



Voices of Monarch Beach

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RESPONSE TO SOUTH SHORES CHURCH PRESS RELEASE

The *Voices of Monarch Beach (VOMB)*, a neighborhood preservation group, acknowledges South Shores Church's recent press release concerning the developer's Master Plan for expansion. The decision to pursue a more thorough Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the project as we have urged, is much needed.

VOMB will be participating in a much more transparent process working with the City of Dana Point and the developer to achieve a less massive, less invasive and more reasonably sized project.

We intend to remain actively engaged, to provide greater input regarding a more refined and specific mitigation list during this extensive review process.

We firmly believe that down-sizing it from the prior submission will result in a development plan that would be better aligned with the sensitive nature and limitations of its location and could work within the current building footprint. A smaller project also honors the developer's stated goal of being responsive to the surrounding Salt Creek Scenic Corridor neighbors.

Signed,

Steering Committee *Voices of Monarch Beach*

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