-0082-014, 070-0130-002, 070-0130-004

ATTACHED REFERENCE MATERIAL:
1. Vicinity Map
2. Site Plan, dated 12/19/97
3. Project Description and Crematorium Illustrations
4. Documentation from the Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission
5. Lakeside Cemetery Research Paper written by Sue Silver
6. Letters from the Public
7. Site Photographs

PROJECT PLANNER: Jane Talbot, Assistant Planner

BACKGROUND
The Planning Commission approved a Use Permit and Variance for Mausoleums at Lakeside Memorial Lawn in 1991 (PC91-042). An amendment to the approval was granted in 1995 (PC95-033). That approval allowed for the construction of twelve mausoleums. To date, one mausoleum has been built and one additional mausoleum is under construction. An existing maintenance building, approximately 975 square feet in area, is located along the south border of the cemetery. The front of the project site is mostly level with a slight to moderate downward slope towards the rear of the site. Lakeside Cemetery has a variety of mature deciduous and evergreen trees. The front of the cemetery, along Forrest Street, is bounded by a brick wall capped with wrought iron fencing.
The project site consists of three parcels totaling 10 acres within the Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District. It is located on the west side of Folsom Boulevard at 1201 Forrest Street. The property is bounded by the Chung Wah Cemetery and the American River Recreation Area to the west, single-family residences to the north, Forrest Street to the east, and mine tailings to the south. Across Forrest Street are single-family residences.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
The applicant is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to install and operate a crematorium at the existing Lakeside Cemetery at 1201 Forrest Street. The applicant proposes to install the cremation equipment inside an existing maintenance building as indicated on the attached site plan. The maintenance building is made of corrugated metal and currently is used for the storage of grounds maintenance equipment. The applicant proposes to install a 10-foot by 30-foot “Tuff Shed” adjacent to the existing maintenance building to store the displaced maintenance equipment. No new utilities are proposed to be connected to the shed.

GENERAL PLAN/ZONING CONFORMANCE
The General Plan land use designation for the project site is OS (Open Space). The zoning designation for the project site is OS/PB (Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District). The zoning district is consistent with the General Plan designation. Cemeteries are a permitted use within the OS/PB zoning upon approval of a Conditional Use Permit. The subject cemetery has been in operation since the 1800’s and is a permitted use. Crematoriums are not specifically addressed in the Folsom Municipal Code. Such uses that are not specifically addressed within the Folsom Municipal Code require the approval of a Conditional Use Permit.

LAND USE COMPATIBILITY/CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
When approving a Conditional Use Permit, the Historic District Commission must make a finding that a project’s impact on health, safety and welfare will not be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort and general welfare of a proposed use. Some of the comments received suggest that the proposed project may impact health, safety, and welfare. Without additional environmental studies, staff cannot support or refute any of these assertions (FMC 17.60). As staff is recommending denial, based upon the appropriateness of the land use, these necessary additional environmental studies have not been prepared. Should it be the Historic District Commission’s desire to proceed with this application, staff will commence with the additional environmental studies.

Historical Significance
Information provided to staff illustrates that Lakeside Cemetery is actually a conglomeration of several cemeteries that have merged over the years. This conglomeration includes the Citizen’s, Jewish, Masonic, Negro Bar, Cook’s/American Legion, and Odd Fellows cemeteries that date back to around 1850. Adjacent to this site is the Chung Wah Chinese Cemetery. These cemetery sites, along with the neighboring California State Dredger Tailings Preserve, create a combination of rare cultural resources grouped into one small area. This combination, in itself, is an extremely unique resource according to Commissioners with the Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission.
Goal 2 of the Design and Development Guidelines defines the City’s objective for the Preservation of Historic Sites as:

‘To maintain, restore, and reconstruct sites which represent the history of the Folsom area.’

The supporting policies indicate how the City can accomplish this goal. Policy 2.1 states that locally significant structures and sites should be identified and documented to facilitate their preservation or restoration. To date, Commissioners from Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission have identified this site as locally significant, and the Commissioners intend to present Lakeside Cemetery to the Sacramento Board of Supervisors for designation as an historic cemetery.

Policy 2.2 advocates that the City should encourage National Register nomination of historic buildings, as well as other historical designations by state or local agencies. Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for a contemporary land use (i.e., the crematorium) may jeopardize the eligibility status of the site and might work to discourage rather than to encourage National Register nomination.

Policy 2.3 explains the priorities with which the City should evaluate proposed projects. The preference should be given to authentic restoration of historical buildings and sites. Based on the information provided to staff by the Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission, a crematorium is not a consistent, or authentic, use with a historic cemetery. Therefore, staff has determined that the proposed project is not consistent with Policies 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and Goal 2 of the Design and Development Guidelines.

PUBLIC INPUT
The applicant held a community meeting to inform the public about this project on November 19, 2002. There was much public opposition to the project at that meeting. At the meeting, issues related to property values, air quality, traffic, and cultural resources were raised. During the public comment period, staff received comments from numerous individuals and organizations. (The written comments received are attached to this report.) The information received indicates that a crematorium is not a use that is consistent in historic cemeteries.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS
An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration were originally published on August 29, 2002. Staff received feedback regarding the Initial Study. A number of issues relating to the proposed use were raised including land use and planning, noise, air quality, hazardous materials, and cultural resources. As stated previously, staff has determined that the proposal is not compatible with the existing historical character of the cemetery, and staff is recommending denial of the request. According to the California Environmental Quality Act, “CEQA does not apply to projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves.” Should the Historic District Commission conclude that the proposal is compatible with the existing historic cemetery use, the Commission will need to direct staff to conduct further research on the issues raised on this project and return to the Commission with the appropriate environmental document.
STAFF RECOMMENDATION
Staff recommends denial of a Conditional Use Permit to operate a crematorium at an existing cemetery at 1201 Forrest Street in the Historic District, based on the following findings.

HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ACTION
MOVE TO DENY THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO OPERATE A CREMATORIUM AT AN EXISTING CEMETERY AT 1201 FORREST STREET IN THE HISTORIC DISTRICT.

FINDINGS FOR DENIAL

A. NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AT THE TIME AND IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND CITY CODE.

B. THE USE APPLIED FOR IS DETRIMENTAL TO THE HEALTH, SAFETY, OR GENERAL WELFARE OF PERSONS RESIDING OR WORKING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, AND DETRIMENTAL OR INJURIOUS TO PROPERTY AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE GENERAL WELFARE OF THE CITY BECAUSE THE INTRODUCTION OF THIS USE WILL IMPACT THE HISTORICAL CHARACTER OF THE EXISTING CEMETERY AND HISTORICAL USE OF THE AREA.

C. THE CONGLOMERATION OF HISTORIC CEMETERIES, COMBINED WITH THE CALIFORNIA STATE DREDGER TAILINGS DATING BACK TO THE 1850'S, CREATE A RARE COMBINATION OF UNIQUE CULTURAL RESOURCES THAT WILL BE IMPACTED BY THIS PROPOSAL.

D. THE USE OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT IS NOT CONSISTENT WITH GOAL 2 OF THE DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES IN THAT IT DOES NOT MAINTAIN THE HISTORIC USE OF THE SITE. IN ADDITION, THE PROJECT DOES NOT FURTHER DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINE POLICIES 2.1, 2.2, AND 2.3 IN THAT:

1. COMMISSIONERS FROM SACRAMENTO COUNTY HISTORIC CEMETERY COMMISSION HAVE IDENTIFIED THIS SITE AS LOCALLY SIGNIFICANT, AND COMMISSIONERS INTEND TO PRESENT LAKE SIDE CEMETERY TO THE SACRAMENTO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR DESIGNATION AS AN HISTORIC CEMETERY.

2. APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A CONTEMPORARY USE THAT WILL JEOPARDIZE THE ELIGIBILITY STATUS OF THE SITE WOULD WORK TO DISCOURAGE, RATHER THAN TO ENCOURAGE, NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION.

3. BASED ON A LETTER FROM JAMES A. PURCELL, CHAIRMAN OF THE SACRAMENTO COUNTY HISTORIC CEMETERY COMMISSION DATED JANUARY 2, 2003, A CREMATORIUM IS NOT A CONSISTENT USE WITH A HISTORIC CEMETERY.
Attachment 1

Vicinity Map
Attachment 2

Site Plan, dated 12/19/97
Existing Development

Lakeside Memorial Lawn

Folsom, California
Attachment 3

Project Description and Crematorium Illustrations
Form G101- General Information

1. **Equipment Location Drawing:**
   
   Attached

2. **Description of Equipment:**

   Manufacturer: Industrial Equipment & Engineering Co. dba All Crematory
   Model: 2500 Elite (identical to IEE Power-Pak II)
   Description: Multiple chamber, gas fired, 100 lb/hr burn rate cremator

3. **Description of Process:**

   The All Model 2500 Elite is designed to complete a typical cremation case in 2 hours. This time does not include the preheat of the secondary chamber, which is typically 1/2 hour or the cool-down period before the removal of the remains (1/2 hour). The cremator has a nominal burn rate of 100 lb/hr of remains and the associated containers, based on the entire cremation period. The cremator is a multiple chamber design and is fired with natural or LP gas as an auxiliary fuel. It is designed to be manually loaded in batches.

   Typically, the remains are loaded in the primary chamber and then the secondary chamber is preheated by the secondary burner for 30 minutes or until the required minimum temperature is reached. The primary burner is then ignited to begin the cremation cycle. A cool-down period of 30 minutes or more is recommended at the end of the cremation cycle before removing the cremated remains and loading the next batch of remains.

   The secondary chamber has a volume of 70 ft³. It has one secondary burner that is adjusted to a maximum high fire setting of 1.4 MM Btu/hr.

   The secondary chamber temperature is monitored by a digital controller which adjusts the gas flow to the secondary burner to maintain the desired temperature. The cremator performs best and is most fuel efficient with a secondary chamber temperature of 1400 to 1600 °F.

   The primary chamber volume has a volume of 69 ft³. It has one primary burner that is adjusted to a maximum of 0.6 MM Btu/hr. The chamber temperature ranges from 500 °F at the beginning of the first cremation of the day to 1600 °F or more during successive cremations.

   The opacity alarm monitor system automatically takes action to eliminate visible emissions. If the opacity of the flue gases exceeds number 1 on the Ringelmann scale the controls will make sure the secondary air supply (throat air) is on and also turn off the primary burner to slow down the burning rate.
The All Crematory Model 2500 Elite is identical to the IEE Power-Pak II. A Power-Pak II unit was installed at North Sacramento Funeral Home in 1995.

4. **Facility Description**:

Funeral home.

5. **Operating Schedule**:

Up to 10 hours per day; up to 7 days per week; 52 weeks per year. Maximum usage expected to be less than 2000 hours per year (800 cremations).

6. **Process Weight**:

The nominal burn rate is 100 lb/hr.

7. **Fuels and Burners Used**:

Fuel is natural gas. Usage is 2000 scf/hr max.

8. **Flow Diagram**

Attached.

9. **Equipment Drawings**

A, B  Attached.
C  Blower motor is 5 hp.
Attachment 4

Documentation from the
Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission
Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission
4800 Broadway, Suite 100
Sacramento CA 95820

City of Folsom Historic District Commission
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

Attn: Jane Talbot

Dear Ms Talbot:

The Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission is in receipt of your Notice of Public Hearing regarding PN 02-258 Conditional Use Permit and Mitigated Negative Declaration 1201 Forrest Street.

The commission is charged with the duty to encourage the preservation and designation of historical cemeteries. We are currently preparing a list of those cemeteries in Sacramento County, which should be considered historic. It is my opinion that Lakeview Cemetery will be one of the cemeteries in Sacramento County that will be on the list that is to be presented to the Board of Supervisors for designation as an historic cemetery.

While no official action has yet been taken by either The Cemetery Advisory Commission or The Board of Supervisors regarding Lakeview Cemetery we ask that you consider the above mentioned conditional use permit in the context of Lakeview's historic significance and endeavor to preserve its historic elements.

Sincerely,

James A. Purcell, Chairman
Cemetery Advisory Commission

Chair, James A. Purcell

Vice Chair, Dr. Robert La Perriere

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January 2, 2003

Ms. Jane Talbot
City of Folsom Planning, Inspections and Permitting Department
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

Dear Ms. Talbot:

The Sacramento County Board of Supervisors on June 12, 2001 approved Ordinance No. SCC-1193, which established the Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission (The Commission).

The purpose of the advisory commission is:

1. To advise the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors on citizen's concerns and issues related to cemeteries;
2. To provide recommendations to preserve, protect, and maintain cemeteries;
3. To make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors regarding mechanisms for funding the preservation, protection and maintenance of cemeteries and the appropriation of funds so raised; and
4. To encourage the preservation and designation of historical cemeteries.

With regard to number 4, above, and in reference to your request for comments on the proposal for a crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery, The Commission would like to submit the following:

The area incorporating Lakeside Cemetery, the Chung Wah Historic Cemetery, and the California State Dredging Tailings Park is possibly the only site in the State of California that combines these important aspects of our heritage in one small area. Lakeside Cemetery, in fact, may be a grouping of 19th century cemeteries, which would most likely fit the criteria currently being developed to define a historic cemetery. It is the opinion of The Commission that the addition of a crematorium on that site would have a negative impact on the historical significance of the area. It is believed that a crematorium could be placed in an industrial area within Folsom to avoid the impact on the history of our countywide community.

Chair, James A. Purcell  
Vice Chair, Dr. Robert La Perriere
Area residents have notified our Commission that they oppose the placement of the crematorium on the site.

Research that has been provided to our Commission indicates that there have been instances in which monuments, and copings have been moved or destroyed, plot maps of burial locations are misplaced and that legal questions exist regarding the ownership of portions of Lakeside Cemetery. Further degradation of the historic value of the cemetery by the addition of a crematorium would only serve to lessen its cultural importance to the City of Folsom and Sacramento County.

Please contact us if we can provide any other information or support.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

James A. Purcell, Chairman
Sacramento County Cemetery Advisory Commission

cc Historic District Commission
50 Natoma Street
Folsom CA 95630
Jane Talbot
Planning, Inspections and Permitting Department
City of Folsom
50 Natoma Street
Folsom CA 95630

Dear Jane:

In reference to your request for comments on the proposal for a crematorium at Lakeside Cemetery, I am happy to submit the following as an individual. I have been involved in cemetery preservation for almost 20 years.

I have great concern about the plans for a crematorium at Lakeside for the following reasons.

1) The area incorporating Lakeside Cemetery, the Historic Chung Wah Chinese Cemetery, and the California State Dredger Tailings Preserve is probably the only site in our State that combines these aspects of our heritage in one small area. To add a crematorium, with such limited acreage, it would not only be very close to all three of these sites, but would have an extremely negative impact on the setting, continuity, aesthetics, and historical significance of this area. The idea that State Parks may someday develop an instructional trail by or through the tailings preserve is a distinct reality. The view of activities at the presently proposed crematorium location would be clearly evident to visitors on the trail. A crematorium could be placed in many other areas, such as an industrial area, without the impact it would have on both these
historic sites and the residential neighborhood adjoining.

2) There are also non historic concerns. Because of the many recent reports of problems at crematories, more and more families are requesting to view the cremation process. The planned location, in a rather crude metal building, is certainly not a respectful or comforting setting for this.

3) I also have concern regarding the operation of a crematorium in a cemetery that has apparently been plagued by multiple and unfortunate problems over many decades. A local newspaper article about five decades ago stated there was no further space for burials in Folsom, yet burials have continued in Lakeside. There are many stories of copings, and possibly monuments, having been moved or destroyed, a lack of adequate plat maps in some areas, and even questions regarding the ownership of certain areas of Lakeside. The fact that SCI turned the cemetery back to its current owners might suggest that they encountered such concerns.

Lakeside Cemetery, as I am sure you are aware, is really a grouping of primarily 19th century cemeteries (Citizen’s, Jewish, Masonic and Odd Fellows, dates as early as 1850), all of which I consider historic. It would be extremely unfortunate if additional negative factors, such as the installation of a crematorium, further impacted these historic cemeteries...the final resting place of so many of our pioneers and early settlers who were responsible for creating the great region that we all live in and enjoy today.

Please contact me if I can provide any other information or support.

Sincerely,

Dr. Bob LaPerriere

cc: Historic District Commission
Attachment 5

Lakeside Cemetery Research Paper
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LAKESIDE CEMETERY
Folsom, Sacramento County, California

Also known as the
Negro Bar Mining Camp Cemetery,
Old Masonic Cemetery, New Masonic Cemetery,
Odd Fellows Cemetery, Cook's / American Legion Cemetery,
Citizens', Folsom City, and Folsom Cemetery
and
Folsom Jewish Cemetery

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WRITER'S PREFACE

This was not an easy study for me nor was there any joy in locating the information about those who were buried in the cemetery and can never be found again. I have lived through nightmares of the worst kind and have spent hours contemplating how I might help make what has happened to this cemetery understandable.

I have learned to live with the knowledge that I cannot correct the years of abuse this cemetery has suffered. I knew I could not live without telling its true story.

The research performed for this study was begun in late 1994 and was continued until December of 1997, and is not yet considered completed. In researching, I found that many years of death notices and obituaries will need to be located utilizing the Sacramento papers as many editions are not available from the local Folsom Telegraph during those early years. For the most part, I have supplemented the very earliest years, those which encompass information written at the time of the Negro Bar mining camp (1850 - 1856) through those first pivotal years of the birth of the Town of Folsom (1856 - 1868). It was mainly these years which so very much information was lacking.

The compiled listing which accompanies this study report, shows there are over 262 documented burials within this cemetery which cannot be located today. There are 18 burials of unknown persons which are located in unmarked and unknown grave sites. There are approximately 290 other probable unmarked and unknown graves located somewhere in the cemetery in areas which today appear to be virgin, vacant ground. Where any of these missing, unmarked and unknown graves are is anybody's guess. Lakeside Cemetery has no historic records of burials, per their own admission.
The study report and the compiled listing paint a portrait of an historic cemetery which has been raped, mutilated and desecrated by the very authority licensed by the State of California to operate and protect it. Part of the responsibility for what has occurred at Lakeside Cemetery also rests on the shoulders of the Board of Supervisors of Sacramento County, and the Folsom City Council. Each of these two civil authorities have, at different times, been the legal authority for the Citizen's Cemetery, in all its progressive configurations.

The private, licensed operators of Lakeside Cemetery do not have any legal title to the old Citizen's Cemetery, nor do they likely have a legal title to what is known as the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery. Lee Miller knew this and when he sold Lakeside Cemetery to Robert Claney in 1963, he sold only the New Masonic Cemetery and the Jewish Cemetery, believing he had legal title to that religious ground. The subsequent acquisitions of portions of the original Negro Bar (aka: Citizen's) Cemetery, the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery, and the 1904 addition (Lots 1 through 3 of Block 44) to the Citizen's Cemetery, were not legal transactions.

Further, under the ownership of Robert Claney, much of the cemetery ornamentation which has disappeared was wilfully and maliciously removed by he and his staff. Whatever the motivation or intent of doing so, it apparently was not enough that, under his ownership, Claney had all the lone, historic tombstones laid flat in the ground to crumble away over time, but he obviously was desperate for additional burial space, so that in removing family plot coping he was able to gain access to what he thought were "unused" grave plots.

The fact that the Department of Consumer Affairs, which investigated charges against the cemetery operators in 1996-97, was unable to obtain sufficient, hard evidence (according to our weak and ineffectual cemetery laws) to make felony arrests, does not preclude that felonies were committed at this cemetery. Not just once, but time and time again. And no one - not one resident of the city of Folsom, not one city official, not one law enforcement official - made any effort to stop the desecration which he wrought upon this historic burial ground.

What once may have been one of the most unique, historic, gold rush-era, pioneer cemeteries to be found in the lower foothills of the Mother Lode, is now just a lawn full of destroyed and decaying historic tombstones and monuments to the early residents of Negro Bar and the Town of Folsom and vicinity. The evidence of this is contained in the compiled listing with it's source references, and with the photographic evidence, taken over various years, which show a long-ago cemetery that bears no resemblance to the "nice, memorial lawn" disastrously created by Robert Claney and Lakeside Cemetery.

If the State of California will not act to help this pioneer-era burying ground, who may the people trust in another hundred years with the remains of their loved ones or themselves?

I think about that a great deal. Perhaps so should you.
INTRODUCTION

The City of Folsom, in Sacramento County, was incorporated in 1947. Prior to that, this historic California town was first the site of the Negro Bar mining camp from as early as 1849, later becoming the Town of Folsom, as surveyed and platted for Capt. Joseph L. Folsom by Theodore T. Judah in 1855.

In February 1856, the town of Folsom became the terminus of the Sacramento Valley Railroad, the first railroad in the west. Negro Bar, for the most part still in place until the purchase of the town lots and blocks, was located between the American River and what is now Block 12 of the official plat of the town.¹

At all early mining communities, the one sure thing that faced the men who flocked to the gold fields of California, was that death was a part of life. Gold rush-era cemeteries dot the roadways and byways of California's Mother Lode. Some are well known, but some have become lost to the past. The mining camp at Negro Bar, with its surrounding camps of Texas Hill, Alder Creek, Rebel Hill, Ashland, Mississippi Bar and others, would be no exception in the need to find a place to bury the dead.

Studies conducted by the El Dorado County Pioneer Cemeteries Commission, at pioneer-era cemeteries throughout the Mother Lode, reveal that, wherever possible, the miner's cemeteries were established on small hills or knolls. Out of the reach of the miners' pans and sluice boxes along the river banks, these early citizens of the state felt certain they were laying their dead to rest in peace.

Some communities succeeded to that end. Some did not. In 1855 the cemetery at Mormon Island, east of Folsom, was in danger of being sluiced away by three mining companies. It was written that some bodies had already been washed away. In March of 1856, the editor of The Granite Journal, the first newspaper in Folsom, advised friends and loved ones that they had best see to the removal of their deceased before they were mined away.

In other instances, special Acts of the California State Legislature were passed to approve the relocation of cemeteries. This is known to have occurred at the Bidwell's Bar Cemetery, the Cold Springs Cemetery in El Dorado County, and to a Catholic cemetery in Stockton.

California does, indeed, have an appalling history of its treatment of the resting places of the dead. In that no records of burials were kept at most, those cemeteries still in use today, which date to the state's earliest times, are known to contain the unmarked remains of the state's pioneers, the graves of which are being impacted by current burials.

At the original Negro Bar Cemetery, now considered a part of Lakeside Cemetery, there is but one tombstone dated 1850. Yet the camp was said to have been populated by up to 700 miners between 1849 and 1851. In the Fall of 1850, Sacramento City experienced a terrible Cholera epidemic.

