October 2, 2013

Subject: 900 Via Panorama blocks fire road access

Honorable City Council Members:

This morning, we were shocked to see a storage container blocking the fire road on the Via Panorama parkland property purchased by the Luglianis (see photographs below). This concerns us, especially since we have experienced a very dry year and fire danger is high for Southern California. (Nixle notification sent to that effect on September 29th.)

According to the Quitclaim Deed (attached for reference), the parkland parcel that was acquired by the Luglianis includes a fire road that must remain accessible to emergency vehicles.

4. Grantor reserves for the benefit of the City of Palos Verdes Estates and any emergency service agency a permanent easement described on Exhibit "E" attached hereto and by this reference made a part hereof, and shown as "Fire Access" on Exhibit "B" for the use by City and any emergency service agency emergency vehicles. The easement shall be for purposes of egress and ingress to provide, without limitation, fire and police protection, ambulances and rescue services and other lawful governmental or private emergency services to the premises, owners, occupants or others. The foregoing easement shall in no way be construed as a dedication of any roadways to the public.

It is imperative that our city government enforces codes equally and without prejudice across our community. For more than 30 years, the Luglianis have been violating the codes and covenants by building and grading extensively on the public parkland adjacent to their home. The photos below show that they continue to flaunt their disregard of rules by violating the deed restrictions that they agreed to when the MOU was negotiated last year.

Public parkland should not have been transferred to private ownership, and this shows what can happen once Pandora's box is opened.

Thank you in advance for acting swiftly to remedy this dangerous situation and keep our community safe.

Best regards,

John and Renata Harbison





