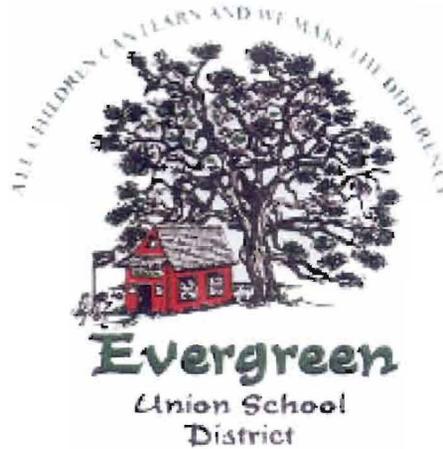


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**Subject:** Letter of Recommendation for Brookhurst Development Corporation

To Whom It May Concern:

Evergreen Union School District recently completed a public solicitation for proposals for advisory services pertaining to potential district reorganization, charter school formation, and the formulation of a financing and development plan for the construction of a new high school to serve grades nine through twelve. The project was awarded to Brookhurst Development Corporation and a team of experienced professionals headed by Jeff Baize, CEO and Robert Moreno, Managing Director. As the prime contractor, Brookhurst subcontracted the analysis of a potential district reorganization and unification to School Services of California.

The completed feasibility study provided by Brookhurst was impressive and far more comprehensive and detailed than we expected. Our Board of Trustees was elated with Brookhurst's excellent performance under the contract, including providing services not contemplated by the contract such as setting up tours of comparable facilities being constructed and meetings with the leadership of other school districts that have successfully accomplished similar goals. The financial feasibility study included cost projections for various school delivery options, as well as a comprehensive review of 27 comparable completed public school projects in the region. Site plans and a proposed schematic layout for a new charter school as well as detailed contractor estimates on costs were included. The study also examined various funding options such as private financing through public-private partnerships, lease lease-back development, and local, state and federal grant funding such as tax credits, qualified zone academy bonds, charter endowment grants and high performance incentive grants.

Given our excellent experience with Brookhurst, I am happy to provide this unconditional endorsement of their firm and its professionals. Please feel free to contact me regarding this recommendation.

Sincerely,

**Brad Mendenhall**  
Superintendent

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