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Valerie Barone
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Dear Ms. Barone;

I am writing to describe my experience working as a consultant with Lennar on the Treasure Island/Yerba Buena Island project.

My company is a small Land Surveying company, in fact I have only one employee which is myself. I do contract out the field surveying firm to multiple Bay Area firms and I have a mapping company help me as well. Although in my current capacity I work primarily in San Francisco County, I have been a consulting surveyor in the Bay Area for over 30 years and have a great deal of experience working in Contra Costa County and in the City of Concord. I was formally a partner with the firm of BKF Engineers and while at BKF I worked closely with our Walnut Creek office on many projects in your area.

Currently I am working with Lennar on the Treasure Island/Yerba Buena Island project. This project is being done in conjunction with the City of San Francisco. The TI/YBI project is a base reuse project and I have worked closely with Lennar, the Navy, the City and County of San Francisco and with the California State Lands Commission. It is a complicated project in which the surveying involves among other things the environmental cleanup of the islands, the property transfer from the Navy to the City, the property exchange with the State Lands Commission and the property transfer between the City and the private developer group.

In addition to my small portion and involvement in this project, there is the Community design process, the site design of improvements including: streets and infrastructure; landscape design; layout of urban parks and recreation areas; design of marina areas; design of new ferry facilities and the architectural design.

I have been involved in many meetings with Lennar, City staff, State staff, Navy personnel and other consultants. In these meetings I have come away impressed with Lennar's community vision of the project and their ability to coordinate with all the involved entities to insure positive progress to reach the community vision. As you well know it is difficult to consider all the involved parties goals and to balance these with the communities overall goal to create the most beneficial project. Lennar manages to accomplish this by constant communication with all the parties and perhaps most importantly with ongoing community involvement. I have been especially impressed with their outreach in working with the existing residents and existing companies occupying the islands.

If you have an opportunity please review the community plans for our project on TI/YBI and see the wonderful mix of well needed residential housing, urban recreation areas and retail spaces for local businesses. Lennar is helping create a splendid community while maximizing uses of a local resource which will benefit all Bay Area residents especially San Francisco.

I cannot more highly recommend any client I have worked with than Lennar. Their professionalism and concern for the wellbeing of all the participants in their projects puts them above the norm for community developers.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely;

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Billy Martin".

Billy Martin
Pacific Land Surveys