¹ A copy of the townsites map may be found at the Folsom History Museum, the Sacramento County Recorder's Office, and the Sacramento Archives and Museum Collection Center (SAMCC).
which began in October and did not abate until sometime in December\(^2\). Over 800 deaths occurred in the city alone, and thousands fled to outlying areas. The tombstone dating to the Negro Bar Cemetery is that of one Cholera victim whom the 1850 U.S. Census enumerated as a miner at Negro Bar in September of that year. He was Henry Probasco and he died on October 29, 1850. His tombstone identifies his enemy - "Died of Cholera".

How many human remains of other early pioneers of this vicinity who died and were buried in this cemetery, may never be known for certain. Reviewing studies of other cemeteries of similar size and era\(^3\), reveals that there are many more marked graves of the earliest era within those cemeteries than there are remaining at Lakeside Cemetery today. Empirical evidence of this type is an indicator that there must be a large number of unmarked and unknown graves within Lakeside Cemetery which may now be being impacted by current burials. Based upon this correlation between towns of similar size and population, the lack of historic tombstones at Lakeside is, at best, unnerving.

BACKGROUND

While researching the history of Folsom, it became necessary to visit the cemeteries located in the city. Historic cemeteries are generally filled with old marble and granite tombstones inscribed with various dates and sayings, and they stand prominently within the grounds. At Lakeside Cemetery, the majority of the remaining historic tombstones were found to have been laid flat in the ground where they are disintegrating and being destroyed not only from natural elements, but from the abuse of being driven over by lawn mowers and tractors.

Additionally, in 1994, historic tombstones, and remnants of historic tombstones and granite bases, were found hidden in Oleander bushes by the cemetery's storage sheds. This discovery eventually led to the study of the cemetery from which this document resulted.

During the summer of 1995, there appeared to be an increased number of burials occurring at the cemetery. A check of Disposition Permits filed with the County Office of Vital Statistics\(^4\), proved

\(^2\) MEMORIES, MEN AND MEDICINE. A History of Medicine in Sacramento, California with Biographies of the Founders of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement and a few Contemporaries; J. Roy Jones, M.D.; The Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement, 1950; Premier Publications, Ltd., Sacramento, California

\(^3\) For example, a study of the 3.19 acre El Dorado Cemetery, in the town of El Dorado in El Dorado County, indicates the probability of over 500 unmarked graves, yet still it bears many more early markers than Lakeside.

\(^4\) A permit must be obtained for the interment and "disposition" of all human remains in the State of California. These permits, required by State law, are only required to be kept on file in the county's offices for a period of 12 months. Thereafter, they may be disposed. Sacramento County throws these documents away, and so it is impossible, without the name and date of death of the deceased, to verify interments in any cemetery.
that Lakeside Cemetery, through Miller Funeral Home, had not obtained as many disposition permits as the number of graves they had opened and closed in the ground that summer.

This discovery lead to the theory that they were perhaps "prospecting" to find vacant ground. And that theory lead to the realization that if they were seeking open ground and found historic remains, would they dare to remove those remains to cleanse the grave hole for future use? As ugly as this seems, it has happened all over California cemeteries and elsewhere.

A citizen complaint was filed with the State Cemetery Board in August of 1995. That Board, which disbanded in disgrace some thirty days after inspecting the cemetery in September, ruled that no improprieties had occurred at Lakeside. Sixty days after the Cemetery Board's duties were relinquished to the Division of Investigation of the Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA), the Board's director was under investigation of alleged misuse of trust funds from the Arlington/Bellview Cemetery in Sacramento County.

In late January of 1996, after the news of the investigation of the Board's director, a request was made to the director of the Department of Consumer Affairs that the department re-open the complaint and re-investigate the allegations made therein. In March 1996, a meeting was held with the new investigator for DCA which reviewed the facts and allegations of the complaint.

In late October and early November of 1996, the California Department of Consumer Affairs (DCA), in cooperation with the California Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), excavated and removed approximately thirty family plot coping pieces from State park land adjacent to the cemetery. It is believed they were removed by the cemetery operator between 1993 and 1995. Only one name was inscribed on any of the pieces of ornamentation found - KNIGHT. None of the other ornamentation or tombstone bases found were inscribed to enable us to identify from which dismantled family plot it had been removed.

During the course of the excavation many citizens came forward to say they had had suspicions about what was going on at the cemetery. No one wanted to be identified and no one gave much

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5 Color copies of photographs taken at the time of the excavation accompany this report. Video tape of some of the excavation is also available at the Folsom History Museum upon special request.

6 This piece of cut granite is believed to have been removed from the family plot of Henry T. Knight, an early trustee of the Natoma Water & Mining Company, and later the superintendent of the Folsom Water Power Company. His grave is located within the "Cook's/American Legion Cemetery" near the graves of many of the people with whom he was inter-related. The grave of his brother, Nathaniel Knight, is believed to be located near Henry's and is without marker today, unless his name may be found on the underside of Henry's marker which has now been laid flat in the ground.

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detail by way of particulars. Except, that is, the former caretaker of the cemetery, who spoke with one of the investigators while in his car in the parking lot. It is not known if the investigator included in his reports what he was told by the former caretaker that day, but it is known that DCA never followed up in discussions with him throughout the remainder of the investigation. What he had to say was pivotal to the investigation and would have enabled DCA to file criminal charges against the operators.

To the date of this report, no charges have been filed by either DCA for this illegal removal of these items from the cemetery, or by DPR for the dumping of them onto state lands. The owner/operator of the cemetery sold the cemetery and his mortuary to a large corporation within 8 months of this investigative excavation. The cemetery continues to be used with present interments occurring within the most historic sectors of the graveyard - those representing the burial grounds dating to 1850, 1860 and 1870. In all likelihood, historic graves are either being buried over or, very likely, those human remains were removed by the former operator.

This document is being published so that sometime, somewhere in the future, there will be a record of what has occurred at this cemetery. Those in search of their family histories, those who plan to inter their deceased loved ones at this cemetery in the future, need to know that this cemetery, as of this date, is estimated to contain 575 unmarked and unknown grave sites. In more specific terms, this number of graves represents 12,075 square feet of ground if buried side-by-side and end-to-end. It totals roughly 1/4 of an acre of land or more if they were all buried in the same location.

What appears as "open space" within the lawn section of this cemetery, does not mean that there are no graves in the ground. Photographs taken in 1889, 1908 and in the 1940's and 1960's bear this out, showing wooden headboards and other markers in areas now visible as vacant areas. Fires, which are documented to have swept through the cemetery, also took their toll on the wooden markers. The family plots containing the graves of members of numerous families which have been documented to be buried here, can no longer be found. Some of the markers which have been laid flat in the ground are believed to contain additional names of deceased on the unexposed sides of the monuments.

HISTORY OF CEMETERY SECTIONS

Lakeside Cemetery, is a combination of five historic burial grounds (Masonic, Odd Fellows, Jewish, Negro Bar [aka: Citizens'] and Cook's, and New Masonic), and has been actively used from as early as 1849 with the emergence of the mining camp called Negro Bar.

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7 Early photographs may be found at the Folsom History Museum and at the Sacramento Archive and Museum Collection Center (SAMCC) in the Hepting Collection (photos by Thomas Betz and Len Kidder, 1940's).
Negro Bar Cemetery

Of the various and separate sections, the Negro Bar Cemetery\(^8\) was the first location to be used. It was comprised of Lots 4 through 8 of Block 44 (Figure 1.). These lots were sold at the auction of the town lots and blocks in Sacramento City in 1856\(^9\). According to church records and the newspaper obituaries, these lots would later be referred to as the Folsom cemetery, the City Cemetery, and the Citizen's Cemetery, from as early as 1861 until at least 1942\(^{10}\).

According to California law, the "Citizen's Cemetery" was a public cemetery. That is to say, that in 1872, under Political Code section 3105, title to this cemetery vested to the County of Sacramento by benefit of the provisions of the statute, which stated title to a cemetery, then in continuous use by the community for a period of five years, vested to the community. If not located within an incorporated city, authority for the cemetery would fall to the county in which the cemetery was situated\(^{11}\).

Section 3105 further provided that once used as a public cemetery those lands could never be used for any other purpose whatsoever. Therefore, Lakeside Cemetery's claim of ownership of these lots is invalid, since title vested to Sacramento County in 1872, and they could never be used as anything but a public cemetery. Lakeside Cemetery is a licensed, private cemetery, operating an historic public cemetery outside the provisions of State law.

Lots 1 through 3 of Block 44 were owned by Joseph McDonald and his wife, Mary, during the 1860's. McDonald was killed in a railroad accident in December of 1867. According to his probate records, his property adjacent to the public cemetery, was never sold from the estate. This was probably because the "Citizen's Cemetery" had already encroached onto the lots owned by McDonald, and they were, therefore, not an attractive purchase for any buyer.

Graves within Lots 1 through 3, formerly belonging to McDonald, are known to have occurred as early as the 1920's. According to the County Tax Assessor's records, these lots were transferred to

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\(^8\) The Negro Bar Cemetery was originally located on Lots 4 through 8 of Block 44. It was later referred to as the Citizen's Cemetery contained within only those lots. It appears that sometime after 1880, what is now called "Cook's" or "American Legion" Cemetery (Lots 14 through 16 of Block 44), was also referred to as the Citizen's Cemetery. Sometime after the turn of the century, and well into the 1940's, Lots 1 through 3 of Block 44, also became known as a part of the Citizen's Cemetery.

\(^9\) No evidence has been found that the original purchaser ever transferred his title to the lots at anytime thereafter.

\(^10\) The Trinity Church records list a burial in the "Folsom Cemetery" in 1861. This would have been previous to the purchase of the Jewish cemetery lots in late 1861, and a year earlier than the purchase of the Odd Fellows and Masonic cemeteries in 1862. The Folsom Telegraph first advises of a burial in the "Citizen's cemetery" in 1887, and it continued to use that name as late as 1942. Previous to 1887, the paper referred to it only as "the grave yard."

\(^11\) This per Political Code section 3109 of the California statutes enacted in 1872.
the State of California in 1935, presumably for back property taxes. Lakeside Cemetery supposedly purchased these (already) used burial parcels from the Sacramento County Tax Collector in 1976. Yet, according to the former caretaker of Lakeside Cemetery in a 1992 audiotaped, tour given to members of the Folsom Historical Society, Lee Miller supposedly "opened" this area up for interments in the mid-1960's.

The sale of these lots by the County Tax Collector was not lawful in that the grounds had been used by the public as a public cemetery from at least the 1920's. Again, according to State law, once it had been used as a cemetery by the public, it became a public cemetery never to be used for any other purpose whatever. How this property came to be sold for taxes when cemeteries have been exempted from property taxation since 1859, is not known. What is known, upon review of the state's laws, is that these lots are public property which are being unlawfully operated as private cemetery grounds.

Cook's/American Legion Cemetery

Cook's Cemetery (Lots 14-16, Block 44) (Figure 2.) has been historically known by several references. It is believed it was first called Murray's Cemetery for William Murray who died in 1870. It was later called Meredith's Cemetery for James S. Meredith whose daughter Laura Belle was supposed to have been interred in the Masonic Cemetery and whose grave somehow was placed in Murray's Cemetery. Later it was referred to as the Blower Cemetery for David Blower, the husband of Maggie Cook Blower and brother-in-law of Frank Cook, for whom it was later called Cook's Cemetery. Shortly after World War I, Frank Cook (purportedly) deeded the cemetery over to the Lewis J. Blodgett American Legion Post, and it became known as the American Legion Cemetery.\(^\text{12}\)

Similar to the Citizen's Cemetery, this too is a public cemetery under the law. When William Murray died in 1870 and was buried in his "own cemetery," the ground began to be actively used by the community. No transfer of Murray's title has been located to date, though the county tax assessor does list James S. Meredith as owning an undivided 1/2 interest in the lots in 1873, one year after the enactment of the law which vested title to the public. It is likely the assessor listed Meredith since Meredith's daughter's grave is located within Lot 14. And, despite the Cook's claim of title to this cemetery, no deed has been located to prove the Cook family ever held legal title to the lots.

SPECIAL NOTE: Regarding Cook's, Citizen's, "City" and "Folsom" Cemetery References

\(^{12}\) FN dated 2/22/1999: The following newspaper article was located after the original writing of this report:

"Lewis J. Blodgett Post wishes to announce the transfer of Cook's Cemetery to the Post. The cemetery will now be known as Lewis J. Blodgett Memorial Cemetery and any person owning plots wishing to make changes, please consult Anthony Castro, service officer of the Post." (Folsom Telegraph, 5/26/1939, 1-3.)
This research has revealed that Lots 14 to 16 of Block 44, commonly referred to as Cook's/American Legion Cemetery, was also referred to as the Citizen's Cemetery, City Cemetery and Folsom Cemetery based upon the finding of tombstones of deceased of whom these various cemeteries were noted in obituary references.

This will create a great deal of confusion in determining the location of unmarked graves for they could all be anywhere within Lots 1 to 8 and 14 to 16 of Block 44. Because of these references, it is suspected that the residents of the area used Lots 14 to 16 of Block 44 at will, just as they did the Citizen's Cemetery. There was never any advertisement for plot sales found in the newspapers which would indicate that Murray, Meredith, Blower, or Cook ever really administered this cemetery. It is suspected that the community viewed it, and used it, as a public cemetery, just as they did with Citizen's Cemetery.

Citizen's Cemetery has been found to be referenced alternately over time as Citizen's, City or Folsom Cemetery. Because this was the public cemetery, during various points in time, the residents referred to it by the name used within that specific period of time.

The use of the term "City Cemetery" is especially confusing because the Sacramento City Cemetery is so heavily identified within the county. Almost always, in researching cemeteries located within townships, this term arises periodically. This has been found in places such as Diamond Springs and Placerville in El Dorado County. The people who lived in the towns (versus an incorporated city) still referred to their locales as a "city" and their cemeteries were, naturally, "City" cemeteries.

Jewish Cemetery

The Jewish Cemetery, originally lots 13 through 16 of Block 43 (Figure 3.), was purchased by Jewish merchant, Joseph Fiel, in late 1861. Title to the property was later held in the name of E.R. Levy, and finally rested in the hands of Simon Cohn. The title to these lots was never transferred from Cohn's estate, and his estate documents officially established it as the "Folsom Jewish Cemetery" and not as the "Cohn Family Jewish Cemetery" as it would have to have been called if the grounds belonged to the family personally.

Title to the Jewish Cemetery was held in these individual's names probably because the Hebrew Benevolent Society, established at Folsom in 1857, had formally disbanded by the time the property was purchased. Fiel was a cousin through marriage of E.R. Levy, and it would have been understandable for Levy to take title in trust for the Jewish residents of Folsom after Fiel's death. Cohn was one of the most prominent Jewish men in Folsom, and it would also be understandable for him to assume title in trust after Levy.13

13 A chain of title to locate the transfer of this property has not been performed. This information has been taken from the County Tax Assessor's map book information. It is not yet known if the deed formally passed from Fiel to Levy, or from Levy to Cohn.
In spite of the fact that title to the Folsom Jewish Cemetery never legally passed from Simon Cohn's estate to any individual or group of individuals, the descendants of Cohn quit claimed Lots 13 and 14 to Lakeside Cemetery in the 1960's, when Lakeside was then under the ownership of Lee Miller. That (illegal) quit claim deed, however, conditioned the transaction to the maintenance of a fence and road to segregate the Jewish cemetery ground from the cemeteries of the gentiles. The fence and roadway have both been removed since the execution of that deed.

Odd Fellows and Masonic Cemeteries

The Granite Lodge No. 62 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows (IOOF) and the Natoma Lodge No. 64 of the Free and Accepted Masons (Masons), co-jointly purchased lots 9 through 13 of Block 44 in 1862. The property was divided so that the Odd Fellows would use lots 9 through 11 for their cemetery and the Masons would use lots 12 and 13 for their organization's cemetery. The IOOF and the Masons each sold their cemeteries to Lakeside Cemetery in 1969 and 1970, respectively.

Interestingly, since Lots 4 through 8 of Block 44 had been identified to be a "Public Cemetery" by the County Tax Assessor as early as 1873, by 1911 or 1912, the assessor's records reflected that these lots belonged to the Odd Fellows. When or how the Odd Fellows may have laid claim to the public cemetery is not known. Nevertheless, when they sold their burial grounds to Lakeside Cemetery in 1969, these four previously identified public cemetery lots were included in the deed.

HISTORY OF FUNERAL HOME OPERATORS

In order to understand who was handling the burials within the cemetery throughout time, a review of the undertakers of Folsom is necessary. In the first few years of the Negro Bar mining camp, of course, we can assume that the miners took care of the burial of their associates and friends.

Generally speaking, this would entail wrapping the body in a blanket and depositing it into the ground. Lumber was scarce, there were few sawmills in operation in the beginning, and the cost of wood for a coffin was prohibitive. They would have much rather spent money on lumber for building sluice boxes and long toms to aid in their mining operations. Later, of course, as the cost of wood and lumber came down, the dead were buried in common pine boxes. The more affluent

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14 Lakeside at that time was comprised of only the New Masonic Cemetery located on what was supposed to be Lots 15 and 16 of Block 43, but which, in reality, was located within the 66 feet of Sacramento Street with only 44 feet of Block 16 being taken for actual use. It would appear that the residents, the Masons, and the Cohn Family (P.C. and Alice Cohn and Rosa (nee Cohn) and Nathan Kohn), forgot that the cemetery parcels were laid out on the original lots and blocks, containing streets and alleys separating them, at the time the Masons obtained the ground for the New Masonic Cemetery from the Cohn heirs.

15 Since title to Lots 4 through 8 of Block 44 vested to Sacramento County with the enactment of Political Code section 3105 of the California statutes, the transfer of this public cemetery to private ownership was unlawful. The Odd Fellows, having no true title to them, could not have legally sold them to Lakeside Cemetery.
the deceased was the more likelihood his coffin would have metal handles. The less influential person's coffin probably had rope handles.

As communities developed over time, it is seen by advertisements in the newspapers that undertaking was only a side business to one that brought a regular clientele. In Folsom, William Murray appears to be the first merchant to supply coffins and undertaking services. His furniture house advertisement found in the Folsom Telegraph of October 2, 1862, was dated August 1861. The advertisement, however, touted his furniture business, and said nothing of the furnishing of coffins or undertaking services.

In May of 1869, Murray sold his business to Jacob Miller of Sacramento. Miller’s first advertisement included, "(P.S. Undertaker and hearse furnished at reasonable rates.)" Miller's "Furniture House" was first located in the building on Sutter Street which was built by Murray and which still stands on the south side of Sutter Street between Riley and Wool streets bearing the name "MURRAY" on its edifice.

Thereafter, Jacob Miller attended the needs of the dead, providing both coffins and caskets and funeral services as well. He often served as the coroner for the eastern boundary of the county and was responsible for the burial of the unknown or indigent deceased in the vicinity. By the turn of the century, Miller's son Oscar, had gone to undertaking school (a trade his father is not known to have formally studied) and was active in the family business. Jacob died in 1905, leaving the business to his son, Oscar.

Oscar Miller continued the business until sometime in the early 1940's, at which time his son, Leland (Lee), also trained in the field of undertaking and embalming, had already joined the family enterprise. By this time, the only business being conducted by the Miller family was the funeral home. Oscar died in 1946, leaving the business to his son Lee and his wife, Elizabeth. Elizabeth died in 1954, leaving the business to Lee.

Approximately two years later, Lee saw the future in owning his own cemetery. Folsom Dam and Lake had recently been completed and the future of Folsom probably seemed brighter than it had in years. A recreational lake near the City of Folsom would draw new "settlers" to the area. Aerojet General was in operation and brought many new residents to the town. The cemeteries of the town were less than well kept, and Lee could see that it would need to be regularly attended and maintained.

This is when he obtained the New Masonic Lawn from the Natoma Lodge No. 64, which was struggling under financial constraints to maintain both its new and old cemetery sections. The transfer of ownership was made and Lee Miller formed Lakeside Memorial Lawn. Shortly thereafter, through his long association with Folsom Prison and his contract to undertake the deceased convicts, Lee persuaded a close associate and relative of the Cohn family to relinquish the Jewish Cemetery so that he could "better maintain it."

After much discussion, the family relented and quit claimed what they may have thought was their interest in the two lots comprising the Folsom Jewish Cemetery to Lee Miller. Miller, in turn,
incorporated the two lots into Lakeside Memorial Lawn, removed plot coping and ornamentation, and began to inter gentiles in the previously sacred, Jewish burial ground.

Miller sold Lakeside and the funeral home to Robert Claney, a long-time employee, in 1963. Thereafter, Claney proceeded to "upgrade" the cemetery to bring it more into conformance with the concept of the modern, "memorial lawn burial park." He bought the historic Odd Fellows Cemetery (unlawfully including Lots 4 through 8 of the public Citizen's Cemetery), and followed this purchase with obtaining the old, historic Masonic Cemetery.\textsuperscript{16}

As part of Claney's program to enhance the cemetery grounds, he began to lay the historic tombstone and monuments in the ground, supposedly for ease of maintenance. Later, this appears not to have been enough to modernize the grounds, and he appears to have removed tons of granite, placerite and formed concrete coping pieces from inalienable family plots. In doing so, he was able to remove the original boundary lines of family burying space and was then able to utilize whatever "open" space seemed available. According to the former caretaker of 22 years employment, he removed for Claney all of the oldest and most unsightly plot outlinings and coping\textsuperscript{17}, as well as tombstone bases and other ornamentation.\textsuperscript{18}

Robert Claney transferred ownership of the funeral home and cemetery to his son, Loren, and his daughter in early to mid-1995. It was under the ownership of his offspring that the Department of Consumer Affairs investigation began, and which continued until both the cemetery and funeral home were sold in mid-1997 to SCI, Inc., a conglomerate corporation specializing in the funeral and cemetery industries.

For the first time since 1869, Miller Funeral Home is no longer run as a family enterprise. Since taking ownership of Lakeside Cemetery, SCI has increased the number of interments within the

\textsuperscript{16} The Masons built a new hall for their organization around 1870. It soon, thereafter, was a victim of fire and was burned to the ground. All of the association's records and documents were lost, including the record of deaths and burials at their cemetery. The first documented burial in the Masonic Cemetery was that of Capt. A.M. Hammond who was murdered at Smith's Flat, El Dorado County, and was brought to Folsom and buried by the Natoma Lodge of Masons.[Mountain Democrat, April 13, 1861, pg. 3, col. 1; Sacramento Daily Union, April 12, 1861, pg. 3, col. 2]. Therefore, the Masons had used their cemetery even before the formal purchase in 1862. By 1871, with the loss of the records by fire, any number of interments could have been made in the cemetery. There appears to have been no attempt by the Lodge to recreate their records in those early years.

\textsuperscript{17} Photographs on file at the Folsom History Museum show many "unsightly" grave sites situated at the rear (north) of the cemetery. One photo is believed to have been taken viewing east from the Jewish Cemetery and shows crude brick outlined plots and wooden markers.

