



December 8, 2009

7/11 Committee  
Del Mar Union School District  
225 Ninth Street, Del Mar, CA 92014

RE: Notice of objection to 7/11 Committee Proposals

Dear 7/11 Committee Members,

It has come to our attention that the 7/11 Committee of the Del Mar Union School District, which has the responsibility of developing proposals for the siting of new district offices, has recently included the Torrey Hills School in several of its proposals.

The Torrey Hills Master Association is entrusted with upholding and preserving the residential quality and character of the Torrey Hills community. It is with this in mind that we express our concerns regarding those proposals that seek to locate district services at Torrey Hills School.

Torrey Hills is a young community that is still being developed. Across the street from the Torrey Hills School, the City has approved construction of 484 multi-family units. This project alone will impact considerably traffic on our local streets next to the school, having repercussion for drop-off/pick-up, as well as pedestrian student safety.

Green space is a premium in our community. We find any development that diminishes green space in Torrey Hills unacceptable, particularly as it impacts our local school children. While Torrey Hills School may have a large acreage, much of it is taken up by dispersed walkways and the pod-like design of the school itself. Indeed, recent analysis ranks Torrey Hills School 8<sup>th</sup> in the district for square feet/student. Torrey Hills School is predicted to grow to capacity in the next five years. This alone should exclude it from consideration. With over 800 students, play space will be even more important, as will managing traffic around the school.

We are puzzled by the late inclusion of Torrey Hills School into this process and troubled by the manner in which this committee has been conducted. It is clear from research done by members of our community, that none of the Torrey Hills proposals make much fiscal or logistical sense. Yet, they are being seriously considered. We can only conclude that the special interests of a few outweigh the overall well being of the school district as a whole.

Our Board adamantly opposes any proposal that locates district services at Torrey Hills School and request the Committee remove them from consideration.

Sincerely,

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For the Board of Directors  
Torrey Hills Master Association