



## City of La Junta

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To whom it may concern

This is a letter of support and reference for Marc Diament, of Marc Diament Architecture.

The City of La Junta has had the opportunity to work with Marc Diament on a number of projects -- all related to our City Park. These have included a historic structure assessment, design and construction of repairs to the historic landscape walls and benches, and an overall plan for recreational improvements to the park.

Based on my experience, it is a great pleasure to recommend Marc Diament Architecture. Here are some of the reasons.

Marc Diament works incredibly hard on our City Park. This is a complicated, time-consuming project with a great deal of detail. Everyone knows that historic restoration is complicated work from a technical standpoint. But the kind of restoration we are doing requires extra effort from the architect: submittals, detailed drawings, work with specialty contractors and quality assurance. This is an important project to our citizens, so Marc is called upon to explain the project to them as well. We always feel like we are getting full value for dollars spent on Marc Diament Architecture's services.

As someone with personal experience in engineering and building inspection, I particularly appreciate Marc Diament's thoroughness in his approach to construction. He provides thorough documents. He is careful to review the project with my staff and me. He goes over the drawings with the contractor. His inspections during construction are thorough, fair, and well-documented. Again, this helps us feel secure that we are getting full value for the dollars spent on construction.

Marc has been able to bring a big-picture view point to this project. That distinguishes his approach from other professionals that we work with. He has really opened our eyes to the tremendous possibilities for this park. Over the years that we have worked with him, Marc's approach has been important to us in coming up with a long-term plan, developing support from our citizens and the City Council, as well as funding support from the agencies that we partner with to accomplish this project.

If you have questions about the performance of Marc Diament Architecture, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Rick Klein  
City Manager