\textsuperscript{18} Most of what the caretaker removed is located in an old ravine situated at approximately the north end of what was Sacramento Street (New Masonic Cemetery section) and extends easterly behind the Negro Bar (aka: Citizen's) Cemetery section. Since mid-1995, Lakeside maintenance workers have been filling in this ravine to conceal the materials hidden there. (Also found in this ravine in January of 1995, were pieces of granite coping.)
historic sections of the cemetery grounds, even though the records of interments which they
received from the Claney family is known not to be accurate or anywhere near complete.

INTERMENT AND IDENTIFICATION LISTING (not included in 12/6/2002 update)

The attached listing was compiled using tombstone inventory lists previously published such as a
Death notices, obituaries and articles about deaths taken from the Folsom Telegraph (1865 - 1943),
Mountain Democrat (1855-1905, 1911-1913) and Sacramento Daily Union (1852-186819) newspapers were abstracted from microfilm copies on file at the State Library.

The records of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and Trinity Church were reviewed, as were El
Dorado County Burial Permits. Abstracts of death certificates from Sacramento County deaths20, a
record of the Deaths and Interments In and From the City of Sacramento (provided by the
Sacramento City Cemetery Archives), the New Masonic Cemetery21 Plot Sales records, and other
miscellaneous documents derived from various other sources, have also been reviewed for this
research.

Where necessary to identify familial relationships, the U.S. Census indexes and records for 1860,
1870 and 1880 have been referenced. A more complete record of families from census information
would provide additional information for this study, as would the creation of genealogical family
group records.

METHOD OF COMPILATION

The 1935 and 1981 tombstone inventory lists were first been combined alphabetically and, when
obituary information has been available about these persons, it has been referenced and added.
Newspaper source reference citations provide the newspaper title, the issue date, and the page and
column numbers of where the reference was found.

Where the names from obituaries did not appear in the previously published listings, the
information contained in the abstracted obituaries have been added to the list as separate entries.
Some of these entries cite specific locations of interment as stated in the obituary notice, such as

19 As research continues, additional abstracts may be taken from later issues of the Sacramento Union.

20 As abstracted by Dennis McCargar (1996-1998), Librarian at the California State Prison, Sacramento,
for his study of the historic Folsom Prison Cemetery.

21 The New Masonic Cemetery purchased in 1916, but was not platted until 1924. A copy of theplat
map was filed with the Sacramento County Recorder. A copy of the map, with some of the names
associated with the grave plots is available through the Lodge Historian. The plot sales register is archived
at the Folsom History Museum.
Citizen's, Cook's, Masonic, etc. The names provided by the obituary information that cite the location of burial and which cannot today be located at Lakeside, are indicative of the number of known and unmarked graves which exist at Lakeside Cemetery today.

Other entries represent those who died at or near Folsom and surrounding communities. These names have been added and are considered probable burials within one of the cemeteries at Folsom, other than St. John the Baptist Catholic Cemetery. Tombstone inventories for all known cemeteries of the area, have been referenced in order to eliminate the possibility of these burials having occurred elsewhere. The remains of the persons identified from these references, should be considered to probably be in unmarked and unknown graves.

The earliest marker (remaining) at Lakeside is dated 1850. Folsom Telegraph obituary information is not available on Folsom burials previous to 1865 as there are no copies available for referencing. Additionally, a total of 327 issues of the Telegraph are missing between the years 1865 and 1888. There is a great deal of information about Folsom burials which may never been known. From 1850 to 1865, and including the 327 missing issues, a total of 21 years of obituary information has not been recorded.

To supplement some of the missing Telegraph information, the Sacramento Transcript and the Sacramento Daily Union were referenced for the period of 1850 to 1868\textsuperscript{22}. Still, it would be an intelligent presumption to believe that there are far more unmarked graves located within these historic cemetery sections than is reflected in this listing.

The previously unrecorded names on the list do not include names determined to have been buried at the Catholic, Eagles, Knights of Pythias, Mormon Island or Matthew Kilgore cemeteries, all of which are the closest burials place to Folsom. All names which may have had the appearance of being Irish, or closely related to other known Catholic recognized surnames (such as French, Portuguese, German, etc.), have not been included on this listing. However, it is recognized that not all Irish surnames are representative of the Catholic religion, though it would be difficult to differentiate between Irish Catholics and Irish Protestant names. There are a vast number of deaths of persons with Irish surnames which have been recorded in my previous research, but which have not been included in this study.\textsuperscript{23}

It is important to note that there were no "Unknown" graves recorded in either the 1935 or 1981 listings, nor were there estimates given of the number of unknown graves visible at those times. There are also no wooden headboards or common stone markers such as are found in nearly all pioneer cemeteries in surrounding communities. More telling is the lack of temporary metal

\textsuperscript{22} While it is entirely possible that additional editions of the Sacramento newspapers will yield further death and obituary information not found in the Folsom Telegraph editions, they have not at this time been referenced or abstracted.

\textsuperscript{23} Refer to the report and study for the Historic St. John the Baptist Catholic Cemetery for abstracted deaths associated with suspected Catholic parishioners. It is possible that some of those included on St. John's listing were not Catholics and were buried at what is now Lakeside.

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markers anywhere within the grounds. This is highly unusual, for many other pioneer cemeteries contain these temporary markers even though the name and death information has long since disappeared from the face plate.

It should be noted that addendum listings have been produced from the main listing for names of deceased known to be interred in a specific cemetery (by reference), so that there is a separate listing for unmarked/unknown graves within Citizen's Cemetery, Cook's Cemetery, Old Masonic, and Odd Fellows cemeteries. No attempt has been made to identify interments within the New Masonic Cemetery, with the exception of including the Masonic Association's plot sales records.

LISTING LEGEND:

A first listing which was compiled in 1995, and included color coding with a legend that identified what each colored entry represented in terms of possible interments, previously recorded tombstones no longer found in the cemetery, interments from obituaries which cited specific locations but for which no tombstones were located, tombstones dated 1900 and prior, tombstones located and found on previous inventories, etc. This was found to be too confusing to follow in a listing of this size. (The original listing and all updated listings have been archived for back referencing.)

The new legend has been designed for simplicity.

**Bolded** entries now represent known interments based on the recordation from previous tombstone listings or from obituary information found in newspaper accounts which cite an actual location of burial (ie. Citizen's, Cook's, etc.)

**Underlined** entries now represent probable or possible interments. In cemetery studies conducted in El Dorado County over the last 20 months (from the date of this printing), it has been found that where one died and there was a cemetery, one was buried in that local cemetery. If one was taken to another community for burial, the newspaper would almost always provide that information. Transporting the deceased to another locale was an unusual occurrence, especially in the earliest years, and we must therefore presume that those who died in and near Folsom were probably buried in the Folsom cemeteries.

THE UNKNOWN, UNMARKED AND MISSING GRAVES

In reviewing the compiled listing, it is clear to see that many of the burials which occurred at the Folsom cemeteries are now either unknown, unmarked or missing when compared with the previous tombstone listings and references cited. Of those who cannot be located within the grounds today are many family groups, as well as individuals who died and were buried here.

Only one grave representing Folsom's African American residents is marked in the cemetery and that is the grave of James H. "Honey" Cook. All of the other graves of African Americans noted to
be buried or suspected of being buried at this cemetery, are unmarked. Odd that at a cemetery which was first used by the "Negro" Bar mining camp, that none of the pioneer citizens of that race are able to be located in this cemetery.

It is estimated that between 20 and 30 family plots of coping materials were removed in 1996 from the State park land adjacent to the cemetery. With the "dismantling" of the family plots and the plot coping, a cemetery operator may seek to take advantage of "unused" plots within legally inalienable plot space. The motivation for removal of the early family plots may also have been to "re-use" grave sites for current burials, since in digging the new graves, only the equipment operator would know whether an old grave pre-existed.

Regardless of the motivation, one fact remains - there are a great number of old, historic graves which are unmarked within the cemetery which have already been, or are in jeopardy of being, buried over through current burials. This is not only illegal, but immoral. A society, upon discovering such activity, which would allow such activity to continue, evidences itself as having the most frayed of moral fabric. If we cannot protect the dead, those who lie in sacred peace, who can?

The following 61 family plots or grave sites have been identified as either missing, significantly altered by dismantling, or as being in jeopardy:

**Adolph Alexander Family Plot**
1 unmarked

The brother-in-law of Simon Cohn, Alexander's tombstone stands to the northwest of the Simon Cohn grave site in the Jewish Cemetery. In February of 1867, Alexander's daughter, Esther, died at the age of 18 months. Her grave cannot be located today. It is not known whether Mrs. Bertha Alexander, Adolph's wife, was buried here.

**David Bennett Plot**
2 unmarked

Update, 5/1/1998: According to Karen Rader (see Tyler J. Hill Plot), David Bennett was the second husband of Mrs. Lucy Ann Saunders, Marion Caroline Saunders Hill's mother. Both were buried in the Folsom Masonic cemetery. David Bennett was a pioneer of El Dorado County and was an early vintner of the area just east of Marble Valley in the vicinity of present day Cameron Park. During his ownership of that ranch, Bennett would have been a contemporary of Benjamin N. Bugbey of the Natoma Vineyard near Mormon Island east of Folsom. Bugbey also had vineyard land near Bennett's vineyard off of present day Durock [sic Duroc] Road in Cameron Park.

**Charles Bishop Family Plot**
3 unmarked

Two of the children of Charles and Sarah C. Bishop were buried in Folsom. According to Trinity Church records, daughter Edith, who died in January of 1868, and son Freddie, who died in September of 1868, were buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. Charles Bishop died in July 1876.
and was brought to Folsom for burial. His interment would have been made with the graves of his deceased children in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Peter Bush Family Plot

Located within what is now called the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery section, is a granite coped plot with the name "BUSH" chiseled into the front facing of the step which leads into the plot. Interred within this plot are members of the Fleckenstein family, who arrived in Folsom much later than Peter Bush, who died in February of 1889. According to the 1880 U.S. Census index, Bush, a 50 year old native of Germany, had a wife and five children. Only Peter's death notice has been located. His grave is unmarked at the cemetery today and his plot has been alienated by the interment of the Fleckenstein family members.

Campbell Family Plot

There is no evidence of the graves of the four members of this early African American family who are known to have been interred at this cemetery. The first of the family to die was Amelia Campbell, the 16 year old daughter of Squire Campbell, who died in August of 1895. The next member was Toy Campbell, the daughter of Squire Campbell, and the sister of "Sandford" Campbell, who died in February of 1904 and was buried in the "Citizen's Cemetery".

In March of 1907 came the death of little Sanford Edward Campbell, the seven month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Squire Campbell, who died March 11, 1907, his "interment being in the Citizen's Cemetery." Sanford Campbell, the 33 year old son of Squire Campbell of Placerville, died at Sacramento in June of 1911, and the obituary stated the "funeral takes place in Citizen's Cemetery." He was the brother of Toy Campbell.

None of the Campbell family member's graves are marked in the cemetery today. Whether, being African Americans, they may not have any grave markers originally, is not known. Squire Campbell died in El Dorado County and was buried in the Placerville City Cemetery.

Michael Carr Family Plot

No graves are believed to be unmarked or missing from this plot, if the plot is, indeed, where the marker is found today. However, the three names of the Carr family members, father Michael (died

\[24\] California Health and Safety Codes clearly state that family burial plots purchased and used by at least one member of the family are inalienable and may not be used or sold by any other parties.

\[25\] Folsom Telegraph, March 3, 1900, page 3, column 1.

\[26\] Folsom Telegraph, March 16, 1907, page 3, column 1.

\[27\] Folsom Telegraph, June 23, 1911, page 1, column 7.
1863), mother Ursula (died 1858), and daughter Mary Jane (died 1857), are all inscribed on the same marble tombstone. That tombstone sits adjacent to a tree and is thoroughly surrounded by more recent markers, many of which may be cremains burials. Regardless of the type of the more recent burials, the family plot became inalienable under California law. Whether the Carr graves are situated in this location is not really known as the marker could have been relocated from somewhere else in the cemetery. It must be noted, however, that in 1857 when Mary Jane died, there was but one cemetery, besides the Catholic cemetery, in use by the residents of Folsom and vicinity - the Negro Bar (aka: Citizen's) Cemetery. The tombstone is within what was called the Citizen's Cemetery.

**Simon Cohn Family Plot**

The descendants of Simon Cohn, upon transferring the Jewish Cemetery to Lee Miller for use as Lakeside Cemetery ground, reluctantly granted Miller permission to remove the coping and ornamentation from the family plot. Miller had stated it would be easier to maintain the grounds if these items were removed. Since that time, the grave marker for Henrietta Cohn can no longer be found. (According to Henrietta Cohn Whelan, daughter of Philip C. Cohn, the family is curious as to what happened to this tombstone.) Included in the Cohn family plot is the grave of Senator Philip C. Cohn, the only Folsom resident in the 20th century to serve the state in that capacity.

**James M. Cook Family Plot**

This man, one of Folsom’s African American residents, also known as “Honey Cook”, is buried in the southerly end of Lot 1 of Block 44, under a concrete topped grave with a military marker which has been laid flat and embedded in the concrete. This research revealed that Cook was hospitalized at the Veteran’s Hospital in Boise, Idaho in 1942. It has not been identified when his death occurred. Cook’s wife, Julia, who he once attempted to kill while living in Folsom, died in Folsom in 1936. Her grave is unmarked and is believed to be next to or near that of her husband.

**William Cook Family Plot**

A large granite monument stands prominent within the William Cook family plot located in what is known as the Cook’s/American Legion Cemetery section. The only name which appears on the monument is that of Ellen Cook, wife of William, who died in January of 1875. Of that family, William, the father and William E., the son, both died and were buried at Folsom. The senior Mr. Cook’s obituary from June of 1905, states that he was buried in Cook’s Cemetery. Son, William

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28 See description of the Cohn plot ornamentation and coping under Simon Cohn in the listing.

29 This is not the only missing grave of an African American resident buried at Lakeside Cemetery.

30 It should be noted that William and Ellen Cook’s daughter, Maggie, married David Blower. Blower’s name appears on the County Tax Assessor’s maps as being the owner of Lots 14 through 16 of Block 44 sometime in the 1890’s. Maggie’s brother, Frank W. Cook, is the man from which the name “Cook’s” cemetery originated.
E., was killed trying to board a moving train in Stockton in September of 1901. Both men are believed to be in unmarked graves within the William Cook family plot.

**B.W. Cornell Family Plot**

The name "Brob. W. Cornell" is found on the 1935 DAR tombstone listing. Research which located the 1906 obituary of Mrs. A.M. Cornell revealed that she was the wife of B.W. Cornell, they having come to California in 1854. The couple is listed in the 1860 U.S. Census. There were no children living with them at the time. Mrs. Cornell's grave is not marked today. It has not yet been ascertained whether Mr. Cornell's grave remains marked as it was in 1935. [SS note, 5/11/2002: on Peter Kroff's 1999 inventory.]

**Jesse Couch Family Plot**

Only the tombstone of little Margaret Jane Couch, who died in April of 1861, at the age of 9 months, can be located at Lakeside today. Couch's wife, Margaret, and two other children also died while he lived in the area. The graves of wife Margaret, son B.S. Love, and daughter, Jessie Jane, are not found. The area surrounding baby Margaret Jane's grave has been extensively used in later times. Jesse Couch once served as the county supervisor of the district in which Granite Township was located.

**Crawford/Tuck/Rightmeyer Family Plot**

As featured in the book *Folsom Fables ~ Pieces of the Past* (Sue Silver, 1995), in the story titled "A Widowed Woman," the graves of the first two husbands of Mary Tuck Rightmeyer Crawford, are located in the Odd Fellows cemetery, just east of the Little Family plot. Samuel Tuck, Mary's first husband, died in March of 1867 and she provided him with a beautiful marble tombstone in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. In October of 1889, Mary buried her second husband, Henry Rightmeyer, a woodchopper for the railroad company. She had Henry's name and dates inscribed into the same tombstone as Samuel's, and the two men now lay side by side in the cemetery. Mary died in February of 1898. Her obituary states that she was buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, though there is no marker there today. She is believed to be buried next to her first two husbands. A date of death or burial location for her third husband, Alphonse Crawford, is unknown.

**E.L. Currier Family Plot**

Located toward the rear of the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery section, is the tombstone of Addie S. Currier, who died in May of 1880. The tombstone has been laid flat in the ground and is in the shape of an upright obelisk. A photograph taken of the Windmiller Family plot around 1889, shows this tombstone standing erect, behind and to the northwest of the Windmiller plot. The

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31 Jesse Couch was one of Folsom's earliest pioneer residents. For a time, however, he did live at Latrobe, El Dorado County, after the extension of the railroad to that town. In his life in the area, Couch once served as a Supervisor for Sacramento County.
grave plot is surrounded by picket fencing and is estimated to have been approximately 10 feet by 20 feet in size.

E.L. Currier, the patriarch of the family, is known to have been a produce grower who was quite admired in Folsom. He is believed to have died between February 1887 and February of 1892. The last mention of him in the newspaper appeared in the former month and year and the latter occurred at the time his wife, Arvilla, died a widow in 1892. Their son, Ralph Currier, sometimes referred to as "Pet" in newspaper references, died in May of 1936 and his "interment was in the family plot in Cook's Cemetery here.\textsuperscript{32} Ralph served as the Agricultural Commissioner for the Granite Township district of Sacramento County in the early 20th century.

Today there are markers for many people who are unrelated to this family on every side of Addie's tombstone. It is not known if these later graves were buried over the missing Currier family members\textsuperscript{33}, or if these later markers were simply moved to this location. Since many are dated during the remainder of Ralph's lifetime, it is certain that no burials occurred in the family plot while he lived.

\textbf{George Custer Family Plot}

The graves of George and Annie Custer cannot be located at Lakeside Cemetery. George died in 1895, a native of Pennsylvania and a 40 year resident of the area. Wife, Annie, died in 1896 and was buried in the "Folsom City Cemetery.\textsuperscript{34}" Understanding the history of the cemeteries now included in what is Lakeside, this could be either the Negro Bar (aka: Citizen's) Cemetery or what is now called the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery.

\textbf{H.M. and B.J. Dains Family Plots}

The elder patriarch of these two pioneer families was Henry M. Dains, an early pioneer of Georgetown in El Dorado County. His son, Benjamin J. Dains, and his family were also buried at this cemetery. There is no trace whatever of any member of the Dains family graves at Lakeside today.

Among the known interred of the two families are: Benjamin Dains (died 1929) buried in the "Masonic" cemetery at Folsom; Clarence G. Dains (died 1913), son of B.J. Dains, who was buried at "Cook's Cemetery"; Elton Dains (died 1902), son of Benjamin Dains, who was buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery; Elwood Dains (died 1908), son of B.J. Dains, who was buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery; Henry Montgomery Dains (died 1900), husband of Susan and father of B.J. Dains, who was buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery; Maggie (nee Robson) Dains (died 1903), wife

\textsuperscript{32} Folsom Telegraph, May 22, 1936, page 2, column 3.

\textsuperscript{33} Since Ralph died in 1936, it is difficult to believe that the family plot could have been dismantled before the time of his death, since he was fully aware of his own family's burials.

\textsuperscript{34} Folsom Telegraph, October 3, 1896, page 3, column 2.
of B.J. Dains, who was buried in the Odd Fellows cemetery; Susan Dains (died 1907), wife of H.M. Dains, whose "remains were brought to Folsom for interment at the Odd Fellows cemetery"\textsuperscript{35}; and Almira Dains (died 1897), the sister of H.M. Dains, whose obituary did not state which section of the cemetery she was interred.

In the mid-1880s, H.M. Dains served as the undertaker for the people of Georgetown. As part of his endeavors he also became the first monument dealer in that county to offer Zinc grave monuments. The Zinc monuments were introduced and highly touted as lasting longer than many other materials used for such purposes. Unfortunately for Dains, this new product does not appear to have been very successful.

\textbf{SS Note, 5/11/2002:} Also among the missing is Sabria or Sabrina Dains Johnson, sister of H.M. Dains, who died in 1897.

\textit{Michael Doll Family Plot}  \hspace{1cm} 1 unmarked

The tombstone of Michael Doll (died 1886) also bears the name Phillip Henneman (died 1879) and is located in the Odd Fellows Cemetery section. The grave of Michael's widow, Emma Louise Doll (died 1920; formerly Henneman), is unmarked today, and there are many recent interments which have been made all around the Doll/Henneman monument. Phillip Henneman was Emma's first husband with whom she bore their daughter, Elizabeth (Lizzie).

\textit{Dresser Family Plot}  \hspace{1cm} 4 unmarked

This missing and unmarked plot contains the graves of William W. Dresser and his family, and the grave of his brother, Jesse Dresser. Early pioneer citizens of Folsom and vicinity (including Prairie City), none of the known Dresser graves can be located today. Among the family who died and were, or are believed to be, buried in the cemetery are: Edmond R. Dresser (died 1867), son of William W. and Mary J. Dresser; Jesse Dresser (died 1874), brother of William Dresser, who the Trinity Church records state was buried in the Masonic Cemetery; Sherman Dresser (died 1906), the son of William and Mary Dresser, who died at Auburn, Placer County, and was "buried in the family plot in the Masonic Cemetery" at Folsom\textsuperscript{36}; William W. Dresser (died 1870), father of Sherman; Edmond, brother of Jesse, who died in Folsom at the age of 52 years; and Rebecca, aged 16 months and 13 days, the daughter of W.W. Dresser, who died at Folsom on December 16, 1869\textsuperscript{37}.

\textsuperscript{35} Folsom Telegraph, February 16, 1907, page 3, column 4.

\textsuperscript{36} Folsom Telegraph June 20, 1906, page 3, column 4.

\textsuperscript{37} Sacramento Union, 12/20/1869; page 2, column 4. 1870 U.S. Census Mortality Schedule for Granite Township, Sacramento County.
Daniel Eisner Family Plot  

This family plot is located in the Jewish Cemetery just behind the Jacob Hyman family plot. Today only the tombstone of little Sophia Eisner (died 1862), daughter of Daniel and M. Eisner, is found. The tombstone of her brother, Jacob (aged 12 years in 1860, date of death unknown), was vandalized in August of 1891 when it was overturned and broken. It is no longer in the cemetery in any condition. Next to Sophia's tombstone is an empty space which may represent Jacob's grave. More recent burials have occurred all around Sophia's stone. The 1860 U.S. Census lists the Eisner family as being parents Daniel and "M." with five sons - Jacob, David, Charles, Marcus, and Milton. No trace of the family was found in the U.S. Census for Sacramento County in either 1870 or 1880. This may indicate that son, Jacob, died previous to 1870. It is not known if any of the other Eisner sons may have died and been buried in the Jewish Cemetery with their sister and brother. (Daniel Eisner's eldest son went on to become one of the first regents of the University of California at Berkeley.)

