



# City of Palm Springs

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**Via Electronic Mail**  
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Re: Considerations for Resolving Section 14 Claims

Ms. Martin,

We are writing to memorialize the City Council's offer that I verbally conveyed to you and Andrew Kratzer by telephone on Friday, January 26, 2024.

Specifically, the City Council is willing to work with you and your clients to come up with a mutually agreeable process for verifying property losses that were sustained by those who were relocated from Section 14, as a result of demolition of structures by the City. This would include real property, to the extent it can be confirmed that the claimants had a real property interest, as well as personal property, that was destroyed by the City as part of the Section 14 relocations.

You indicated that you would speak with your clients and get back to us.

We very much look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

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City Attorney  
City of Palm Springs

cc: Mayor and City Council  
Scott Stiles, City Manager  
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Jeremy Hammond, Dep. City Manager  
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