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Dear Mr. Rothstein:

Thank you for taking the time to discuss the water project in our neighborhood the other evening.

I wanted to take a moment to let you know how pleased I am with the Festival 2 reservoir and pump station at Festival and Stanton streets. My wife and I live in the neighborhood and frequently walk our dogs by the site and we have followed its progress from the beginning. I suspected this would be a unique project when it began with the accumulation of native vegetation cleared from the site in a nursery to be replanted later. I suspected that a project that began with such respect for our fragile environment would turn out well. But the ultimate appearance of this project exceeded my expectations.

Although the tank appeared massive, placing most of it underground has produced a final structure that is well-proportioned with respect to the small draw in which it sits. The serpentine rockwall that secures the site along Stanton was beautifully done and in keeping with the natural setting. The use of color on the exposed concrete surfaces and the rockwall veneer on the exposed tank and pump house really help to blend the structures into the surroundings. As my wife mentioned, we think this project is a great addition to a neighborhood we feel is already beautiful.

Communities are often measured by their public works and every great community has public structures that define its personality. A city has not yet arrived at the status of a unique community until it creates such public works. I am pleased to be a citizen of El Paso, which has made a commitment to beautify its public structures in a way that echoes its desert environment and highlights the skill of its craftsmen. I hope you will convey my pleasure with the outcome of this project to the government officials who approved its construction.

Sincerely,


James H. Algeo, Jr., MD