W.H. Farmer Family Plot  

Located next to a tree, behind the Thad McFarland family plot in the Masonic Cemetery, is the tombstone of Margaret F. Farmer (died 1869), the wife of William H. Farmer. William Farmer died in 1884 at Oakland and his "remains were brought to Folsom" on the evening of November 28, 1884, for interment. He was buried in the Masonic Cemetery. William's grave cannot be located today.

* Between the U.S. Census of 1870 and the U.S. Census of 1880, baby Margaret Farmer (11 months old in 1870) seems to have become absent from the family. It may be that she also died and was buried in the Masonic Cemetery next to her mother, or possibly in the same grave with her mother.

Joseph Fiel Family Plot  

Originally located near the Levy family plot in the Jewish Cemetery, the entire Fiel family plot is missing today. Known to be interred in the plot were: Jewish pioneer and family patriarch, Joseph Fiel (died 1876); his wife, Rosa (nee Kirsky) Fiel (died 1901); son, Israel (died 1867); son, Isaac (died 1916), who was buried in the Jewish Cemetery; Isaac's wife, Gertrude (nee Sartain) Fiel, who died in December of 1899 of injuries sustained in a fall from a two story window in Oakland and was brought to Folsom and buried in the Jewish Cemetery.

According to Professor Austin Wahrhaftig, the son of Irma Levy Wahrhaftig, his mother used to tend the graves of her relatives, the Fiel family, when he was a child. His recollection was that the Fiel plot was near the Levy plot toward the outside edge of the cemetery. His aunt, Lotta Levy,  

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38 Folsom Telegraph, November 29, 1884, page 3, column 5, and December 6, 1884, page 3, column 4.

39 Israel has also been referred to as "Irwin" in some history accounts of Folsom. According to his death notice, however, his name was Israel, not Irwin.
later had her gardener tend to the graves in this plot. Professor Wahrhaftig only remembers wooden markers on these graves. (Whether the “outside edge” of the Jewish cemetery means to the west, south or north, was not ascertained.)

In the vandalism which occurred at the Jewish and Odd Fellows cemeteries in 1891, two tombstones of the Fiel family were broken off, indicating that at that time, both burials to that time had been marked with permanent markers. Whether the markers were totally destroyed and never replaced, is not known. The surviving family, though, is known to have been financially capable of paying for their replacement.

David Finch Family Plot

There are two David Finch family plots. One is located near the rear of the Negro Bar (aka: Citizen's) Cemetery and contains the grave of David's first wife, Cyrilla, and that of his mother, Frances A. Finch, which is not marked today. David's father (?) William (died 1882), and Willie E. Finch (died 1877), possibly the son of David and Cyrilla, are also located in this section.

The second family plot, located on the western end and to the front of the Odd Fellows Cemetery, has had it's surname marker and coping removed. Today all that remains of the plot are markers bearing the given names of the deceased and vital statistics dates. Without study or prior knowledge of this family, one would be unable to determine their last name.

Of the known deceased Finch family members, the following graves cannot be located today: Daisy Belle (died 1896), the 20-year old daughter of David Finch and Lucille Finch (died 1900), the infant daughter of David Finch, who was "laid to rest (yesterday) in the Odd Fellows Cemetery."40

The tombstone of Henry Finch (died 1889), son of David Finch, over whose grave J.L. House erected a "pretty little tombstone....in the Odd Fellows Cemetery"41 in November of 1889, is now located near the rear of the Negro Bar (aka: Citizen's) Cemetery.

David Finch was the Superintendent of the Natoma Company Vineyard before retiring to Verona, California. Because of his stature in the community, his family plot would have been handsomely arrayed.

J.W. Gains Family Plot

Located in the Masonic Cemetery, only the tombstone of John William Gains (died 1885) remains in place. His wife, Mary Ann (nee Scurlock) Gains (died 1895) is noted as having a tombstone by the 1935 DAR tombstone listing. DAR noted that the marker was inscribed with "Neylaid South Wales." Mary Ann's name may be inscribed on the underside of the stone which now bears John's name only. The Gains' had two daughters who survived childhood. One became Mrs. Minor Miller and is interred at the Mormon Island Relocated Cemetery in El Dorado Hills. The other,

40 Folsom Telegraph, April 21, 1900, page 3, column 1.

41 Folsom Telegraph, November 30, 1889, page 3, column 3.
Elizabeth Beatrice, died sometime around 1914 and may be buried with her parents or may be one of the "Unknown" graves relocated to the Mormon Island Relocated Cemetery by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers in 1954 for the construction of Folsom Dam and Lake.

R.H. Gegax Family Plot

The children of Folsom building contractor Richard H. Gegax were buried in this cemetery. The concrete markers for Charlie, Emma and two unnamed infant sons, are located in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. Absent is a marker for Anna Elizabeth (died 1891), who died of diphtheria in April of that year. Records from the O'Keefe Funeral Home in Placerville, indicate the death and burial of Arthur F. Gegax, the son of R.H. Gegax in August of 1893. Those records indicate that Arthur was buried in "Johnson's Cemetery" in El Dorado County. Johnson's Cemetery is located off North Canyon and Cleese roads below Camino. With other of his children buried at Folsom, is it likely he would have had Arthur buried in such an out of the way cemetery?

Edward Hicks Family Plot

There is not one tombstone or marker for any of the members of this pioneer African American family known to have been buried at this cemetery. While patriarch, Edward Hicks, is known to have been buried in the National Cemetery at the Presidio in San Francisco, the graves of the members of his family who were buried at the Folsom cemetery cannot be located today.

Among them are: Alice Hicks (died 1915), daughter of Mrs. George Hicks, granddaughter of Edward Hicks; Garfield Hicks (died 1935), son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hicks, who grew up in Folsom; George Hicks (died 1940), the son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hicks, who was interred in the "Citizen's Cemetery"; Mrs. E. (Eliza) Hicks (died 1901), wife of Edward Hicks, and Mrs. Isabel Hicks (died 1933), the wife of George B. Hicks, and daughter-in-law of Edward Hicks, mother of the late Alice Hicks, was a "member of a former Folsom colored family", and buried in the Citizen's Cemetery.

Tyler J. Hill Family Plot

Pioneer Folsom blacksmith and hotel keeper, Tyler Joseph Hill (died 1875), was a member of the Masonic fraternity and is believed to have been buried in the Masonic Cemetery. His daughter, Ada Marian (died 1874) was buried in the Masonic Cemetery according to Trinity Church records. The tombstones of T.J. Hill, Ada Marian Hill, and Mrs. Marion Caroline Hill (died 1922), Tyler's wife, were recorded by the 1935 DAR tombstone inventory. All three graves are unmarked and their location unknown today. T.J. Hill served as the Constable for the town of Folsom and later served as a Deputy Sheriff of Sacramento County.

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42 Folsom Telegraph, March 1, 1940, page 1, column 6.
43 Folsom Telegraph, April 14, 1933, page 1, column 7.
Update, 5/1/1998: Met with Karen Rader, a family descendant, who has visited the graves since she was a young girl. She has not been back for several years, since about the time she got married in 1975. In addition to the three Hill family members mentioned above, the son of Tyler and Marion, Charles Hill, and his wife, Augusta, were also buried at Lakeside.

A second meeting with Karen, accompanied by her mother, Marion Rader, was held at the cemetery. Mrs. Rader was unable to locate the Tyler Hill plot and stated that the last time she visited the plot with her mother (who has since deceased) in the mid-1960's, the wooden markers which had always been in place at the graves, were still at the cemetery. Despite the many drastic changes to the cemetery, including the removal of the fencing along the present driveway/parking area, Mrs. Rader was able to show me the location of where the Hill graves should be.

**J.L. Holmes Family Plot**

3 unmarked

John L. Holmes was a painter when he lived in Folsom around the turn of the century. The grave of his wife, Cora, who died in Folsom at the age of 23 (probably of complications of childbirth) and was buried in the Citizen's Cemetery, is unmarked today. The couple's infant daughter, Lizzie, died in June 1905 at the age of 2 months 9 days old. According to the records of the Sacramento City Cemetery Archives, Lizzie was buried in Folsom. John died in Sacramento in 1910 and is believed to have been brought to Folsom and buried next to his wife. Mrs. Holmes assisted Constable Donnelly by identifying that some of the convicts who violently escaped Folsom Prison in July of 1903 had passed by her home on the way to Sacramento. Her observation led to the capture of two of the convicts in that city just a few days later.

John Holmes may have been an African American citizen or possibly a mulatto.

**William Jarvis Family Plot**

No one is believed to be missing or unmarked in the William Jarvis plot. However, the removal of the ornate iron fencing and granite coping which once outlined this plot is nearly as criminal as would be the loss of their graves. Jarvis and his wife, Rebecca Russell Vanlandingham, were early pioneers of both El Dorado and Sacramento County. In the mid-1850s they were the owners and proprietors of the Natoma Valley House, a road house on the Sacramento to Coloma Road, just west of the El Dorado and Sacramento county line. They also owned what was called the Valley Home, another property located on the Sacramento Road in El Dorado county, approximately one mile east of the Natoma Valley House. The Valley Home appears to have been the Jarvis' residence at the time.

A trustee of the Natoma Water and Mining Company from its very earliest years, Jarvis alternated residency between Natoma, Folsom and Sacramento. He is also believed to have lived in San Francisco, probably after the Company's headquarters were moved to that city. The photograph of the Windmiller family plot shows the Jarvis plot behind and diagonally to the right of that family plot. Today the joint headstone of William and Rebecca Vanlandingham Russell Jarvis, his wife, has been laid flat in the ground, its layered granite bases are nowhere to be found.
W.D. Johnson Family Plot

Only the grave of Charles Edward Johnson (died 1885), the son of W.D. and Philenia Johnson, is marked in the cemetery today. His monument, presumably located in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, was vandalized in 1891 and was "smashed to pieces." [SS Note, 5/11/2002: Peter Kroff's inventory does not list Charles Edward Johnson.] Another son of William and Philenia, Emmett Oliver, committed suicide in 1917 and was buried at the Odd Fellows Cemetery. He was a six year Army veteran who had enlisted in Portland, Oregon. William D. Johnson (died 1920), aged 64 years and a native of California, was also buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery, his grave bearing no marker today. Mrs. Philenia Johnson died at Sacramento in 1925 at age 66 years, and was buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery at Folsom. Her grave is also unmarked.

Zachariah Jones Family Plot

Three of the members of this family, patriarch Zachariah, and his twin infant children, are buried in unmarked graves at this cemetery. The twins, who were born and died on October 18, 1867, were the infants of "Z. and H.A." Jones. The 1870 U.S. Census lists a Harriet Jones as head of her household in Granite Township. According to the records of Trinity Church, Zachariah Jones (died 1868), was buried in the Citizen's Cemetery on December 4, 1868.

H.T. Knight Family Plot

While the grave of Henry T. Knight supposedly remains marked by his tombstone, there is evidence from the investigative excavation that his granite coped plot was dismantled and the ornamentation dumped onto the adjacent State park land. Nathaniel Knight, the father of Henry T., John (buried Mormon Island Relocated Cemetery), and Thomas Knight (buried El Dorado Cemetery, El Dorado county), died at Folsom in 1871. He was a native of Vermont, as were Henry, John and Thomas.

The location of Henry T. Knight's tombstone to others known to have had a familial relationship with the Knight family, brings to question whether their graves were also enclosed in the "Knight Family Plot." There were pieces of coping ranging up to 20 feet in length that were removed during the 1996 excavation. This may have been long enough to have also enclosed the grave sites of F.A. Blanchard and family, Elvira Bradner, and W.H. Comstock and family, who were all inter-related by marriage to the Knight's.

Knight/Shumway Family Plot

Located at the western edge near the front of the Odd Fellows Cemetery, the Knight/Shumway family plot represents the burials of members of the Knight family who inter-married with the Shumway family. While no missing graves have been noted, the military tombstone of K. Loren Knight has been laid flat in the ground. Because of this, it is slowly being destroyed by the equipment which runs over it during maintenance activities.

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44 Folsom Telegraph, August 22, 1891, "A Ghoul's Work", page 3, column 3, in which the Jewish and Odd Fellows cemeteries were vandalized.
Samuel Kyburz Family Plot

The graves of Samuel Kyburz (died 1898) and his wife, Rebecca (died 1903), are unmarked in the Old Masonic cemetery today. Each of their obituaries stated they were buried in the Masonic cemetery, though no markers can be found. Some of their children and grandchildren's graves are found in the New Masonic Cemetery.

Samuel and Rebecca were early California pioneers, and are known to have operated a hotel at Sutter's Fort at the advent of the gold rush. Samuel was one of the men to first discover the Coloma Valley where James Marshall and Capt. John Sutter built their sawmill, where shortly after Marshall discovered gold in the mill's tailrace.

Edward R. Levy Family Plot

Only one Levy grave is believed to have been unmarked in the Jewish Cemetery. This was the grave of the infant son of Edward Levy and wife, who died in July 1870, three days after his birth. He was the only son born to the couple. The remainder of the family plot has been significantly altered by the removal of coping (material unknown) and the replacement of placerite tombstones with more modern flat markers. The headstones, originally facing east, have been turned so that they face the drive straight on. The graves would have been east facing at an angle to the present day markers. There are many, many more recent burials which have occurred all around this two-row family plot and a likelihood that some of the Levy graves have been disturbed by the more recent interments.

O.C. Lewis Family Plot

There are no burials believed unmarked or missing from this plot. However, there are scratches to the marble obelisk monument which bears the names of the four Lewis family members buried here. It is believed the granite base which once adorned this monument was removed (hence the scratches on the marble obelisk), and dumped into the State park lands. Surrounding these graves which date from 1879 to 1954, are more recent burials and markers.

George Little Family Plot

The Little family plot is located near the east edge and at the southern front of the Odd Fellows Cemetery. It is coped and concrete capped, and bears the name "Little" on the face of the step. In the mid to late-1970's, the operators of Lakeside Cemetery erected three remains niches around west, north and east sides of this plot. During his 1992 tour of the grounds with members of the Folsom Historical Society, the former caretaker stated that there were no burials in the Little plot. Evidence bears otherwise.

Ashland pioneer George Little raised his family on his ranch across the river from Folsom. His wife, Elizabeth (died 1895), was a native of Scotland and a resident of the Folsom vicinity from as early as 1851. George Little's obituary information (died 1908) placed him in San Francisco in 1851, and at Negro Bar in 1852. He was a member of the Granite Lodge No. 62 IOOF. One of the
couples' sons, William (died 1930), died there at the age of 77 years, having lived at Ashland since 1853. He was buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. It is not known what may have happened to the other son, John Little, William's younger brother.

The placement of the cremains niches around this family plot is at best rude, since people visiting the cremated remains of their loved ones there, are now walking on top of the Little family member's graves. Under Californian law, the plot purchased by George Little garnered him interment rights and rights to erect an appropriate monument on the surface of the graves. The erection of the cremains niches, under California law, would therefore violate the contract between Little and the Odd Fellows. Every cremated remains niche sold atop the Little plot is tantamount to double selling (or more) the interment rights for that space in the cemetery.

Walter Lovelady Family Plot

According to Dorothy Rollins of Stockton, the granddaughter of Walter Lovelady, this plot was once concrete capped and bore a black granite marker with four names inscribed. Three of the names represent actual burials; the fourth name being for memorial purposes only. In 1980, Mrs. Rollins visited the cemetery and was unable to locate her family's graves. When she contacted the cemetery operator she was told that the concrete was removed because it had become cracked and dangerous and that the marker was placed directly onto the ground and was stolen from the cemetery sometime thereafter. Granite weighs 175 pounds per cubic foot. Mrs. Rollins estimated the marker to have been approximately 2 feet high by 4 feet wide - a rather large marker. The weight of such a marker would prohibit its having been taken from the cemetery without benefit of equipment such as a tractor or backhoe. The grave site, according to the cemetery operator, is registered in their interment book. [SS Note, 5/11/2002: Peter Kroff's inventory lists Regina Lovelady b. 5/3/1962, d. 5/19/1962; don't know if related.]

Isaac Maltby Family Plot

Located near the rear of Lot 14 in Block 44 (Cook's/American Legion Cemetery), the family plot of Isaac Maltby (died 1887) was originally used for the burial of little Elizabeth Maltby, the couple's infant daughter who died in 1859. (In 1859, this portion of the cemetery, Lots 14-16 of Block 44, was owned by William Murray.) After Isaac Maltby committed suicide in 1887, his probate case file in El Dorado County indicates that the family purchased a "grave yard lot" for $25.00 as shown on the bill from Jacob Miller, undertaker. The price for a grave at most other cemeteries studied during that time ranged from $2.00 per grave to $75.00 per lot, depending on the lot size. A "grave yard lot" for $25.00 in 1887, therefore, might represent a six person burial lot.

In a photograph taken by Mary Bowen, and printed in the Folsom Telegraph in the mid-1960's, the tombstone of little Elizabeth is shown upright and to the east of a larger, three-tiered monument. To the right of Elizabeth's marker is what appears to be concrete plot lining. Today the large monument is no where to be found, and to Elizabeth's right, is a marble obelisk monument bearing only Isaac's name. Eveline Maltby, Isaac's wife, died in 1899 and was buried next to her husband and child. There is no grave stone for Eveline at the cemetery today and it is believed that the large monument shown in Bowen's photograph represented both Eveline and Isaac, and that the obelisk
marker now bearing only Isaac's name probably bears Eveline's name on one of the unexposed sides. More recent burials are encroaching on this "grave yard lot" which has so obviously been dismantled.

SS Update, July 1998: On a recent visit to the Chung Wah Cemetery, adjacent to Lakeside, I visited several of the tombstones I believed bear additional names than those which are presently showing. Using a piece of twig, I scraped the mud pack on the sides of a few, one of which was the Isaac Maltby marker. On the west side of the marker, I found the letters "BY" could be found. This is where Eveline's name is going to be found.

**J.K. McComber Family Plot**

This plot is located at the rear of the Masonic Cemetery and contains the graves of seven and possibly eight of the John McComber family. One unknown grave, that of little Marion McComber (died 1907), the infant daughter of Fred McComber, may exist within the plot. It appears that the plot coping has been removed based on the lack of dressed granite corner pieces on the western edge of the adjacent coped plot. Ordinarily, corner pieces of stand-alone plots which are coped, bear finished or dressed corner pieces with smooth surfaces which provide a nice visual effect. The present corner pieces on the plot to the immediate east of the McComber plot shows evidence that other pieces of granite originally abutted it. Further, the upright marble obelisk bearing the names of John and his wife, Mattie, has been removed from its granite base and placed directly on the ground. More recent burials appear to have encroached within this inalienable plot and may have impacted the older graves.

**Dugand McMillan Family Plot**

Little historically is known of this family. The first death recorded is that of George McMillan (died 1900), the 15 year old son of "Mr. and Mrs. Dougall McMillan", whose "remains were interred in the City Cemetery near Folsom." Daughter Emma (died 1901), whose death resulted from a pine nut lodged in her throat, was "buried at Folsom." The family patriarch, Dugand McMillan (died 1912), a native of Scotland and 65 years old at the time of his death, was interred in "Cook's Cemetery." Mr. McMillan left a wife and several children. None of the graves of this family can be located today.

**J.E. Moon Family Plot**

In 1935, the DAR tombstone listing recorded the markers of infant Edna Lorraine Moon (died 1916) and her brother, infant Kack Moon, the children of J.E. and Hazel Moon. The 1981 listing produced in Rest In Peace also picked up the marker of Edna Lorraine, but not that of Kack. Neither of these markers was located in 1995, when a brief inventory was taken at the onset of this

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45 Folsom Telegraph, January 13, 1900, page 3, column 1.

46 Folsom Telegraph, February 23, 1912, page 1, column 7.
research. No location of the parents graves was noted and they will have to be relocated upon additional inventorying.


**Peter Morris Family Plot**

The British born Morris family came to California in 1849, landing in San Francisco. By the time of the Cholera epidemic of 1850, at least one of the sons was living in Sacramento. They eventually settled near Alder Creek and Mississippi Bar and remained there for the rest of their lives. Only their daughter, Louisa, who married Don Juan M. Winder and died at Lima, Peru in 1868, left the family fold.

Patriarch, Peter Morris (died 1882), had been married to wife, Eliza, for 55 years at the time of his death. Eliza (died 1888), was 81 years old at the time of her death. Their sons, Richard and Robert, both died in 1894, Richard being the first of the two to decease in March of that year. He was "buried near his father, mother and sister***", which would have been near the rear of Lot 16 in Block 44 (Cook's Cemetery), where the headstones of Peter and Eliza are found today. Robert Morris, died in November of that year and was interred in the Masonic Cemetery. Neither Richard nor Robert's graves are marked today.

It is uncertain whether sister, Louisa Winder, was returned to California from Peru for burial. At the time, embalming compounds utilized arsenic, which arrested decomposition and allowed for long distance transport of human remains. Certainly, if the body had been returned for interment at Folsom, one of the local newspapers would have found space to mention it. This becomes a question of whether Richard's obituary, which stated he was buried near his father, mother, and sister, was speaking of Louisa or another sister, possibly unknown to us.

Only one article has been noted linking any other female offspring to the Morris family and that mention stated that Mrs. Morris had come to town with her daughter, Mrs. Lewis. The only Mrs. Lewis this researcher is aware of living in Folsom and vicinity was Mrs. Margaret Lewis. She, however, was a native of New York, while all the other Morris family members were natives of England.

**Musso Family Plot**

Two graves of Musso family members exist at the cemetery and are located within the Odd Fellows section. The grave of mother, Annie M. Musso (died 1862), wife of Laurence Musso, is marked with a large marble tombstone which has been laid flat in the ground. The grave of her son, Frank (Francis) H. Musso (died 1870), who was 12 years old at the time of his death, is located within the

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47 Folsom Telegraph, March 10, 1894, page 2, column 4.

48 Folsom Telegraph November 10, 1894, page 2, column 1.
Peter Imhof family plot, some two grave sites west of that of his mother. According to the records of Trinity Church, Francis Musso was interred in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. It is puzzling that Frank's tombstone is not located next to his mother's and that no familial relationship has been located linking the Imhof(fy)'s and the Musso's. It is far more likely that Frank's tombstone has been removed from its original location and deliberately placed inside the copied Imhof plot. [SS Note, 5/11/2002: Peter Kroff's inventory does not appear to have included the Imhof plot, and he does not list Frank H. Musso.]

William H. Nichols Family Plot

There are no known missing or unmarked graves within this plot. However, according to family descendants, this concrete topped plot was once adorned with granite coping and iron railing and chain all around it. That ornamentation is missing today revealing that portions of this plot have been dismantled and without permission from the family.

William Nutcher Family Plot

The marker of the grave of Elsie Olive Nutcher (died 1928) was inventoried for the first time in 1995. A death notice for her husband, William Nutcher (died 1936), was found in the pages of the Folsom Telegraph. The 1995 inventory did not note a marker for William, but it is uncertain if one does not exist or if, because the inventory only sought to identify markers through 1930, his was deliberately not noted. The obituary stated that he was laid to rest beside his late wife in the Citizen's Cemetery. [SS Note, 5/11/2002: Peter Kroff's 1999 inventory does not include William Nutcher.]

