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Miller Starr Regalia Launches Land Use Developments Blog

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Miller Starr Regalia (MSR), a preeminent California real estate law firm for over 50 years, announced today that it is launching the Land Use Developments blog, which was created to provide practical information, judicial, legislative, and regulatory updates, tips, and guidelines on cutting edge issues to those in the land use industry, including property owners, developers, public agencies, and technical consultants.

The Land Use Developments blog will be authored primarily by Bryan W. Wenter, AICP, an MSR shareholder who regularly counsels landowners, developers, and public agencies in all aspects of land use processing. Before joining MSR, Mr. Wenter was City Attorney for the City of Walnut Creek, where he advised the City Council, Planning Commission, City Manager, department heads, and staff on all aspects of municipal law, including the Planning and Zoning Laws, Subdivision Map Act, CEQA, Brown Act, Public Records Act, and conflict of interest laws. Guest authors will include MSR Managing Shareholder Anthony Leones, other members of MSR's Land Use Practice Group, as well as members of the firm's Common Interest Development and Commercial Leasing Practice Groups.

This blog joins MSR's CEQA Developments blog (www.ceqadevelopments.com), launched in 2011 and written by Arthur Coon, MSR's Land Use Practice Group co-chair and Appellate Practice Group chair. The CEQA Developments blog has more than 200 active subscribers, including real estate and other corporations, government entities, law firms, educational institutions and media.

"California is well-known for its complicated and often politically charged planning and development process at every level of government," said Wenter. "With the assistance of my colleagues, we hope to establish the Land Use Developments blog as the 'go to' source for timely, hands-on land use analysis for developers, retailers, public agencies and consultants."

The Land Use Developments blog will cover all of the pertinent land use issues including:

- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)
- General plans, specific plans, and zoning
- Subdivision Map Act
- Local government law
- Exactions, Dedications, and Impact Fees
- Land use initiatives and referenda
- Natural resource permitting
- Local Agency Formation Commissions (LAFCO)

- Special district formation and project finance
- Vested rights
- Eminent Domain/Takings

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