



Proposed Site at 3272-3280 S. Motor Avenue

The City School (www.citycharterschool.org and www.citycharterschools.org/CHS) is proposing to relocate our 6-12th grade school to the site located at the corner of Motor and National in Palms. The following provides an overview of the school and the proposed project.



Key Facts

- Founded in 2012, City Charter Middle School (The City School) and City High School serve 410 students grades 6-9. We will serve 840 students 6-12 by 2018.
- The City School is managed by City Charter Schools (www.citycharterschools.org), a small non-profit organization that also manages City Language Immersion Charter, a K-5 bilingual elementary school located in the West Adams community.
- After a three-year phase in, by Fall 2018, the school would occupy the entire site, with the exception of the C&M Café, which would (if they choose to) remain on the site as a co-tenant to the school.
- The site has ample parking for faculty, staff, and visitors. Students will not be allowed to drive themselves to school or park on the site.
- Although traffic is a concern, The City School is working hard with all stakeholders to mitigate the impact on the intersection and surrounding communities. Specifically we are proposing to maintain a car count of under 117 (including entrances and exits) during the peak morning time. We will do so with the following mitigations:
 - Build a driveway on National to avoid any backup on Motor
 - Enforce carpool requirements
 - Commit to a certain number of students walking, taking public transit, and biking to the site
 - Stagger pick up and drop-off times to reduce traffic flow at any given time



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Benefits of the proposed project

- Neighborhood beautification: City is committed to redeveloping the site to dramatically enhance the appearance of the corner, while preserving the open, communal feel of the area, and improving the green landscape as well.
- Influx of consumers: In our current (temporary) location at Pico and Barrington, City has earned a reputation as a great partner to local businesses. Our families and students frequent the businesses respectfully, and we are committed to promoting surrounding businesses to our families and extended networks.
- Property values: One of the top determinants of property value is proximity to high achieving schools. Having The City School within walking/biking distance of your home should enhance local home values.
- A community school: 36% of City School students live in the surrounding community, and attended local elementary schools including Overland, Palms, Castle Heights, and Westwood Charter. As local residents, we will be good steward of the community, because it's ours too!

Timeline

- We signed a lease in June, and have been working diligently to explore the feasibility of the site since then so that we could meet with stakeholders and provide clear plans and answers to questions.
- We are still in the early stages of the entitlement/permitting process, and have not yet filed for a permit with the City of Los Angeles.
- We are engaging the community throughout the next 6-8 months, with plans to file the CUP application within the next two months.
- Once we have the required permits, we expect about 3-4 months of construction (mostly inside the building) to convert it to a beautiful and functional school.

We look forward to engaging the community in order to develop a site that works for everyone, and provides the permanent home our students and families need and deserve. If you have questions or would like to request a meeting, please contact CityonMotor@citycharterschools.org.

If you support our project, please let your local representative know: paul.koretz@lacity.org