John Odell Family Plot

This concrete capped plot is located in the Masonic Cemetery. The tombstone which bore the names of John Sr. (died 1881), John Jr. (died 1901) and wife and mother, Mrs. R.S. (nee Berry) Odell Freese, was found in the Oleander bushes behind the maintenance sheds in 1994. The front of the plot is marked "ODELL" and there are two small marble plates bearing the initials R.S. and J.A. embedded in the concrete topping, presumably marking the location of the graves of John Sr. and his wife. A concrete monument base is also embedded in the topping and remains in place.

After complaint about the tombstones being found in the bushes, the Odell monument was moved back into the cemetery but was placed near the tombstones of Rosalie and Camille Lambrett, behind the Benjamin F. Bates plot under the Cedar of Lebanon trees.49

Thomas Orr Sr. Family Plot

California pioneer Thomas Orr and his family, travelled to the new state with a contingent of Mormon immigrants in 1848. The family initially settled in the Salmon Falls area of El Dorado

49 At the same time, the monument of John Woods was also placed in this location.
County, but was well known in Folsom and its surrounding communities. The grave of Catherine Orr (died 1879), the wife of Thomas, is located near the front of Lot 15 of Block 44 (Cook's Cemetery). This large, once ornate marble tombstone has been removed from its granite base and laid flat in the ground. In July of 1891, the Orr's son, James, died at Rolling Hill (near present day El Dorado Hills at Salmon Falls Road) and was buried in the "Folsom Cemetery". Presumably he would have been buried near his mother's grave.

Family patriarch and one of the "oldest pioneer inhabitants of the county" (El Dorado), Thomas Orr died at Shingle Springs in 1893 at an advanced age and was buried at Folsom. There is no marker at the cemetery today to indicate that Thomas' remains were interred next to those of his wife. Current interments are coming dangerously close to this location which is believed to contain the two unmarked, east facing graves of James and Thomas Orr.

**Hiram Parker Family Plot**

A resident near the Fifteen Mile House on the old Placerville Road, Hiram Parker (died 1885), a thirty year resident of the vicinity, and was buried "in the Odd Fellows plot in the Citizen's Cemetery at this place." Parker's wife, Marie, who remarried after his death and became Marie Hall (died 1901), was buried beside her first husband in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.

The blue and gray veined marble obelisk monument (supposedly) marking Parker's grave bears chain marks and scratches, and is located near the front of the Odd Fellows Cemetery (no where near what could be considered within the "Citizen's Cemetery"), next to the coped "Patterson" plot. It appears to have been moved in toward the abutted corner of that plot and the one directly behind the Patterson plot.

A video tape of this plot taken in 1990 by historian Armand Kimball (now deceased), shows a small pine tree growing in the location of where the Parker monument is now found. There is no sign of the Parker monument behind the pine tree or anywhere near the location where it is today. It is highly questionable whether the Parker graves are where the monument is today or whether the monument has been moved from another location in the cemetery.

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50 Reference photograph taken by Mary Bowen (circa 1965) which appeared in the Folsom Telegraph. This photo is on file at the Folsom History Museum.


52 Mountain Democrat, November 18, 1893, page 1, column 3.

53 This per the journal of El Dorado County pioneer, James S. Russell, who, ironically, was the grave digger for the communities of Rescue and Green Valley from as early as 1861 until the turn of the century. Russell's son, Frank, and his grandson, are buried in the coped Russell plot at Lakeside Cemetery.

54 Folsom Telegraph, August 29, 1885, page 3, column 3.

55 Folsom Telegraph, May 4, 1901, page 3, column 1.
Franklin Riggins Family Plot

Three members of this family were interred at Folsom. Son Owen (died 1911), was twelve years old at the time of his death and was buried at "Citizen's Cemetery." His father, Franklin B. Riggins (died 1912), a fifteen year resident of the vicinity, and the husband of Emily (nee Saul) Riggins, was buried at the "Citizen's Cemetery". Emily Riggins (died 1932), the sister of Ed Saul and the daughter of Charles Saul, was buried in the "Citizen's Cemetery." None of these graves are marked in the cemetery today. There is a Saul Family plot located in the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery, and it should be reviewed to determine if the Riggins graves may be located within it. [SS Note, 12/6/2002: Peter Kroff did not record grave markers for the Riggins family in 1998.]

Caroline Rose Family Plot

Caroline (nee Riley) Rose (died 1887) was the wife of Milton Rose, one of Folsom's African American pioneers. Her death resulted from burns received when the Rose's home burned to the ground. The funeral services for Mrs. Rose were held at the Episcopal Church (Trinity) and she was later buried "by the side of her son, in the Citizen's Cemetery." No death notice has been found to indicate the name of the son next to whom she was buried, or how old the child may have been at the time of his death.

Her husband, Milton, who is featured in the book, Folsom Fables ~ Pieces of the Past, in the story titled, "Three Gentlemen of Color," died in Sacramento in 1890 and was buried at New Helvetia Cemetery where he was likely removed and re-interred in the mass grave now located at East Lawn Cemetery. Mr. Rose's name appears on very early county tax assessor maps as owning property in Folsom.

Frank Russell Family Plot

The son of El Dorado County pioneer James S. Russell, Frank Russell was killed in a dredge accident in September of 1912. His infant son (name unknown) died in February of that same year. The coped Russell family plot is located in Lot 8 of Block 44 (Negro Bar [aka: Citizen's] Cemetery), but the two markers once located here can no longer be found. Only the military marker of Lawrence P. Paulsen, Frank's brother-in-law, is in place in the plot. According to the Folsom Telegraph obituary for Frank Russell, he was buried in the "Citizen's Cemetery."

J.P. Schaffer Family Plot

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56 Folsom Telegraph, September 10, 1887, page 3, column 2.

57 This per the records on file at the Sacramento City Cemetery archives.

58 Per Russell descendant Linda (nee McBeath) Van Gundy, daughter of Elmer McBeath, there were two markers for Frank and his son at one time.
Historical background on Mr. and Mrs. Schaffer has not been recorded in this research. Caroline M. Schaffer (died 1891) was a Folsom resident at the time of her death. J.P. Schaffer, died in Sacramento in 1900 and his "remains brought to Folsom and interred beside those of his wife who preceded him to the grave..."59. The location of the graves is not given in either obituary, nor were markers recorded in previous tombstone inventories.

Melchoir Schlittler Family Plot 1-2 missing and unmarked

Another review of the cemetery grounds may be in order before it can be factually determined that this observation is accurate. In 1994, while wandering the cemetery in search of the grave stones of people identified in earlier research, the marker of Melchoir Schlittler was noted. The 1935 DAR inventory listed both Melchoir and Mary Schlittler, but the marker for Mary was not noted in 1994, nor was it found in 1995.

Melchoir Schlittler (died 1890), a native of Switzerland, is buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery section. His son, Melchoir Jr. (died 1905), a native of Folsom, was buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery60, though no marker has been found to identify his grave. Melchoir Sr.'s wife, Mary F. (died 1914), a native of Germany, was interred in the "family plot in the Odd Fellows Cemetery"61, though no marker is noted as having been found. Therefore, the "family plot" is not evident and the graves of Mrs. Schlittler and son, Melchoir, probably located next to Mr. Schlittler, are unmarked today. [SS Note, 5/11/2002: Peter Krofft's inventory lists Melchoir Schlittler b. 1827, d. 1890 AND Mary E. Schlittler (no dates). Mary's marker was not next to Melchoir's marker in 1995!]

Crozier Slayback Family Plot 2 unmarked

Born October 13, 1819, Crozier Slayback, who resided at 501 Figueroa Street, died at Folsom on October 13, 1889, his 70th birthday. His wife, Minerva, died in Sacramento in 1903 and was "buried in the Folsom cemetery.62." (This should be interpreted to mean the Citizen's Cemetery, though Crozier's tombstone is located next to the coped Lawson plot in the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery.) There is no tombstone for Minerva at the cemetery today, but it is believed that if Crozier's stone which has been laid flat in the ground, were excavated, Minerva’s name will be found on one of the unexposed sides.

The Slayback's son, Dr. Charles M. Slayback, who once owned the home at 606 Figueroa Street and practiced medicine in Folsom, died in San Francisco in 1910. "His remains were brought to

59 Folsom Telegraph, December 15, 1900, page 3, column 2.

60 Folsom Telegraph, April 29, 1905, page 3, column 4.

61 Folsom Telegraph, January 30, 1914, page 1, column 6.

62 Folsom Telegraph, November 7, 1903, page 3, column 1.
Folsom... 63. There is no tombstone or grave marker for Dr. Slayback in the cemetery. A married man, no information has been found about the death or demise of Mrs. Ella Slayback, his wife. Many recent burials have begun to encroach toward the location of Crozier Slayback's tombstone and there is a fear that the unmarked graves of Minerva and Charles will be eventually be impacted.

**Ira Sowles Family Plot**

Located toward the rear of Cook's/American Legion Cemetery (within Lot 16 of Block 44), close to the tombstones of the Jarvis and Morris families, is the marker for the "Infant son of Ira & Ella Sowles" who died in 1887. Ella Sowles, wife of Ira and mother of the infant, died in 1889, though no location within the cemetery was mentioned in her obituary. Ira Sowles died in Sacramento in 1909 and was interred in "Cook's Cemetery." He was survived by three children - Etta, Chester and Bert. Etta Sowles died at San Francisco in 1918, but there is no indication that she was brought to Folsom for burial. At the time of her death, she was survived by both her brothers.

It should be noted that the tombstone for the Sowles' infant son is now surrounded by other, non-family related tombstones. It is not known whether these stones represent burials (unlikely) or if the markers there now were removed from other locations in the cemetery.

**SS Note, 5/11/2002:** Another review of the cemetery might be warranted. While cleaning the Chung Wah Chinese Cemetery in April, I took a walk around Lakeside. I believe I noted a Sowles grave marker at the rear of the Citizen's cemetery along the line of bushes. A re-check is recommended.

**Edward Stockton Family Plot**

In 1935, the DAR tombstone inventory listed "Stockton, Edward No dates visible.", and "Stockton, wife No dates visible." There are no markers with the name Stockton located at the cemetery today. Research, however, has revealed that there were likely five members of the Stockton family interred at the cemetery.

Edward Stockton, famous as the industrious man who built the Stockton flour mill on the American River above Folsom, and his wife, Emily, lost two children in December of 1856. A son, Edward Coover 65, died December 13, 1856, and a daughter, Emily, died December 22, 1856. The couple lost another son, John Thornton, in March of 1862.

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63 Folsom Telegraph, April 15, 1910, page 1, column 4.

64 Folsom Telegraph, February 19, 1909, page 1, column 2.

65 Coover was the surname of Stockton's partner in his flour mill.
Emily Stockton died at Folsom in November of 1867. Her funeral was held November 11, from Trinity Church and she was buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery. Edward Stockton, having lost his mill in a lawsuit involving his partner, died at Truckee in June of 1868, where he was working for the railroad. His remains were shipped to Sacramento from Reno and forwarded to Folsom where he was buried by the Committee of the Sacramento Pioneers "by the side of his wife in the Mason's plot."

Having found the death notice for John Thornton Stockton in the Sacramento Daily Union of 1862, a review of the 1935 DAR tombstone inventory has revealed that DAR also picked up the name "THORNTON." The 1935 list includes: Edward Thornton, Mrs. Emily Thornton, Emily Thornton, and John Thornton, with the notation "No dates visible on marker." There is too close a similarity between these given names and the given names of the Stockton family members to ignore. It is believed that the "Thornton" family recorded by DAR was, in actuality, the Stockton family members. Still, no markers with the name Stockton or Thornton are found at the cemetery today.

James H. Sturges Family Plot 5 missing and unmarked

James H. Sturges, a pioneer of Folsom and vicinity and jewelry merchant on Sutter Street, was buried in the Masonic Cemetery in 1904. His wife, Henrietta (died 1902), who preceded him in death and was also buried in the Masonic Cemetery. Sturges also became the first weather recorder for Granite Township under the original U.S. Signal Corps.

According to the 1870 U.S. Census, the couple had three children - Charles, Mary L., and James. The first of these children to decease was Mary Louetta (nee Sturges) Martine. The 1935 DAR tombstone inventory lists Mary Louetta Martine, age 24 years, died July 30, 1888. No tombstone for Mary was located in 1995 and a 1997 telephone inquiry to the cemetery operator was unsuccessful in finding the location of the grave.

The second of the couple's offspring to die was Charles H. Sturges who died at Folsom on August 30, 1900. He was buried in the Citizen's Cemetery. At the time of his death, Charles left a wife and five small children. The son of Charles H. and Margaret Sturges, Hugh Charles, the grandson of James H. Sturges, died in Folsom December 23, 1892, though the obituary did not indicate his place of burial.

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66 As per the records of Trinity Church as transcribed by Lois A. Dove, docent of Sacramento City Cemetery Committee.


68 Folsom Telegraph October 22, 1904, page 3, column 2.

69 Folsom Telegraph, September 1, 1900, page 3, column 4.
In October of 1940, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Martine of Nevada City, California, visited the graves of his grandparents, Judge and Mrs. J.H. Sturges and his mother, Mrs. Martine. Today there are no marked graves bearing the name Sturges or Martine in either the Masonic cemetery or the Citizen's Cemetery.

70 Folsom Telegraph, October 25, 1940, page 1, column 4.
John White Family Plot

Between 1856 and 1862, four of the children of John White died at Folsom and were attended by the minister of Trinity Church. They were: Anna Belle (died 1862), Charles Alexander (died 1856), Charles Henry (died 1862) and Clara Louisa (died 1861). The 1860 U.S. Census lists John White (age 30 yrs), Ann White (age 26 yrs), John White (age 9 yrs), Clara White (age 3 yrs) and Emma White (age 9 mos).

John White, listed on the transcribed records of Trinity Church as John "Waite", died June 3, 1861 and was buried in the Citizen's Cemetery. His estate was probated in Sacramento County, with one of the estate appraisers being W.W. Dresser. There are no grave markers for John White or any of his children at the cemetery today.

Carl Windmiller Family Plot

Photographs of the Windmiller family plot were taken circa 1889 and 1908. The earlier photograph shows the graves of Rosa (died 1889) and Charles Martin (no date available but shown in photo), each mounded in the ground. The 1908 photograph shows the family plot as it was when it was coped with granite with the name "Windmuller" inscribed into the face of the top step into the plot. Today the coping has been removed and there are no markers in the plot to identify the names of those buried there.

Charles Martin Windmiller, the son of Carl and Wilhelmina Windmiller, was the first to be buried in the plot, since his grave existed at the time Rosa Windmiller was buried in 1889. According to family records, Aurora Anne Windmiller, another daughter of Carl and Wilhelmina, is also buried in the family plot, though no record of her death has been located in this research. She would have had to have died after Rosa's death in 1889 as there are only two graves visible in the plot in that year.

Carl Windmiller died in 1897 and was buried in the "Folsom City Cemetery", although the remaining face plate from the top step of the coped plot has been left in the ground within the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery, just east of the J.B. Schmidt coped plot. Wilhelmina Windmiller died in 1908 (the year the granite coped plot was captured on film) and was buried at "Cook's Cemetery". This would be consistent with the present location of the name plate and is also an example of how the section known as "Cook's Cemetery" had previously been referred to as the "Citizen's Cemetery" or "Folsom City" and "City" Cemetery.

This family plot has been severely desecrated with its dismantling. With five unmarked burials within the (unknown) boundaries of the plot, current burials which are presently encroaching within

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72 Folsom Telegraph, November 20, 1897, page 3, column 4.

73 Folsom Telegraph, November 14, 1908, page 1, column 6.
this area and are of great concern. Portions of the granite coping can be identified as those taken from the State park lands during the 1996 investigative excavation.

SS Update, July 1998: Ric Windmiller, a descendant family member, obtained a Ground Penetrating Radar survey through NorCal Geophysical Consultants. According to Ric Windmiller, and Jerry Nelson, NorCal's consultant, the mapping of this survey clearly shows where overburials have occurred at or near the Windmiller plot. In viewing a copy of the mapping, one of the overburials may be of a Slayback family member.

John G. Woods Family Plot 1 unmarked

Located at about the half-way mark of Lot 15/16 of Block 44 (Cook's/American Legion Cemetery) is the marker of Mary Woods, the wife of John G. Woods, who died in 1888. In February of 1889, Folsom monument dealer, J.L. House, put up granite coping around the Woods grave in the Citizen's Cemetery. In April of that year, House erected "one of the finest monuments in our cemetery..." at the grave of the wife of J.G. Woods.74

Mary's marble tombstone has been laid flat in the ground at its present location. The large, ornate marble marker bearing the name J.G. Woods, was found in the Oleander bushes behind the maintenance shed in 1994.75 With the information provided by the Telegraph, we know that the plot was coped with granite and that a "handsome" monument was erected over Mary's grave in 1889.

John Woods died in Placerville in May of 1923. He was buried in "Cook's Cemetery."76 He was over 80 years old at the time of his death and was survived by his daughter, Mrs. Roy Celio of Oakland, California.

Today, in the grave to the east of Mary Woods, is a 1974 burial. It is not known to which side of Mary's grave John was interred. If he was buried to the east of her present marker, he has now been buried over by the more current burial. If he was buried to the west of Mary's marker, he is in danger of being buried over by a future interment. In either case, the granite coped and enclosed Woods plot, has been desecrated.

SS Update, 12/5/2002: From the GPR map provided during the Windmiller family plot survey, it appears that the grave of John Woods has been impacted.

74 Folsom Telegraph, February 16, 1889, page 3, column 1, and April 13, 1889, page 3, column 1.

75 Like the Odell tombstone, John Woods marker was moved back into the cemetery and placed in the Lamblett family plot behind the Benjamin Bates family plot in the Masonic Cemetery.

76 Folsom Telegraph, March 9, 1923, page 1, column 4.
Peter Yager Family Plot

The first burial believed to have occurred in the Peter Yager family plot in the "Citizen's Cemetery," was that of William Hudson Thomas, the grandson of Peter Yager. According to the transcribed records of Trinity Church, this two year old was interred in the "Folsom Cemetery" (read Citizen's Cemetery) in February of 1870. He was the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Thomas. This burial was followed by the burial of little Mabel Thomas in July of 1881. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David (nee Emma Yager) Thomas, and the granddaughter of Peter Yager, little Mabel died at Oakland and her remains brought to Folsom by train.77

Peter Yager's wife, Elizabeth (nee Ruman of the Ruman family of Michigan Bar, Sacramento County) was the next to be buried in the family plot in 1885. She was buried in the Citizen's Cemetery near a nephew and two grandchildren.78 Yager's step-son, John O. Brown, the son of Peter's second wife, Sarah (nee King) Brown Yager, died in 1897 and was "interred in the family plot in the City Cemetery."79

Peter Yager, the renowned brewer who moved to Folsom around 1871, and whose building remains on Sutter Street, died December 31, 1898 at Folsom. He was buried in the "Blower Cemetery near Folsom."80 He was survived by his wife, Sarah, and son, L.T. (Louis) Yager.

Elizabeth (nee Emma Yager) Thomas, wife of Thomas Thomas and daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Yager, died in 1904 and may also be buried in the family plot. Her husband, Thomas, died in Los Angeles in 1894, though the only notice of his death came from Elizabeth's obituary.

Louis T. Yager, son of Peter and first wife, Elizabeth Yager, died in 1907 in a Sacramento hospital. "His remains were brought to Folsom where he was buried."81

Of the eight unmarked graves noted as being part of the Peter Yager family plot, only Elizabeth and Thomas Thomas' graves are questionable as to city of interment. The remainder of the family, Yager's and Thomas', were either buried in the same plot or very near each other. None of the graves are marked today.

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77 Folsom Telegraph, July 23, 1881, page 3, column 1.
78 Folsom Telegraph, March 14, 1885, page 3, column 7.
79 Folsom Telegraph, November 20, 1897, page 3, column 3.
80 Note that in the discussion of the Cook's/American Legion Cemetery, Maggie Cook, daughter of William Cook and sister of Frank Cook, had married David Blower. There was a time on the assessor's records that David Blower was listed as owning these lots or a portion of them.
81 Folsom Telegraph, January 4, 1908, page 1, column 5.
Charles Zimmerman Family Plot

The only marked Zimmerman grave in the cemetery today is that of Bertha Zimmerman who died in August of 1897. She was interred in the "City Cemetery..." "the remains consigned to their last resting place in the family plot."^82

Previous to Bertha's death, however, her sister, Ethel Zimmerman, died in 1893 at the family home in Clarksville, El Dorado County. Charles Zimmerman was the proprietor of the Western Hotel at the corner of Riley and Sutter Street, the building of which remains today. There is no record of Ethel being buried at Clarksville, and with the business being in Folsom, it is believed she was buried in the Citizen's Cemetery, where the tombstone of her sister is located today.

Charles Zimmerman's sister-in-law, Mary Anderson, died at Sacramento in 1911, and was buried in the "Folsom City Cemetery."^83 There are no markers in the cemetery for Ethel Zimmerman or her aunt, Mary Anderson.

KNOWN DISINTERMENTS AND RELOCATED REMAINS

Of all the research performed for this study, only two instances of disinterments were encountered. The first occurred in February of 1924, when the granddaughter of Folsom railroad pioneer, John Kinney (died 1864), and the daughter of lifelong Folsom station master, Joseph Kinney, had the remains of her grandfather, father and mother disinterred and relocated to a cemetery in San Diego. Her brother, Ned Kinney, lived there and they wished the graves to be closer to family.

The second occasion of disinterment came after the death of Katherine Blanchard, wife of Folsom's beloved school professor, J.E. Blanchard. Mrs. Blanchard was interred at East Lawn Cemetery in Sacramento and the surviving family apparently had the remains of Professor Blanchard (died 1914) and their son, Leland (died 1903), removed from the cemetery at Folsom and transferred to East Lawn for re-interment.

CONDITION OF THE CEMETERIES

At the end of the compiled listing may be found accounts of the condition of the cemeteries as found in the newspaper throughout the years. The first article noted occurred in March of 1870 when a thief or thieves desecrated the graves in the Masonic Cemetery by removing plants, flowers and shrubs. A $25 reward was put up by the Masonic Lodge.

With the exception of the vandalism and desecration which occurred in the Jewish and Odd Fellows cemeteries in 1891, no other instance of deliberate damage to grave markers has been

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82 Folsom Telegraph, August 7, 1897, page 3, column 1.

found. In June of 1890, "A Destructive Fire" occurred within the cemetery which spread over the Masonic and Citizen's cemeteries. "A great deal of damage was done to the fences enclosing the graves and nearly all the tombstones were blackened or badly cracked up."

