PROJECT DESCRIPTION – CALVARY CEMETERY ADMINISTRATION CENTER AND CHAPEL COLUMBARIUM

Catholic Funeral and Cemetery Services of the Diocese of Sacramento are proposing to construct a 17,250 square foot facility on the grounds of Calvary Cemetery, 7101 Verner Ave., Citrus Heights, California. Calvary Cemetery was established in 1953. The proposed site is at the entrance to the cemetery at the end of Verner Ave. and will also border

Oak Lakes Lane. The project site is currently designated as ground burial space. The site has not been developed in the past other than for implementation of a road system, grading for burial gardens, and irrigation/lawn installation. The planning entitlement type is a Use Permit Request.

The owner desires to construct new administration offices for the cemetery, space for funeral services, and a cemetery chapel with columbarium space. No facilities for handling cremation / embalming of the deceased are planned. This project will provide a premier facility for administering cemetery and funeral services to families served by the Diocese of Sacramento as well as other faiths in the surrounding community.

The facility is designed as a grouping of two smaller buildings utilizing high quality residential style materials and a harmonious architectural style in keeping with the residential scale of the surrounding area. The Verner Avenue and Oak Lakes Lane street frontage adjacent to the project site will be upgraded with improved streetscape, landscaping, and pedestrian amenities. An upgraded cemetery entrance on Verner Road is also included in the scope of this project.

The facility will operate Monday thru Saturday from 8:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., and will be closed on Sunday.

A neighborhood meeting was held on June 26, 2013. All comments received were favorable to the project. A copy of the attendee list is included. A mailing notice was sent to the Neighborhood Association Area Number 3 as well as the property owners within a 500 foot radius of the subject property.