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**Subject:** Crossfit Horsepower City Council Hearing

Dear Councilmembers,

My family and I are proud residents in Hermosa Beach. I am writing as a constituent and as a member of CrossFit Horsepower. I understand there are a select group of residents near the facility writing complaints and as a Director Of Operations for a nation management firm along with 20+ years of experience in Property Management I understand some of the difficulties in trying to address multiple involved parties issues or arguments. I hope to bring share some of my experiences within this email that can hopefully help.

I want to first describe my experience when I first attended a class over 1 year ago at CFHP (Crossfit Horsepower), I arrived with a few months experience that I received in Sacramento as we have relocated from there and was prepared to do the work out until the coach began the class with pointing at a sign on the wall saying "no dropping weights". I was immediately deflated as this is a crucial part of Crossfit in order to prevent injury on heavier lifts along with other benefits, the coach throughout the class reminded us and if someone happened to drop the weight he would quickly and firmly remind them with a stern warning. I never wanted to return but as I had limited options with my work schedule and finding a Crossfit gym close by I had nearly no other options (I could drive further and spend less time at home with my kids in order to accommodate for this which I tried but ultimately did not enjoy). I'm glad I did return because what I ultimately found was a team of tremendous individuals that despite all the hurdles they found a way to try and help others (some fighting for their lives right now against leukemia), to teach health awareness, encourage and bring together a community.

A point was brought up that its location is in a light manufacturing (M-1) zone, where there may be extraneous noise, which I can imagine the similar discussion of moving for a reduced cost near an airport or train tracks. It is too be expected. In the past I have had resident complain on various issues, where a small group was opposed to a majority and ultimately we did not and could not agree with sacrificing a beneficial amenity or service for a few. We had a resident complain about landscapers servicing "too early" which was 9am because of their work schedule which is something I had to explain to the resident that this was in place and is the accepted service and time. I don't want to drag on I just simply want to humbly request for your support against this complaint.

I attended the last hearing and since then, CFHP has again relocated and redesigned the layout to bring the activity the furthest away from the walls near the residents which has left for smaller space for the members and again a loss of members. They have been more than accommodating. CrossFit Horsepower is not a "public nuisance." They offer and provide a valuable service to me and to Hermosa Beach.

I have witnessed how CrossFit Horsepower has worked diligently (even at the cost of losing more members) to address the concerns of its neighbors by relocating weights, implementing rules that ban weight dropping, closing doors, lowering music and much more. I strongly urge you to vote against declaring CrossFit Horsepower a "public nuisance." Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best Regards,

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