The dismal condition of the cemetery was remarked on in June of 1891. The grounds needed mowing and there was fear another fire would spread through the grave yard as had occurred the previous year. "The remains of a great many people who have no relative here repose in the cemetery, and only a wooden board marks their last resting places. A fire acquiring any headway at all would burn them up and no way to determine the burial would remain.", the paper wrote.

Another fire occurred in 1904, this time at the Jewish Cemetery. It was reported to have done a great deal of damage to the fences.

For many years, committees comprised of members of the Odd Fellows and Masonic lodges attended to the needs of those cemeteries and the Citizen's Cemetery. Later, County Road Crews would undertake to provide clean-up of the grounds. In April of 1939, the paper headlined an article about one such clean-up, "Oldest Tombstone Marks Cholera Victim's Grave." The article informed that the tombstone of Henry Probasco had been found during the clean-up by the county road crews. It related that Mrs. O.J. Miller recalled her father telling of hearing his uncle say that a colony of Germans who located near Folsom in early days, suffered an epidemic of Cholera. "It seems likely that Henry Probasgo (sic) may have been a victim of that epidemic.", the paper wrote, having drawn its conclusion on erroneous historic information.

In 1942, in preparation for the "Annual Road Day" during which the cemeteries would again be cleaned, the paper noted that "an additional piece of ground" had been taken up and added to the Citizen's Cemetery. This was likely Lots 1 through 3 of Block 44 (which was later sold to Lakeside Cemetery by the County Tax Collector in 1976).

POSTSCRIPT

This report contains many facts which are difficult to fathom or believe. It is incomprehensible to most of us that such activity can and does occur. What we all must reconcile ourselves to is that those who participate in the "death industry" are in it strictly for one thing - profit. When a cemetery fills to capacity and beyond, there is little profit to be gained in the future.

When those interred in a cemetery have no one to visit them, no one to watch over them, the cemetery operators know this. They can track visitations by the flowers left at the graves. They are also aware, on filling out death certificates for families or friends, if there is anyone left in a given family who will be around in 10 or 20 years.

Funeral directors and employees all act as if they feel your pain on losing a loved one. They become a close confidant because they can perform the "ugly" business you cannot. You become dependent upon their expertise and knowledge and you feel comforted by their caring attitudes. Do not be fooled. They teach all this in undertaking classes.
The best reference regarding the modern funeral home and cemetery industry was written by Jessica Mittford in the mid-1960's. "The American Way of Death" is an excellent resource from which to educate and understand how this most necessary of all industries has evolved over time. How they have a built in business that is never going to go away, how you are dependent on their services and that, in the numbness of loss and grief, you and your pocketbook are vulnerable.

The cemetery industry in California is an extremely corrupt and dirty business. In 1995 alone two cemeteries in southern California were closed by the State and taken into receivership. One, Lincoln Memorial Park in Carson, California, was found to have utilized the same grave and coffin for up to eight burials a day, discarding the remains in a mass grave at the rear of their grounds. They had removed grave markers and utilized them for street curbing. Distraught families who broke into mausoleum crypts thinking they would find the coffins of their loved ones, found empty space instead.

Other cemeteries are presently under investigation for similar practices. The unfortunate part about these matters is that, after years of being under the control of those employed in the cemetery industry, State laws enacted to regulate the industry have been diluted to the point that there is no enforcement or punishment capability. A law may say "Don't do this.", but it gives no one a way to stop a corrupt operator from committing the act.

As it stands now, the Department of Consumer Affairs seems to be actively pursuing those cemetery operators who have raided their "endowment" accounts - stolen from the monies intended to be there when a cemetery could no longer be actively used. DCA's focus does not seem to be geared toward correcting abuses of older graves or the re-selling of pre-owned plots. And until laws are enacted which provide enforcement and punishment, these unlawful activities will continue to occur.

At Lakeside Cemetery, it continued to occur even while the operators were being investigated. One of the comments made by Robert Claney to the DCA inspector, Ron DeMaderios, was that in the early years the graves were much deeper and over time the coffins and remains have collapsed and condensed to a thickness of approximately 4 to 6 inches. To paraphrase Mr. Claney based on what Mr. DeMaderios told me, "We don't bury that deep any longer. If we bury over an older grave, who cares?"

Bury your loved ones here, if you like. But keep in mind, it would be nice to know whose grave you will be re-using or atop which pioneer citizen of Folsom your loved one will be interred.

**ADDENDUM, December 6, 2002:**

A new pattern of illicit behavior has begun to be discovered by the State Cemetery and Funeral Bureau in California. For many years crematory operators went unregulated. Although the State has recently enacted legislation which occurred in reaction to the Georgia incident in which a crematorium operator left hundreds of corpses lying about his property, crematories in California have also been discovered to have their problems.
As one example, in 1998 the Rogers Family Funeral Home operated the crematorium at the Pacheco Cemetery in Contra Costa County. The principal players in that scenario were Christopher and Laurel Rogers, husband and wife. The state discovered that Rogers had left corpses and cremated remains unattended and improperly handled. Though the couple was prosecuted, the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau instead settled the case out of court by revoking their licenses to operate and attaching a condition that if the couple ever again attempted to obtain licensure in California the State would require them to reimburse the $32,000 in investigation costs it had incurred.

Some penalty.
Attachment 6

Letters from the Public
September 11, 2002

Dear Commissioners of Folsom Historic District:

The crematorium proposal for Lakeside Cemetery must not be approved!

Aside from the obvious zoning violation of putting industry in a residential area, there are compelling health concerns that should absolutely prevent this proposal from further consideration.

As a physician and resident of the Preserve, I have researched the health related impact a crematorium would have on the people who live here. I am appalled by the deleterious effects I and my neighbors would suffer by living next to such a toxic polluter.

Inhaled mercury vapors can cause chemical pneumonitis and may result even in pulmonary edema (swelling of the lungs). Mouth sores extending down the gastrointestinal tract may occur. Chronic exposure is even worse as the central and peripheral nervous systems are affected with brain and nerve damage which may be irreversible. Effects on children are more pronounced as their smaller bodies can’t handle as much poison. Mercury is a well-known teratogen which leads to miscarriages and birth defects.

The smoke, ash, and odor, even without the mercury, pose a pulmonary risk in acute and chronic exposure to basically, anyone with lungs. This risk is greater for those who are medically fragile or have pre-existing lung conditions such as asthma or emphysema.

Once these particles find their way into swimming pools, and our treasured Lake Natoma, more health hazards abound, and they are nearly impossible to clean up. Our health, lives, and futures depend on each of you voting your conscious, and your intellect. Given the facts, you can’t approve such a harmful proposal.

Sincerely,

Terry G. Murphy MD, MS, FACEP

& Friends & Neighbors of the Preserve
A. LAURENT COMPLAINT
CREMATORIUM C.U.P. APPLICATION

I reviewed the Folsom application PN 02-258, (published August 2002, for September 18, 2002 hearing) on August 26, 2002. I documented that the Application File at the Folsom Planning Dept. did NOT have the required documents. August 26, 2002, Public Records Request for copies attached. (The city refused to fulfill my 8/26 request.) There was NO Initial Study, no copies of NOI, NOP, NOD; no Proofs of Posting. Arbitrarily, the public hearing was continued to October. Perhaps because we objected to the city council.

PN 02-258: application for conditional use permit to construct and operate a crematorium in Lakeside Cemetery, despite the following:

1. Crematorium is NOT a permitted use in any Folsom zoning district. (FMC Title 17)
2. The cemetery contains many old trees, and is part of the forest at Lake Natoma -- the same forest that is in a State Park on the American River.
3. The proposed site for a crematorium abuts single family homes on two sides.
4. The proposed site abuts Federal Waters and Federal land operated at a State Park on two sides.
5. The land is zoned “Open Space Conservation.” (FMC Title 17)
6. The property lacks adequate access for fire and emergency protection. There is no access to the State Park, should a crematorium fire accident occur.
7. The application file is incomplete: no title.
8. There are multiple CEQA violations: Notices not filed. NO Initial Study in file 8/26/02. Owner said he did not do one.
9. The file contains absolutely no input from oversight Trustee agencies, because proper, legally mandated, Notices were never filed with the State and County agencies.
10. The cemetery ownership has a checkered history, which includes multiple selling of the same plots, disappearance of graves and markers, marijuana cultivation, burial outside boundaries.

In an ordinary city, such facts would prevent such a proposal from being put forward. I spoke with the cemetery owner August 26, 2002. I informed him of the CEQA deficiencies in his application. I also informed him it is necessary to attach a copy of the title to the property because he sold it recently and rebought it last year. The purchaser contacted me after discovering the reselling of plots, grave removals, pot garden, encroachments, and more.

I request your office investigate this case. This is not the only bogus rezoning/use request facing me. The city Rezone Committee recommended rezoning a State-regulated toxic site for Affordable Housing high density zoning. Planning Staff allowed an application to make a public presentation before the Historic District Commission without making an application, without giving any notices, and without paying required fees. This is typical Folsom operation.

Submitted 9/17/02 by Laurette J. Laurent

CC: LNS, media
Jeff Ferreira-Pro, Chairman
Historic District Commissioners
Planning Inspection & Permitting Dept.
Folsom City Hall
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, Ca., 95630

September 27, 2002

This letter is being written to protest the Lakeside Memorial Cemetery and Mausoleum Crematorium’s impact on the National and California Registered Landmark Chung Wah Memorial Cemetery and State Historical Point of Interest Young Wo Memorial Cemetery in order to maintain preservation of the circa Chinese Gold Rush cultural, religious and archaeological special features.

These circa Chinese Gold Rush cemeteries for their descendants today continue to be held in solemn spiritual reverence and profound sacred esteem for those interned eternally.

The existing metal onsite maintenance building at Lakeside Cemetery and Mausoleum has 2 garage rollup doors. Because of cremated ashes in the air — either from the crematorium chimney; when ashes are put/poured into a container; through clean-up of ash residue waste disposal or cleaning up of interior crematorium — the potential impact over time would be significant to both Chung Wah Memorial Cemetery and Young Wo Memorial Cemetery. Remnants ashes that are at the crematorium will be in the air and with winds will have to land someplace such as the Chinese burial mounds.

If the crematorium conditional use permit is approved, the most responsible conditions should be mandated to whomever owns, operates, cleans and removes the crematorium ashes. It is requested that this letter be included in tonight’s minutes of the Historic District Commission Meeting.

Respectfully,

JUNE C. CHAN

cc:
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We protest the Lakeside Memorial Cemetery and Møusoleum building an crematorium at Natoma Street and Forrest Street. We feel that this crematorium would impact the Historic District and have an devastating/bad effect on air, environment, health, humans, animals, life, cultural, and archeological landmarks, residents etc. We request that both an Environmental Study and Environmental Impact Report be done.

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September 27, 2002

Mr. David Storer, Director
Planning, Permitting & Inspections
City of Folsom
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

RE: Comments on the Initial Study/Draft Mitigated Negative Declaration for Lakeside Cemetery Conditional Use Permit, 1201 Forrest Street (PN02-258)

Dear Mr. Storer:

I have reviewed the above-referenced CEQA documents and I have the following comments:

**Description of Project**
The project description does not provide adequate information to assess the potential environmental impacts. While this section describes where the crematorium will be installed, it does not include information on the crematorium structure itself. CEQA Guidelines state that the description should include “the whole action involved” to help the public understand the whole project. In addition, I believe that the following information should be provided:

1. What are the proposed hours of operation of the project?
2. How long will this proposed project be allowed to operate under a conditional use permit? Is there a time limit, i.e. 2 years, 20 years?

**Environmental Factors Potentially Affected**
It states that the proposed project is consistent with the General Plan and with applicable zoning. According to Section 17.39.020 of the City Municipal Code, permitted uses in Open Space and Conservation Districts do not include crematoriums.

In addition, the City is relying on a 14-year-old Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and General Plan for assessing potential significant effects for this project. As many changes and much growth have occurred in the City since 1988, I believe that information in these documents is too outdated to be relied upon for this proposed project.

**I. Land Use and Planning**
As stated above, this proposed project is not consistent with existing zoning and the General Plan, so “b”, should be checked either “potentially or “less that with mitigation” rather than “no impact.”

Under the discussion section, it states that this proposed project is consistent with the General Plan Designation of Open Space, based on the assumption that a conditional use permit is required for a cemetery. This analysis is confusing and misleading.
As the proposed project is located in the Historic District, reference to any conflict with the Historic District Specific Plan should be discussed. Also, according to the City's Municipal Code Section 17.52.360, Conditional Use Permit review, it states that the Historic District Commission has the final authority relating to the issuance of conditional use permits for projects located in the Historic District. This information should be included in the discussion and the analysis of potential impacts.

VII. Noise
As the hours of operation for this proposed project are not included in this initial study, I do not believe that a determination on whether this proposed project complies with the City's Noise Ordinance is possible.

Also, the discussion section states that a "standard condition regarding hours of operation will be included with the conditions of approval of this project." It is difficult for the public to assess possible noise impacts without having a description of these conditions. As such, I believe that "potentially significant" is more appropriate.

IX. Air Quality
This section does not adequately assess potential environmental impacts from this proposed project. This section includes a comprehensive discussion of the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District standards, but it does not include specific information on potential air quality impacts from this proposed project. For example:

1. What are the pollutants from the crematorium?
2. What will the levels of pollutants be for the crematorium?
3. What are the prevailing winds for the area? What is the projected trajectory for air pollutants?
4. What will the odor levels be?
5. What about air emissions from metals such as mercury, lead, etc?

As there is no specific information and analysis on potential air pollutants from this proposed project, an analysis and determination of potential impacts cannot be completed. As such, I believe that "potentially significant" should be checked instead.

XII. Hazards and Hazardous Materials
The discussion section states that no health hazards are associated with crematory use. Other than Sacramento County, has the City researched or consulted with other health and research entities to make this determination? Has the County conducted health and risk assessments on crematoriums to be able to make this statement? If not, it appears to me that this statement is not appropriate unless substantiated by experts. What about potential health risks from mercury?

In addition, how will residual cremation remains be disposed of?

XV. Cultural Resources
As the proposed project is adjacent to an historical landmark (Chung Wah Chinese Cemetery), and is located within a cemetery with historical significance of its own, I don’t believe that there will be "no impact" on a historic resource. The Lakeside Cemetery contains many graves of California Pioneers.

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XVIII. Earlier Analyses
As stated previously, relying upon an out-dated 1988 EIR for the General Plan is not adequate, and thus the impacts are not adequately addressed. Further, mitigation measures incorporated into the proposed project are also inadequately analyzed, and site-specific information is not provided.

While earlier analysis may be used, CEQA requires that mitigation measures be described which were incorporated or refined from the earlier document and the extent to which they address site-specific conditions for the project.

Other Comments

Mitigation Monitoring or Reporting Plan
What mitigation monitoring or reporting program will the City establish for this mitigated negative declaration? CEQA requires that the City adopt a program of monitoring or reporting to insure that mitigation measures are complied with (Public Resources Code, Section 21081.6).

Approval of Other Public Agencies
The CEQA Environmental Checklist Form included in the CEQA Guidelines includes a question on other public agency approvals. Doesn't the Historic District Commission have to approve this project, and the State Cemetery and Funeral Board approve the license? Also, the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District should be included.

Public Noticing and Comment Period
The public comment period was not provided on the CEQA package signed August 29, 2002. Also, when and what media was the public notice made for these CEQA documents?

Environmental Impact Report
Due to the reliance on an out-dated EIR, and due to potentially significant impacts, I believe an EIR is more appropriate than a mitigated negative declaration for this proposed project. In addition, as I believe that this is a controversial project it warrants an EIR.

Sincerely,

Nancy Carroll

cc: Jeff Starsky, Folsom Mayor
cc: Kerri Howell, Folsom Vice-Mayor
cc: Cyndi Dow, City Council Member
cc: Eric King, City Council Member
cc: Steve Miklos, City Council Member
cc: Jeff Ferreira-Pro, Chair, Historic District Commission
cc: Dan Burgoyne, Member, Historic District Commission
cc: Candy Miller, Member, Historic District Commission
cc: Mary Hegarty, Member, Historic District Commission
cc: Dan McNeil, Member, Historic District Commission
cc: John Messner, Member, Historic District Commission
cc: Jerry Fry, Member, Historic District Commission
cc: Martha Clark Lofgren, City Manager
cc: Mary Rigney, The Preserves/Natoma Shores Neighborhood Alliance
Members, Folsom Historic District Commission
50 Natoma Street
Folsom CA 95630

Request for official notice: 1200 block of Mormon Street, public street in the city of Folsom

Dear HDC Members:

With the assistance of Folsom staff, I was able to obtain records for property which is the subject of a Conditional Use Permit by owners, Messrs. Claney. Pursuant to FMC 17.52.360 the Historic District Committee has jurisdiction.

Using legal records, it was possible to identify Mormon Street as a dedicated Folsom street and Right of Way existing for over 100 years. City staff were kind enough to show me that Mormon Street southwest of Forrest Street is the dedicated city street providing access to APN 070 0130 002 000, commonly known as 1221 Mormon Street, Folsom CA.

ILLEGAL TO CREATE A LAND-LOCKED PARCEL: City staff reminded me that under California law, Mormon Street COULD NOT be abandoned because it is ILLEGAL to create a legal parcel that has no public access. 1221 Mormon is accessed/served by Mormon Street.

RECORDS SEARCH: a search of records indicated that Mormon Street southwest of Forrest Street WAS NOT ABANDONED by the city.

STREET SIGNAGE: The 1200 block of Mormon Street southwest of Forrest Street is posted with an official Folsom street sign.

ATTACHMENTS: Metroscan APN records from Sacramento County Clerk Recorders' Office:
1. 1201 Forrest Street, Lakeside Memorial Lawn
2. 1221 Mormon Street, Chung Wah

ACTION REQUEST: I am requesting the Members of HDC take official notice of fact that Mormon Street southwest of Forrest Street is a dedicated Folsom street and Public Right of Way, which has existed continuously since Theodore Judah drew the city subdivision in the nineteenth century; and that 1221 Mormon Street is a Lot/parcel of Record in Sacramento County,

Sincerely,

Laurette J. Laurent

Att:
Cc: Preserves Natoma Shores Neighborhood Alliance
Members, Folsom Historic District Commission
50 Natoma Street
Folsom CA 95630

Re: DEED Required in Application for Conditional Use Permit 1201 Forrest Street

Dear HDC Members:

In reviewing this application file, I noted that if the property has changed hands within the year prior to the initial application, the owners are required to submit a copy of the deed. This requirement is stated on the city of Folsom Application. It is my understanding that the Application must be complete in order to proceed to a Public Hearing and Finding of Fact Hearing.

I believe Lakeside Memorial Lawn was purchased by Messrs. Claney from a large corporation during 2002. I believe this because several weeks ago Mr. Loren Claney told me this personally. He stated he repurchased Lakeside Memorial from the corporation to which it was sold the previous year.

Since the property in question changed ownership with one year, the new owners are required to file a copy of the Deed with the Application for Conditional Use.

If I were a member of the HDC I would desire to know the facts and circumstances surrounding the sale and quick repurchase of Lakeside Memorial by Messrs. Claney, because they pertinent,

When the Deed is obtained, I request to be informed so that I may obtain a copy of the complete Condition Use Application File.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Laurette J. Laurent

Cc: Preserves Natoma Shores Neighborhood Alliance
Laurette J. Laurent  
Land Use Consultant  
Folsom, CA  95630-2468  

November 25, 2002  

Members, Folsom Historic District Commission  
50 Natoma Street  
Folsom CA 95630  

Re: STANDARDS for granting Conditional Use Permits  

Dear HDC Members:  

I would like to obtain a copy of the STANDARDS utilized when evaluating a conditional use permit pursuant to Folsom Municipal Code Section 17.52.360.  

What I am seeking is the set of rules, guidelines, formal criteria, which the Historic District Commission is required to use when evaluating an application received for a CUP, as well as any supporting material contained in FMC and enabling legislation.  

I have an immediate need for this information. Please ask your city support staff to forward this information to me.  

Thank you for your attention to this matter.  

Sincerely,  

[Signature]  

Laurette J. Laurent  

Cc: Preserves Natoma Shores Neighborhood Alliance  

ATT: FMC 17.52.360
Section 17.52.360 Conditional use permit review.

A. The historic district commission shall have final authority relating to the issuance of conditional use permits for any of the uses or purposes for which such permits are required or permitted by the terms of this title, within the boundaries of the historic district.

B. In acting upon applications for conditional use permits, the historic district commission shall adhere to the procedural requirements set forth in Chapter 17.60, except for matters of appeal, which shall be governed by this chapter. (Ord. 890 § 2 (part), 1998)
Eric Dutton, Chief, Fire Department  
City of Folsom  
50 Natoma Street  
Folsom, CA 95630

Re: LAKESIDE CREMATORIUM PROPOSAL

Dear Chief Dutton:

In decades of practice, I have always had an excellent rapport with fire professionals and regulators. I am a March 2002 Regional Water Quality Control Board Designated Party. At this moment I am smelling the smoke from the wildfires up the hill that started in slash after inches of rain. The fires underscore serious problems with this application. I spoke with owner Loren Claney, who said he was unable to afford experts because of his financial condition since he had to repurchase Lakeside.

HIGH TEMPERATURE FURNACE IN A FOREST??

I am seeking Fire Marshall’s expertise on this application for what is a gigantic furnace, in what is in fact a forest. I attach documents and photos. Did Planning Department, Michael Johnson, or anyone seek your input when this proposal came in last summer? I believe not, because it was brought to the Historic District Commission by staff without discussion of fire danger, emergency access, and misuse of public land. There is no legislation even allowing consideration of this usage, let alone in a forest.

FACTS: 1. A crematorium is NOT a use eligible for a Conditional Use Permit within the Historic District, nor any zoning district in Folsom. The site is zoned Open Space Conservation.  
2. The proposed tin shed to house the furnace abuts Federal lands operated as a State Park.  
3. Lakeside Memorial Lawn cemetery is a wooded site within the larger Park forest.  
4. There is absolutely no fire or emergency access to the rear of this site.  
5. The owners have a checkered legal compliance history and were forced to repurchase it.  
6. The owners make a commercial profit by utilizing city land. The Encroachments are numerous, and harm the public and adjacent property owners.  
7. One encroachment is the obstruction of Mormon Street pavement and Right of Way with burial sites. This is a very serious issue.  
8. The Mormon and other city street encroachments have a direct impact on fire & emergency access to other properties.  
9. The Mormon Street encroachment restricts the use and access to abutting Chinese Cemetery property which contains official California Historical Sites of Interest.  
10. The owners block and lock public street at times.  
11. There are brand new preconditions imposed by the Governor upon operators of crematories (which resulted from unscrupulous acts by operators). Mr. Claney has notshown he meets all the newly legislated requirements for crematory owners/operators.  
12. Lakeside owners have cut down large historic oak and pine trees and left the materials which are tinder-dry fire hazards. Attached is a photograph of such an instance of cut trees dumped over the ravine at the edge of the public forest.

