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Pamela Galera, Director of Parks, Recreation, and Community Facilities
City of Riverside

RE: Fairmount Park Bandshell Rehabilitation/Reconstruction

Dear Ms Galera,

The Riverside Historical Society has been asked to comment on a proposal to remove most if not all of the currently bandshell in Fairmount park and replace it with a new, larger structure. We understand that the project includes removing the existing bandshell. We also understand that this bandshell is not the original one, having been reconstructed some 30 or so years ago using some, but not exclusively, historic materials.

We also understand that the new proposed bandshell, while being larger to accommodate modern performers, will maintain the historic character of the original bandshell.

Given these parameters, the Riverside Historical Society would like to go on record as being in favor of the proposed project, and we will eagerly look forward to seeing the finished new bandshell.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at riversidehistoricalsociety@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Steve Lech, President