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Via Email; Original via U.S. Mail

Re: MILO Firearms Training Range

Dear Mr. Ramirez:

This letter responds to your e-mail yesterday asking for a formal request for "consideration of a law enforcement indoor training and firing range facility to be built as part of the Airport Terminal Project." I must again emphasize that the MILO (Multiple Interactive Learning Objectives) Firearms Training Range is not part of the Replacement Passenger Terminal Project. Rather, it is a stand-alone facility that will be located in the Airfield Operations Area in the northwest quadrant of the airport far from the Replacement Passenger Terminal. The facility will not be accessible to or used by the public. Its sole purpose is to provide a better and more convenient environment for Airport Police Department officers' firearms training, some of which currently occurs off-airport.

I also must reiterate that the Authority seeks to operate the MILO Firearms Training Range as an Airport Zone permitted use in accordance with its vested rights under the 2017 Development Agreement. It has been, and continues to be, the Authority's position that this facility falls within the "Emergency response facilities such as fire and police facilities" and "Law enforcement facilities" categories of the Airport Zone permitted uses designated by Section 4.6(b) of the DA.

Thus, please treat this letter as a formal request for approval of the MILO Firearms Training Range as an Airport Zone permitted use. In my opinion, such approval does not require the Community Development Director to invoke the "New Interpretation" provision in Section 4.6(c) of the DA. However, if City staff are most comfortable granting approval through that provision or through some other mechanism, the final decision is what matters. The paramount concern for me is that the Authority not be required to process a Conditional Use Permit application for this facility. I consider such a requirement to be contrary to the Authority's vested rights and would have to recommend to the Authority Commission initiation of the

dispute resolution process specified in Article 10 of the DA. Given the professional and productive relationship between Authority and City staff over the past seven years, I very much would prefer to avoid that adversarial path.

Finally, please be advised that the Authority had the vendor delay shipping of the MILO Firearms Training Range for as long as possible, but the facility now is in transit to the airport and is expected to arrive next week. The Authority of course will not operate the facility until this matter has been resolved.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. If you need anything else, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Frank R, Miller **Executive Director**

cc: BGPAA Commission

Terence Boga, BGPAA General Counsel Justin Hess, Burbank City Manager