I request a violation notice be issued to the owner, and fire hazards be immediately abated. I request the city enforce the NPDES Permit, Tree Ordinance, Subdivision Code, and Health & Safety Codes.
13. For unknown reasons, a full Environmental Impact Report has not been done, despite the huge implications for Lake Natoma/American River and Federal Lands, State Park. (PIP staff apparently have been directed to rely upon verbiage in the 1988 General Plan to justify Negative Declarations. However, the California Attorney General has declared the General Plan INVALID.)

Given the facts, and the attached information about pollution issues, it is apparent a full investigation of the application was not performed. Issues for Fire Marshall include:

1. Illegal encroachments on fire access streets and rights of way,
2. Potential desecration of graves during legal Fire Department access to 1221 Mormon Street for fire protection or other emergency,
3. Cutting of protected trees, then dumping and leaving them as fire hazards,
4. Impact of encroachments and obstruction of public streets on cooperative agreements under which Folsom Fire Department provides emergency assistance to other agencies,
5. Impact of encroachments on FFD ability to serve Young Wo Circle properties,
6. Permitting a gas furnace in Open Space Conservation zone,
7. Permitting a gas furnace in forested unimproved location (State Park) habitat for many forest creatures and protected species,
8. (Faulty) process, by which this application reached the Public Hearing stage without formal Findings of Fact by Folsom Fire Department regarding safety issues,
9. Preparation of a full CUP Application, including ALL required documents, and payment of all fees necessary to cover the costs of FFD investigating the application,
10. Instituting changes necessary to ensure Folsom Fire Department reviews ALL applications for development, improvement, encroachment impacting fire and safety access. Checklist.

This last point is very important. My home is located within a few hundred feet of the proposed furnace. A wild fire could destroy abutting homes as a result of the misuse of public lands and willful obstruction of public streets and ROWs. I have documented moving of markers, and grading changes in public ROWs in the cemetery, which make me suspect they might bury more bodies in dedicated street ROWs. ("Baby Land" is in Mormon St.) Note in the attached Cella Barr Plat the "Encroachments" is blacked out. The original document must be produced. I would like to see a copy of the original.

Why is the city not protecting public streets and rights of way for FFD access? Why is the city not enforcing against the tree destruction and dumping of them to create fire hazards? Why is the city not enforcing the State Codes governing proper use of land and protection of the health, safety, and welfare?? Why doesn’t the city require full street improvements to Code? Why is public land allowed to be used for private gain? Why is this property owner permitted to endanger us and hinder our Fire Fighters from doing their job?

Because of the gravity of the situation, I am copying this letter to impacted entities. I am sure you will address these serious questions in order to protect us. I request a copy of your report. If you have questions, please contact me at [Redacted]

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Laurette J. Laurent
DRAIN PIPE FROM AREA OF CONSTRUCTION

DUMPING ONTO STATE PARK (FED. LAND)

BELOW,

LAKESIDE MEM. LAWN CEMETERY

1201 LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN
FOLSON BLVD.

LOCATION:

1921 MORENO ST.

REAR OF

1201 LAKESIDE MEMORIAL LAWN
FOLSON BLVD.

FEDERAL ROAD

CREMATORY CONSTRUCTION

WITHOUT GULF
TINDER - DRY

REMAINS OF CUT DOWN LIVE OAK TREE, DUMPED OFF 'LAKESIDE DOWN RAVINE'.

STUMPS

FEDERAL LAND AT AMERICAN RIVER IN REAR OF PHOTO

STUMP OF ~27-32" PINE TREE

SIGN POINTING TO MORMON STREET INSIDE LAKESIDE MEM. LAWN GATE

LAKESIDE MEM. LAWN

2 OF 4
STUMP/REMAINS
OF PINE TREE
REAR OF
1221 MORMON
LAKESIDE
MEMORIAL
LAWN
TINDER DRY

DRY FALLEN TREES
FED. LAND & LAKE NATOMA - AMERICAN RIVER

LAKESIDE MEM. LAWN

3 OF 4
Spilled liquid from 55 gal. container.

Drum #1 with feed tube into wet well

Locked down at SS lift station 1330 Young Rd circle, Folsom.

Leaking liquid onto state park.

Drum #1 receiving vent gases.
To: Interested Party, Organization, Agency

LAKESIDE CREMATORY IN THE FOREST

As you know, November 27, 2002, I wrote a detailed letter to Folsom Fire Chief Eric Dutton. I hand-carried it to Fire Marshall Ron Phillips and had a good discussion with him and two others. December 2, 2002, I had a telephone conversation with Chief Dutton. I called him because I did not receive the return call promised to me the 27th. He told me that everything is “great” in Folsom and he saw all development and improvement proposals. I reminded him that he never saw the incinerator in a forest proposal made August 2002, until I brought the records to him on Nov. 27th. I informed him of another huge local development proposal that has never been submitted to him even though it was discussed at Public Hearing.

I realize that the development interests micro-manage the entire city of Folsom, but it is outrageous to endanger the health and safety of a city for the sake of aiding private interests. In this case, I refer specifically to the potential for a 2000 degree inferno machine in a forest where there is NO ACCESS!! There is no access to the garage where the Claney’s want to put an incinerator. He expects to have natural gas or PROPANE in a location unreachable in an emergency. I documented the forest nature of the location, the lack of access for emergency vehicles. I documented the misuse of dedicated public streets, and inappropriate re-grading.

I appealed to Chief Dutton’s sense of decency in protecting the lives of his fire-fighters who are called upon to lay their lives on the line for these property owners. I gave him color photos of the trees illegally chopped down and dumped on the cemetery and adjacent lands – creating fuel for an inferno. I gave him the news article detailing the health objections of a physician. I told him I learned that a gas explosion could blow a fire engine 300 feet away. I told him I learned a gas fire could spread through the entire forest along the American River, and destroy our homes easily. I described the smell of the Plum wildfire taking place as I wrote my 27th letter. I told him he may think the city is OK, but I don’t want innocent people endangered.

UPDATE: There is none from Fire Chief Dutton. He asked me when the application was filed, and when it goes to the Historic District (Plan) Commission for a Conditional Use Permit hearing. Rumor has it, that date is 12/18/02. Who knows around here?
Attachment 7

Site Photographs
CITY OF FOLSOM
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION AGENDA
January 15, 2003
City Hall, 50 Natoma Street
Planning, Inspections and Permitting Conference Room
Folsom, California 95630
5:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION: Chair Jeff Ferreira-Pro; Vice-Chair Dan McNeil; Commissioners: Jerry Fry, Candy Miller, Mark Roberts; Commissioner-Elect Susan Mehring

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION: The Historic District Commission welcomes and encourages participation in City Historic District Commission meetings, and will allow up to 5 minutes for expression on a non-agenda item. Matters under the jurisdiction of the Commission, and not on the posted agenda, may be addressed by the general public; however, California law prohibits the Commission from taking action on any matter which is not on the posted agenda unless it is determined to be an emergency by the Commission.

OATH OF OFFICE – FOLSOM HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

1. Susan Mehring

MINUTES: Minutes of December 18, 2002 stand approved unless there are corrections.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. PN 02-258, 1201 Forrest Street, Conditional Use Permit to Operate a Crematorium

Lorin Claney
% Miller Funeral Home
507 Scott Street
Folsom, CA 95630

A Public Hearing to consider a request from Lakeside Cemetery for a Conditional Use Permit to operate a Crematorium located at Lakeside Cemetery at an existing cemetery at 1201 Forrest Street. The site is designated Open Space (OS) in the General Plan and zoned Open Space Conservation District (OSC) and is located within the Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic Commercial Primary Area of the Historic District. (Project Planner: Assistant Planner Jane Talbot)

Committee/Commissions:

Historic District Commission:

Director:

The next Historic District Commission meeting will be held on January 15, 2003. Additional non-public hearing items may be added to the agenda; any such additions will be posted on the bulletin board in the foyer at City Hall at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. Persons having questions on any of these items can visit the Planning, Inspections, & Permitting Department during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.) at City Hall, 2nd Floor, 50 Natoma Street, Folsom, California, prior to the meeting. The phone number is 355-7222 and FAX number is 355-7274.

NOTICE REGARDING CHALLENGES TO DECISIONS

The appeal period for Historic District Commission Action: Pursuant to all applicable laws and regulations, including without limitation, California Government Code, Section 65009 and/or California Public Resources Code, Section 21177, if you wish to challenge in court any of the above decisions (regarding planning, zoning, and/or environmental decisions), you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing(s) described in this notice/agenda, or in written correspondence delivered to the City at, or prior to, this public hearing. Any appeal of a Historic District Commission action must be filed, in writing with the City Clerk’s Office no later than ten (10) days from the date of the action. A fee of $150 shall accompany any appeal, payable at such time the appeal is filed.
September 9, 2021

Historic District Commission
City of Folsom
50 Natoma Street
Folsom, CA 95630

RE: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium Proposal
Hearing Date September 15, 2021

Dear Commissioners:

The same crematorium proposal herein under consideration was advanced by Lakeside nearly 19 years ago as PN02-258 and scheduled for hearing before this Commission on January 15, 2003. However, that hearing was canceled and did not go forward when applicant Lakeside withdrew the proposal, apparently in light of the Staff Report prepared by the City recommending the denial of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to operate a crematorium on the property. Copies of that Staff Report (minus voluminous attachments) and the “canceled” meeting notification are attached as Exhibits “A” and “B,” respectively.

The reasons advanced in the Staff Report as the basis for its recommendation of denial can be summarized as follows:

a. The use applied for was detrimental to the health, safety, or general welfare of the community in that the use would impact the historical character of the existing cemetery and the historical use of the surrounding area;

b. The conglomeration of historic cemeteries in the area combined with the California State Dredger Tailings Preserve dating back to the 1850s creates a rare combination of unique cultural resources that will be impacted negatively by the proposal; and

c. The use of the proposed project is not consistent with Goal 2 of the City’s Historic District Design and Development Guidelines in that it did not maintain the historic use of the site and, in addition, did not further Design and Development Guideline Policies 2.1, 2.2, and 2.3 (as detailed at the bottom of page 4. of Exhibit “A,” attached).

In conclusion, the CUP sought by the applicant in this instance is identical to the CUP sought back in early 2003, and the applicant has presented no facts to the contrary. The proposal for the issuance of a CUP allowing the construction and operation of a crematorium in the historic area in question was a bad idea back in 2003 and remains a bad idea today. The factual basis and logic behind the 2003 staff Report remains valid, and the current request for approval of a CUP for the proposed crematory should be denied for the reasons expressed therein.

Very Truly Yours,

Terry L. Sorensen
TS/dg

attachments: “A” and “B”
PROJECT TITLE: Lakeside Cemetery Crematorium

PROPOSAL: Request for approval of a Conditional Use Permit to allow for the operation of crematorium

RECOMMENDATION: Denial

APPLICANT AND OWNER: Lorin Claney

LOCATION: 1201 Forrest Street

ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO.: 070-0082-014, 070-0130-002, 070-0130-004

ATTACHED REFERENCE MATERIAL:
1. Vicinity Map
2. Site Plan, dated 12/19/97
3. Project Description and Crematorium Illustrations
4. Documentation from the Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission
5. Lakeside Cemetery Research Paper written by Sue Silver
6. Letters from the Public
7. Site Photographs

PROJECT PLANNER: Jane Talbot, Assistant Planner

BACKGROUND
The Planning Commission approved a Use Permit and Variance for Mausoleums at Lakeside Memorial Lawn in 1991 (PC91-042). An amendment to the approval was granted in 1995 (PC95-033). That approval allowed for the construction of twelve mausoleums. To date, one mausoleum has been built and one additional mausoleum is under construction. An existing maintenance building, approximately 975 square feet in area, is located along the south border of the cemetery. The front of the project site is mostly level with a slight to moderate downward slope towards the rear of the site. Lakeside Cemetery has a variety of mature deciduous and evergreen trees. The front of the cemetery, along Forrest Street, is bounded by a brick wall capped with wrought iron fencing.
The project site consists of three parcels totaling 10 acres within the Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District. It is located on the west side of Polkston Boulevard at 1201 Forrest Street. The property is bounded by the Chung Wah Cemetery and the American River Recreation Area to the west, single-family residences to the north, Forrest Street to the east, and Mountain Avenue to the south. Across Forrest Street are single-family residences.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION
The applicant is requesting approval of a Conditional Use Permit to install and operate a crematorium at the existing Lakeside Cemetery at 1201 Forrest Street. The applicant proposes to install the cremation equipment inside an existing maintenance building as indicated on the attached site plan. The maintenance building is made of corrugated metal and currently is used for the storage of grounds maintenance equipment. The applicant proposes to install a 10-foot by 30-foot “Tuff Shed” adjacent to the existing maintenance building to store the displaced maintenance equipment. No new utilities are proposed to be connected to the shed.

GENERAL PLAN/ZONING CONFORMANCE
The General Plan land use designation for the project site is OS (Open Space). The zoning designation for the project site is OS/PB (Open Space/Public Primary Area of the Historic District). The zoning district is consistent with the General Plan designation. Cemeteries are a permitted use within the OS/PB zoning upon approval of a Conditional Use Permit. The subject cemetery has been in operation since the 1800's and is a permitted use. Crematoriums are not specifically addressed in the Folsom Municipal Code. Such uses that are not specifically addressed within the Folsom Municipal Code require the approval of a Conditional Use Permit.

LAND USE COMPATIBILITY/CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT
When approving a Conditional Use Permit, the Historic District Commission must make a finding that a project’s impact on health, safety and welfare will not be detrimental to the health, safety, peace, morals, comfort and general welfare of a proposed use. Some of the comments received suggest that the proposed project may impact health, safety, and welfare. Without additional environmental studies, staff cannot support or refute any of these assertions (FMC 15.60). As staff is recommending denial, based upon the appropriateness of the land use, these necessary additional environmental studies have not been prepared. Should it be the Historic District Commission’s desire to proceed with this application, staff will commence with the additional environmental studies.

Historical Significance
Information provided to staff illustrates that Lakeside Cemetery is actually a conglomeration of several cemeteries that have merged over the years. This conglomeration includes the Citizen’s, Jewish, Masonic, Negro Bar, Cook’s/American Legion, and Odd Fellows cemeteries that date back to around 1850. Adjacent to this site is the Chung Wah Chinese Cemetery. These cemetery sites, along with the neighboring California State Datainer Talusings Preserve, create a combination of rare cultural resources grouped into one small area. This combination, in reality, is an extremely unique resource according to Commissioners with the Sacramento County Historical Cemetery Commission.
Goal 2 of the Design and Development Guidelines defines the City's objective for the Preservation of Historic Sites as:

'To maintain, restore, and reconstruct sites which represent the history of the Folsom area.'

The supporting policies indicate how the City can accomplish this goal. Policy 2.1 states that locally significant structures and sites should be identified and documented to facilitate their preservation or restoration. To date, Commissioners from Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission have identified this site as locally significant, and the Commissioners intend to present Lakeside Cemetery to the Sacramento Board of Supervisors for designation as an historic cemetery.

Policy 2.2 advocates that the City should encourage National Register nomination of historic buildings, as well as other historical designations by state or local agencies. Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for a contemporary land use (i.e., the crematorium) may jeopardize the eligibility status of the site and might work to discourage rather than to encourage National Register nomination.

Policy 2.3 explains the priorities with which the City should evaluate proposed projects. The preference should be given to authentic restoration of historical buildings and sites. Based on the information provided to staff by the Sacramento County Historic Cemetery Commission, the crematorium is not a consistent, or authentic, use with a historic cemetery. Therefore, staff has determined that the proposed project is not consistent with Policies 2.1, 2.2, 2.3, and Goal 2 of the Design and Development Guidelines.

PUBLIC INPUT

The applicant held a community meeting to inform the public about the project on September 19, 2002. There was much public participation in the project at that meeting. At the meeting, issues related to property values, air quality, traffic, and cultural resources were raised. During the public comment period, staff received comments from numerous individuals and organizations. (The written comments received are attached to this report.) The information received indicates that a crematorium is not a use that is consistent in historic cemeteries.

ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

An Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration were originally published on August 29, 2002. Staff received feedback regarding the Initial Study. A number of issues relating to the proposed use were raised including land use and planning, noise, air quality, hazardous materials, and cultural resources. As stated previously, staff has determined that the proposal is not compatible with the existing historical character of the cemetery, and staff is recommending denial of the request. According to the California Environmental Quality Act, "CEQA does not apply to projects which a public agency rejects or disapproves." Should the Historic District Commission conclude that the proposal is compatible with the existing historic cemetery use, the Commission will need to direct staff to conduct further research on the issues raised on this project and return to the Commission with the appropriate environmental document.
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION ACTION
MOVE TO DENY THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO OPERATE A CREMATORIUM AT AN EXISTING CEMETERY AT 1201 FORREST STREET IN THE HISTORIC DISTRICT.

FINDINGS FOR DENIAL:

A. NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN AT THE TIME AND IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND CITY CODE.

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2. APPROVAL OF A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR A CONTEMPORARY USE THAT WILL JEOPARDIZE THE ELIGIBILITY STATUS OF THE SITE WOULD WORK TO DISCOURAGE, RATHER THAN TO ENCOURAGE, NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATION.

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** CANCELLED **

Historic District Commission meeting
(January 15, 2003)

The Proposed Crematorium Project has been withdrawn by the Applicant.
February 3, 2021

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Tim McGary
Registered voter
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Please, please vote "No" on this proposal.

Tim McGarry
Forrest St.
Registered voter
FYI

Kelly Mullett
Administrative Assistant

Community Development Department
50 Natoma Street, Folsom, CA 95630
O: 916.461.6231
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A crematorium should not be located within 1 mile of human habitat!
From: TIMOTHY THOMAS
Sent: Thursday, July 8, 2021 10:49 AM
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Subject: Lakeside Memorial Lawn crematorium concerns.

Dear Council members and City Representatives,
I have recently been informed of the Lakeside Memorial Lawn's proposal for building a crematorium onsite and I am extremely concerned. My fiance and our 9 week old son, plus a 12 year old son live just a stones throw away on Young Wo Circle. I myself have respiratory issues, and that along with having a newborn leaves me with great concern. Not to mention the chilling psychological effects of knowing that bodies are being cremated just a block away. It will have a lasting effect on our piece of mind, quality of life, health and property values.

With enough concern already regarding the annual wildfire smoke issues, please spare us another health and psychological factor in this beautiful city that we call home.

Warm regards,
Timothy Thomas
Young Wo Circle
Folsom, Ca

Sent from Outlook
February 5, 2022

Mr. Josh Kinkade
Associate Planner
City of Folsom Historic District Commission

Re: Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium
Planning No. PN-19-182

Dear Mr. Kinkade:

I am writing in opposition to the proposed Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium project. The project site is zoned OS/P (Open Space/Public Primary Area) with an underlying zoning of OSC (Open Space and Conservation). The request of a Conditional Use Permit should be denied because the emissions will degrade the visual character of the area and mercury in the TAC have bioaccumulative and biomagnification effects on the adjacent waterway and its organisms.

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The proposed project does pose a “Potentially Significant Impact” under Appendix G, CEQA, 1 Aesthetics, letter c. Appendix G, CEQA states: “c) Substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site and its surroundings.” The emissions of a crematorium will
significantly degrade the visual character of the area in respect to both the recreation users/visitors of the American River Bike Trail, Lake Natoma and the adjacent residential area.

The recreation users of the American River Bike Trail and Lake Natoma are humans who are visiting and using the area to experience the natural surroundings of a riparian habitat, which include the aesthetics of the tree lines and skyline. These “viewers” are specifically seeking a view of nature and the surrounding riparian habitat. Emissions from a crematorium will “substantially degrade” the visual quality of the area. Humans seeking scenic views and experiences with nature are especially sensitive to man-created emissions. They are even more sensitive knowing the emissions are the resulting emissions from cremating human remains.

The “visual character and quality of the site” will also be substantially degraded for the residents in the adjacent area. The neighboring residents enjoy the outdoors of their backyards and enjoy the foods from their outdoor gardens. These groups of viewers will be substantially affected by seeing emissions and their awareness that they are from an adjacent crematorium while eating food from their gardens, having an outdoor dinner party, or having their children playing outdoors. The emissions from the proposed project will substantially affect their visual quality.

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Clearly, a crematorium should not be permitted next to a recreational riparian habitat and residential area. Its emissions will substantially degrade the visual quality of the area and will be a source of mercury bioaccumulation in the riparian organisms. I implore you to deny the conditional use permit for the above project.

Sincerely,

Tracy Wetzel
Hi Josh. Please see attached comment.

Message submitted from the <Folsom, CA> website.

Site Visitor Name: Tracy Wetzel  
Site Visitor Email: [REDACTED]

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Historic District Commission Members,

Thank you for your time in considering my email to you. I am writing in regard to the, Noburningbodies.com campaign. Evidently it is clear evident that no one on this committee has bothered to avail themselves in going to a cremation site to educate themselves about the process and what it involves. One only has to ask for an appointment to go through their facility:

Affordable Cremation & Funeral Center
4750 Beloit Drive Sacramento
CA 95838
916-432-8443

To see clearly that the horrific picture captured at the top of a flyer is ludicrous and misleading. It resembles more of an Auschwitz picture than what is. I realize that to gain a point through fear, loathing and preying on the lack of knowledge in cremation, one would perhaps buy into their tactics to gain favor and a vote against the proposed facility. The facility that I enclosed is one of the most clean, no odor, no smoke, respectful facilities in the chain of their business.'
First and foremost in cremating the deceased, there are nine different levels of filters one must go through. There is nothing that tosses any ash from the remain, any odor, any smoke, anything that could pollute the surrounding community at large.

It is clear that the "noburningbodies" campaign is one sided and a detriment to the community at large. It is a personal point of view that is uneducated, judgmental, and a prevarication. Dental amalgam is a concern for those who may not know that the dental fillings can and will be removed before cremation at the request of who ever it is that is responsible for the deceased. All avenues that are of a concern can be addressed with some inquiry to properly trained persons in a position to educate and answer all concerns. It is my personal opinion that the plans for a crematorium proceed and be of benefit for the community at large. Thank you for your time in reading this.

Appreciated
Jobekah and Deino Trotta

Sent from Mail for Windows
Dear Steve,

I am writing to you to get your SUPPORT to DECLINE the proposed Lakeside crematorium in the Historic Folsom district. As the cemetery name eludes...it's lakeside and not the area to put a crematorium. I strongly oppose this crematorium being built inside such a small neighborhood, next to historic landmarks, in and around adjoining open space, bike trails and the lake. Please!!! We need your support on stopping this crematorium in HISTORIC FOLSOM.

