



KEVIN L. FAULCONER

MAYOR

December 3, 2018

Scott J. Seligman
The Seligman Group
2049 Century Park East, Suite 3670
Los Angeles, CA 90067

Dear Mr. Seligman:

The purpose of this letter is to memorialize communications between representatives of The Seligman Group and City staff about the future of the North Chapel in Liberty Station.

As part of the ground lease transfer between Corky McMillin Companies and The Seligman Group, the City is responsible for ensuring that any new leaseholder has a qualified reputation as well as the experience and financial capability necessary to fulfill the terms of the ground lease. We look forward to working with you as stewards of this public asset.

Through ongoing communications between our parties, The Seligman Group is aware of growing community concern over the future use of the North Chapel. The Seligman Group is also aware of my priority to ensure the North Chapel is protected and maintained for future generations.

It is my strong belief this historic space should be preserved for assembly and worship purposes under any plan that is proposed by the leaseholder. By way of my staff, I have urged The Seligman Group and its associates to accommodate religious congregations who wish to worship on this site.

We have received assurances from The Seligman Group that the North Chapel will continue to be used for purposes including religious gatherings, weddings, funerals and other special events. These uses are consistent with how the building has been previously utilized.

There have also been questions related to the chapel's historic elements. While no formal application has been submitted to the City for review, I am writing to confirm my serious concern about any alterations to the chapel's historically protected characteristics. I oppose any plan that affects the historic nature of the North Chapel and would encourage the City's Historical Resources Board to do the same.

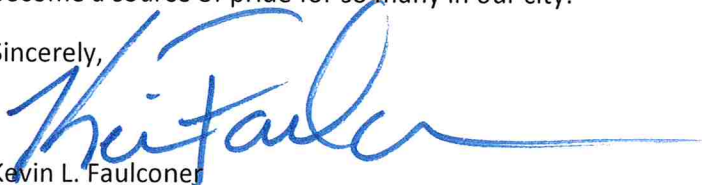
City staff will continue to work proactively with The Seligman Group and the City Attorney's Office to ensure that the chapel remains open to the public for these purposes and that any future use respects and maintains its historic elements in accordance with the law.



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I sincerely appreciate your cooperation and willingness to work with the City to navigate through this initial introduction with The Seligman Group, its partners and the public. By working together, I am confident we can elevate the reputation, customer experience and quality of the properties that have become a source of pride for so many in our city.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kevin L. Faulconer", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Kevin L. Faulconer
Mayor