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July 17, 2020

Jim Throop – City Manager  
C/O - City of Lompoc  
100 Civic Center Plaza  
Lompoc, CA 93436

Dear Jim Troop and the City of Lompoc - City Council,

On behalf of the Channel Islands YMCA Board of Directors, staff, volunteers and members, we extend our sincere appreciation for your partnership and continued support to our organization.

Established in 1887, the Channel Islands YMCA is a charitable organization of seven YMCA branches serving Santa Barbara and Ventura counties. The Y is a charitable organization providing programs to people of all ages, races, religious beliefs and economic status to promote Youth Development, Healthy Living and Social Responsibility. The Channel Islands YMCA serves over 46,000 individuals annually and provides over \$1.3 million in financial assistance to families in need for child care, YMCA memberships, away and day camps, youth sports, and teen after-school programs.

The Lompoc Family YMCA branch, like the greater community of Santa Barbara, has been challenged by the COVID-19 pandemic. On March 17, the Y was forced to do the unthinkable, close its doors to the community. But with challenges, the Y finds a way to rise tall and we were able to collaborate with the United Way and Lompoc Unified School District to offer childcare for essential services for workers in Lompoc serving over 50 families with free care. This service included City of Lompoc staff. The Y also expanded its offerings by teaching virtual fitness programming. Staff members also spent time reaching out to senior members, making sure that they were continuing with a wellness and social routine. However, now the Y remains closed and has lost five months of revenue.

The City of Lompoc and the YMCA entered into a lease on the property located at 201 W College Ave for a duration of 600 hundred months starting on March 28, 1977 (expires December 31, 2028). The YMCA lease payment is currently \$568.00 per month.

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Due to the heavy workload of the city, maintenance and upkeep of the grounds of the Y and College Park have been challenging. The city is ultimately responsible but the Y has been contracting out the maintenance of the grounds to keep the property in good condition. Monthly costs can range between \$250 - \$500 per month.

The Y would like to submit the following requests to council for consideration:

- **Monthly Lease Payment** – lower the annual lease costs to \$1.00 per year for the remainder of the lease duration. This request is comparable to other non-profit organization lease payments with the city (Lompoc Museum, Lompoc Art Association, etc)
- **Maintenance of the grounds (College Park)** – receive a monthly offset credit on the City of Lompoc monthly utility costs, in lieu of the monthly costs incurred by the Y for landscaping and maintenance.

Please let us know if you have any questions related to these requests. Thank you for your continued support to the YMCA.

Sincerely,



Margo Byrne  
President and CEO



Tommy Speidel  
Regional Executive Director