I live at Young Wo circle and am very concerned about the potential FIRE HAZARD propane tanks can cause if there was an explosion. Getting out of this neighborhood in an emergency situation would be horrific. The roads are narrow on Forrest Street and fire engines would have trouble coming through with all residences and the Vets from the Veteran's Hall trying to escape any fire. The light rail at the intersection of Forrest Street and Folsom Blvd runs every 15 minutes and backs up traffic leaving the neighborhood as it is and that alone often causes congestion. The trees and brush along the river gets very dry and we already have had extreme scares of fires from careless people starting fires along the river. There is NO GUARANTEE these propane tanks can be safe and never have an explosion and start a fire.

I'm concerned for HEALTH reasons of the dangerous particular matter that would be released into the air, plus the smell and the atrocious look. I have severe asthma and i don't want further respiratory issues, I also have a very strong sense of smell and i don't want to feel trapped in my home. I have children living with me in their twenties, plus i also watch my 2 year old grandson and newborn grandson. I fear for lasting known and unknown side effects that they could be exposed to, besides my fellow neighbors and anyone else enjoying the trails and lake. Several running clubs and bike clubs and use the bike trail consistently, plus the river is filled with other sport enthusiast like fisherman, paddle boarders, kayakers and that would be unsafe for their health also.

We also have the affect it can have on WATER and WILDLIFE. Our PROTECTED BALD EAGLES HAVE A NEST directly across the river from the proposed crematorium.

I'm concerned for the REGULATION of how often they would cremate. The studies were done for a few cremations a day. You know they would need to up that number to make a profit and
that's what this business is about. Who would monitor them daily to make sure they aren't going above the regulated amount? You know they will- it's about making a profit to a business!

This area is designated OPEN SPACE and in the Historic district. If a crematorium is needed, this company needs to find a suitable "industrial area " away homes & schools where they can run a business efficiently without harming the residences and wildlife of Folsom. They applied for this permit and were denied and the homeowners here had to take time and resources to fight this proposal before and it was declined. How are they allowed to keep coming back- the Historic Area & Open space has not moved

Lastly, I am a local Realtor and it will DECREASE OUR HOME VALUES in the Preserves/Lake Natoma Shores. Property prices will be affected which in turn means LOWER TAX REVENUE for the city. Is there a crematorium tax on each cremation? and if so, would it even match the difference in property taxes for 150 plus immediate surrounding homes?? No one wants to live by a crematorium so close by where you can smell, see and feel its presence. It will definitely need to be disclosed on a seller's property disclosure forms for any home sales and will cut out a large number of potential buyers for this neighborhood. I have 3 clients that want to buy in this neighborhood- two of them will not reside here if a crematorium is built for reasons listed above and the my 3rd client Liz Chighizola has stated to me, she would want the crematorium to be put in because home prices would than drop here and then she would finally be able to afford this neighborhood. Really?? How is it ok for this business to decrease our home values?? Residences bought homes knowing a historic cemetery was here- we did not agree to hurt our health, environment and property values when purchasing our HOMES next to a crematorium that was not even in existence and might have swayed our investment in a home here.

Please be our voice and VOTE NO, STOP and OPPOSE the Lakeside crematorium. Voting No and stopping this is what is right for the families in the City of Folsom.

WE THE LIVING RESIDENCES ARE WHO MAKE UP FOLSOM TODAY AND WE SHOULD HAVE PRIORITY, NOT THE DECEASED.

Lakeside needs to find an industrial area not in historic and open space to expand their business and profits. This will make it a win win for everyone in Folsom.

Thanks for your time and hoping your assistance.

Best regards,
Victoria Foster.

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As the cemetery name eludes...it's lakeside and not the area to put a crematorium. I strongly oppose this crematorium being built inside such a small neighborhood, historic landmarks, adjoining open space, bike trails and the lake. We need your support of stopping this bad decision.

I live at [redacted] Young Wo circle and am very concerned about the potential fire hazard propane tanks can cause if there was an explosion. Getting out of this neighborhood in an emergency situation would be horrific. The roads are narrow on Forrest Street and fire engines would have trouble coming through with all residences and the Vets from the Veteran's Hall trying to escape any fire. The light rail at the intersection of Forrest Street and Folsom Blvd runs every 15 minutes and backs up traffic leaving the neighborhood as it is and often causes congestion.

I'm concerned for health reasons of the dangerous particular matter that would be released into the air, plus the smell and the atrocious look. I have severe asthma and I don't want further respiratory issues. I also have a very strong sense of smell and I don't want to feel trapped in my home. I have children living with me in their twenties, plus I also watch my 2 year old grandson and I fear for lasting known and unknown side effects that they could be exposed to besides my fellow neighbors and anyone else enjoying the trails and lake. Several running clubs and bike clubs use the bike trail consistently and that would be unsafe for their health also.

I'm concerned for the regulation of who and how often they would cremate. The studies were done for a few cremations a day. You know they would need to up that number to make a profit and that's what this business is about. Who would monitor them daily to make sure they aren't going above the regulated amount?

This area is designated open space and in the Historic district. If a crematorium is needed, this company needs to find a suitable "industrial area" away homes & schools where they can run a business efficiently with harming the residences of Folsom.

Lastly, I am a Realtor and I realize it might not be any concern of yours or anyone's unless they live in the Lake Natoma Shores, but it will affect our home prices. No one wants to live by a crematorium so close by where you can smell, see and feel its presence. It will definitely need to be disclosed on a sellers property disclosure form for any home sales and will cut out a large
number of potential buyers for this neighborhood.

Please be our voice and vote NO, STOP and OPPOSE the Lakeside crematorium. Voting No and stopping this is what is right for the city of Folsom. Lakeside needs to find an industrial area to expand their business and profits and make it a win win for everyone in Folsom. Thanks for your time and hoping your assistance.

Best regards, Victoria Foster.

Click here to see what my clients have to say about me!

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Fong Court
Folsom, CA 95610
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This is NOT the right location for a facility like this!

There is a reason this neighborhood is not zoned for Commercial use - of any kind. It should definitely not be used for commercial use that is potentially hazardous!

Let's simple ask these people to move the crematorium.

We are residents of Historic Folsom and are concerned with the crematorium.

Vote against on the historic Folsom crematorium at Lakeside Memorial.

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Strongly recommend this not be allowed to happen.

Recommend a NO PASS of this permit

vote no please

vote no please.

No crematory

No way!

I have lived in Historic Folsom for 10 years and my son has severe asthma. I DO NOT want him to be breathing in polluted air. NO crematory should be allowed in our backyards of Historic Folsom. Our community has worked hard to persevere this unique area as a drawl for social community gatherings.

No crematorium at Lakeside Memorial.

We may need one BUT NOT in historical downtown Folsom.

NO HISTORIC FOLSOM CREMATORIUM AT LAKESIDE MEMORIAL.

I vote NO on this permit application. I live two streets away and do not want this in our neighborhood.

contact me

Voting NO?

We don’t want a disgusting crematorium in the heart of beautiful Folsom!

I would like to share my support in the opposition of the Lakeside Crematorium application and development. The Lake Natoma, Murer House, trails, and neighborhood is impacted by this decision. With the drought and risk of losing precious nature preserve areas, I would like to implore local government officials to oppose the crematorium at this location while leveraging alternative solutions. There are alternative retail sites/sites that are vacant with no nature preserve, athletic, or residential impact. Please consider the alternative sites with no negative impact.

I am a resident of Sibley Street and the thought of living so close to a crematorium is depressing. Please reconsider another area for the construction of a crematorium as with the vastness of California I’m sure there are other more viable, less populated options.

Please keep Historic Folsom protected from this crematorium.

No more ash in the air. Especially with all the fires lately. The land that is zoned historic and should stay pristine.

Troy Drennon
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I have lived in Old Town Folsom for 40 years. I have lost my Son at 34. Lost my Husband of 52 years. Both were cremated. But I cannot imagine being able to smell the stuff here where I live. Please find another open space, like the old dump sites that were here. Might cost you more money. Please think about this. Thank you for your time. Carolyn

I do not want a crematorium only a few blocks from my house.

As I live just 2 blocks away on Figueroa Street, I'm appreciative of your activism.

Please do not allow a crematorium in Historic Folsom. I live in the historic district. We have enough smoke from all the natural fires and don't need or want year round crematory smoke. This is detrimental to us personally and for the city of Folsom. Please stop additional pollutants to our town.

Voting No!

No to a crematorium in Folsom. Our air quality here is worse than other areas in Sacramento as smoke gets trapped here and cannot get over the hill. The same thing happens with the fog in the winter and it settles in Folsom and does not lift as it is trapped. Unhealthy air in Folsom and we do not need anything that will add to it.

No thank you!! Keep our air clean! We get enough smoke with the fires!

To whom it may concern:

As I sit here writing this, I look outside to smoky skies and an ash-covered deck. Adding more smoke and particulate matter to this already impacted community must not happen. Historic Folsom is a quaint, family-oriented community that must remain preserved at all costs. Please vote NO on the permit application.

Sincerely,
A Concerned Neighbor

It's bad enough with fire season. Don't add more pollution to the air year round. This is a residential area near nature trails. This does not belong here.

I have lived in Folsom on Forrest Street for nearly 24 years and do not want a crematorium in our little neighborhood.

The reasons are many; possible harm to the air if there is a problem with the process. I have had asthma most of my life and fear the potential for harm to my already sensitive lungs; possible harm to the eco-system in Lake Natoma and the American River Parkway; and if a spark escapes from the chimney stack or the 500 gallon propane tank explodes, it would be my vote is no.

Please NO cremation should occur in a neighborhood like this. Take it outside of residential neighborhood please!!!!

I vote NO on the Folsom Crematorium!

N/A

I work across the street from this location and am not ok with the idea of breathing potentially toxic fumes let alone the smell. Please consider a commercial location away from businesses and residential areas.

we want clean air
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<td>Vote &quot;NO&quot; as your constituency want!!</td>
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Hello,

This was brought to my attention and I'd like to comment on it.

First of all I'd like to say that I am pro business but I'm also pro community. I have a huge concern about the vapors and exhausts being pumped into the air and likely settling into Lake Natoma. The location is so close to this precious lake, the paddle borders, Sacramento State rowing team, and the wild life. I'm sure we have done the environmental impact report, but I'd make sure that report include to biological impact on the water ways; specifically on Lake Natoma, the over flow into the American River and the effects on the fish that swim up river to lay their eggs at the Hatchery (on Hazel).

I think it's best that this special use permit be denied. At least until all of these factors can be thoroughly worked through.

This is not the location for a Crematorium. The negative implications on the Physical, Environmental and Fiscal Health of our community cannot be properly accounted for at this time. Nor can the actual impact be mitigated where the it is less than 20%.

The residual ashes and gases alone will impact not only the American River Parkway/Natomas-Negro Bar area but the homes located to the NW of the proposed site. It should be noted that the majority of these homes are located significantly higher that the site for planning or in lower impact areas when there are periods of inversion.

This is not in the best interest of the community.

Thank You

David D Sarsi

Please keep our air as clean as possible, it's already bad enough with fire season.

No, No, No!! On the permit for a crematory at the preserve in Folsom!!

voting no

I vote NO on the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium.

Please don't allow a crematorium at this site
My home is in line as to where the smoke would probably go (American River Canyon)  
And I am VERY sensitive to air quality.

Thank you in advance for your careful consideration in not allowing this to go forward.

No for permit

No for permit

My family does not want this crematorium here in Folsom. Put it on the other side of the freeway where Aerojet was. Why have it so close to homes? What are you guys thinking????

VOTE NO ON THE PERMIT APPLICATION. It will cause our air quality to be worse than it already is and it will drive down our home values.

Please no

Please no
In the ten years that the Lakeside Crematorium has been proposed, I have not seen nor heard one good reason to build or operate it next a designated open space preserve; especially when there are industrial areas within a few miles of the proposed crematorium.

These other areas are well-suited for commercial activities and are zoned for businesses that could create potentially toxic emissions and waste, noise, and other distractions unsuited to residential and historic neighborhoods.

In all seriousness, may I suggest a location near the Keifer landfill? Perhaps there's a place on or near it that would be a safe location away from population centers for a crematorium. The last time I was out that direction, there was plenty of open space and I see no reason that a crematorium could not discreetly fit into that area -- I know it sounds disrespectful at first thought but it's just a stop - not a long term stay... maybe it could be called the Sioughhouse Facility...

Please carefully consider the ramifications of this decision. Putting a Crematorium so near to homes, schools and wild areas is a bad idea and it is much harder to undo than NOT do.

Please say NO to the Crematorium as currently proposed.

Regards,
Charlotte Bryant

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Please vote 'no' on the permit application.

QUAL VOTE &“NO&” ON THE PERMIT APPLICATION.

Seeing smoke coming from a crematory when enjoying our bike trails, kayaking on Lake Natoma or just driving down Folsom Boulevard would be depressing, especially for us older people who have lost so many close friends and family and no that's going to be us in that This type of establishment belongs in an industrial area not across the street from the hub of Folsom street fairies, farmers markets, restaurants, stores concerts & more that welcome tourists to visit Folsom. To see smoke from the crematory up in the sky while enjoying the bike trail or shopping, eating on Sutter street is an affront. Tourism is crucial to the city of Folsom. There is a housing development that lives this area. They already have the cemetery. To put a crematorium near those people who live across from the cemetery is absolutely horrible. This is a bad idea. Move somewhere else.

I depend on the trail system in this area to improve and maintain my health. The addition of this crematorium will destroy the recreational experience that Folsom has worked hard to develop over the years. If this happens, I will be spending my recreation dollars elsewhere.

Please reject this proposal.

Please don't allow a crematory to operate here!
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<td>oppose having a crematorium built</td>
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<td>William/Dree Bleay</td>
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<td>Our deceased relatives(parents) have been placed at this cementing domain, and Er are both strongly against any crematorium in Folsom ca. Near the parkway is no suitable site, nor anywhere close to Folsom. There are enough existing crematoriums within driving distance for cremations, and under no circumstances should this additional Folsom area site be permitted. Thank you.</td>
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William B Bleakly and Dree R Bleakly

09/08/2021 05:28pm | Hannah     | Sanders  | VOTE Â“NOÂ” ON THE PERMIT APPLICATION. It will make our air quality even worse and drive our home values down! |
<p>| 09/08/2021 05:31pm | Catherine  | Tenner   | Reflections neighborhood and I say no I don't want it. There's already enough pollution in this neighborhood! Please do not build a crematorium at Lakeside Memorial. |
| 09/08/2021 10:43pm | Kristine   | Wells    |                                                            |
| 09/09/2021 07:47am | Kimberly   | Johnson  |                                                            |
| 09/09/2021 08:45am | Aurelio    | Merlos   |                                                            |
| 09/09/2021 08:59am | Steve      | Holden   |                                                            |
| 09/09/2021 09:10am | Karen      | Pardieck |                                                            |
| 09/09/2021 09:14am | Genevieve  | Bergman  |                                                            |
| 09/09/2021 09:58am | Kim        | Roberts  |                                                            |
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<td>Keep historic air clean!</td>
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<td>Victoria Brown</td>
<td>Preserve our clean air</td>
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<td>Susan Rivieccio</td>
<td>This is not the area to place a crematory.</td>
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<td>Nicki Rivieccio</td>
<td>I am against having this done without community input.</td>
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<td>Allison Knight</td>
<td>I say no to the crematorium and YES to keeping our air clean.</td>
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<td>Christine Pocock</td>
<td>Voting NO on the crematory!!!</td>
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<td>Tyler Rawles</td>
<td>No on the crematory!!! This would ruin the historic district!</td>
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<td>Christine Rawles</td>
<td>Voting NO on the crematory, this would ruin our neighborhood. It would be terrible for the river, trails, and lake! Not to mention a total fire hazard!</td>
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<td>I would like to see Folsom protected against the Lakeside Memorial Lawn Crematorium.</td>
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<td>Ryan Kelly</td>
<td>For the sake of our community, please no historic Folsom crematorium at Lakeside Memorial.</td>
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<td>Ruthmarie McGuire</td>
<td>I am voting NO on the crematory. I am in my 60s and wanted to retire here in our town of Folsom. This crematory would be very bad for people like myself who enjoy walking, SUP, biking, listening to music. Our community here is special. PLEASE do not destroy our area for older people and younger children who enjoy being outside. Go somewhere else where it is accepted. Ruth McGuire</td>
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<td>Bruce Fields</td>
<td>I do not want a crematorium in this beautiful area.</td>
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<td>Nancy Thornton</td>
<td>I have lived at Folsom Village Oakdale St. for over 5 years. I'm a senior as most of the other residents in the park. Many of whom have respiratory problems. I am very much against the property across the street building a crematorium. This site is too close to homes and recreational areas. This is gross. Please do not put that here as that would ruin the air quality and hurt the community around it. Propane tanks next to the river and trees is a horrendous idea. We love this area and do not want it ruined. Not safe at all. This is proven to be unsafe near wooded area and irresponsible creating air pollution in a designated historic site in this town. For the reasons given above, I don't want a Crematorium in my neighborhood. It should be outside of town, a good distance from neighborhoods. I see home owner property values going down if a crematorium was to be put this open space, (which shouldn't be allowed in the first place) who would pay a premium price for a home if a crematorium was so close to their A crematorium in very close proximity both to a residential community and the tourist attraction of historic Folsom is a terrible idea. I live in Historic Folsom &amp; have a son with asthma. This would harm the air quality in, Folsom which makes it a health concern for our community.</td>
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This should not be located anywhere near a town, especially one with such an outdoor lifestyle. This is not ok!

no crematorium! breathing dead people isn't helathy

I reside in Historic Folsom in close proximity to the proposed crematorium site. I am in opposition to the permit and the designated location of the crematorium. I believe a crematorium belongs in an industrial zoned space and is not meant to be in a residential area.

I am 75 years old and I live within a stone's throw of the selected Crematorium site. The unhealthy air produced by burning bodies is a risk to my health. I feel the Crematorium should be constructed in an industrial area.

I oppose this crematorium. As a Jewish person whose faith forbids cremation and as someone whose community includes people whose relatives were killed by the Nazis and then burned in Crematoriums, the sight and smell of a crematorium in the middle of our beautiful historic town is disturbing.

I respect that being cremated is the choice of many after death and is the norm in some cultures, but please place the crematorium outside town. Thank you.

Keep historic Folsom beautiful!

No burning bodies!!!

A crematorium should be away from residential area. Keep historic Folsom clean and beautiful.

The crematorium will be too close to residential and historic Folsom. Our city and the businesses will be stigmatized losing our clean air where our children play and families come to be close to nature.

No crematorium!

Under no circumstances would I expect a new crematorium to be constructed so near residential housing. This endeavor to build one here has been floated before and thankfully it did not happen. If one is needed find a place in the recently annexed south of Highway 50 that can be designated for such a use. Then let homeowners not bothered by this use buy in the vicinity. To allow the cemetery to build it alongside an established small neighborhood that is obviously concerned and almost uniformly opposed would be a callous disregard of those residents’ wishes to enjoy the neighborhood they bought into.

Nobody should be asked to live next to a place that burns 100's of dead bodies every year. Even if you don’t see the smoke you just know the air outside contains the micro particles of dead, burned people. Everyone has smelled the awful smell of burning skin or hair at one point in your life. Can you imagine that every day outside your home?

Please consider relocating the site of this crematorium away from populated areas and the waterways. Thank you

I want to breathe clean air. Regularly ride bikes and walk the trails with my family. It’s a big NO for this crematory!

Crematorium should be located away from residential and natural areas. They are more appropriate in an industrial area.

Vote no on the permit application.

I don’t want this next to the river or tails in Folsom

Please no crematory in the neighborhood. Is there open land close by that could be used for
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<td>Victoria Foster</td>
<td>I strongly oppose the crematorium being built in the historic district &amp; inside a small neighborhood. I live on [redacted] and extremely concerned on the air quality impact. The air quality studies are done for a lot fewer than you know they will do. I have asthma and I don't want my health impacted. This is also zoned open space, if this crematorium is so needed than it should be put in a commercial zoned development away from homes. In an industrial area. This is too close to the bike path and river where so many people exercise and enjoy what we have to offer. Another huge concern is fire safety - if there was an explosion and fire with the propane tanks we are in a one way in and one way our neighborhood. This company needs to build the crematory in an industrial park area not near a children's &amp; recreational park. Please vote no and protect us. Sincerely, Victoria Foster</td>
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<td>01/29/2022</td>
<td>Laurie Brown</td>
<td>I vote NO on the permit application! Super sad to see it is even being considered. As a person with severe asthma this is extremely disheartening. In July 2020 California approved alkaline hydrolysis cremation with very low (if any) emissions because it doesn't heat up to the high heat as the other uses and is water based. Anything burned in the high heat will not be good for the community...Burial caskets coated in insecticides or preservatives, things people leave in the caskets, dental amalgam fillings, presence of radioactive substances within the remains, either from devices or as a result of radiotherapy, etc. YEP....I VOTE NO!</td>
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<td>oppose locating this crematorium in this designated open space location.</td>
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<td>Holmes</td>
<td>Not only is it out of character with our treasured historic Folsom nearby, it would create toxic air pollutants particularly by virtue of being self regulated, and those pollutants would not only affect humans in the area but would have an affect on Lake Natoma and all of the wildlife that we treasure and that use that little jewel of a lake. Not to mention downstream pollution of the American River.</td>
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<td>Jenifer</td>
<td>A better location for this facility would be near the landfill on the other side of Highway 50. An additional benefit may be that, since the landfill is heavily regulated, that may tend to affect</td>
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<td>Orr</td>
<td>We want to live in a community with clean air. Stop the burn!</td>
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<td>Please vote &quot;No&quot; for the conditional use permit to install a crematory at Lakeside Memorial lawn cemetery located at Folsom Blvd and Forrest St.</td>
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<td>Please vote &quot;No&quot; for the conditional use permit to install a crematory at Lakeside Memorial lawn cemetery located at Folsom Blvd. and Forrest St.</td>
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<td>Patricia</td>
<td>This crematory will have a negative impact on current and future generations.</td>
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<td>Zuccaro</td>
<td>Please do not allow this in Folsom.</td>
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<td>Do not allow a crematorium!!!</td>
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<td>Hauser</td>
<td>As a resident of old town Folsom we definitely object to the crematorium. Summers are already becoming unbearable due to unprecedented fires. We believe this is not the time or</td>
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<td>The proposal to put a crematorium in this location is shocking. The impact to air quality and smell will be very detrimental to the historic district of Folsom. The historic district will be joked about as being under a cloud of death. The health impact to local residents within very close proximity is also very impactful. How can this even be considered a good idea?</td>
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<td>I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE TRAGIC TO ALLOW THIS PROJECT TO PROCEED. FOR THE SAKE OF A HEALTHY LIVING RESIDENTIAL AND HISTORIC AREA IT MUST NOT BE APPROVED.</td>
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Date: 8-26-2021

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904 n/A
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Edwin Sanchez

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