CITY PLANNING COMMISSION

1231 "I" STREET, SUITE 200, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814

APPLICANT_	Balfrey & Abbott - 1801 I Street, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95814
OWNER	Arden Fair Assoc. c/o HAFV - 1689 D Arden Way, Sacramento, CA 95815
PLANS BY	Altoon & Porter - 3275 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, CA
	2-15-89 ENVIR. DET. Neg. Dec. 4-27-89 REPORT BY JP:sq
4	PCL. NO. 277-0160-006.008.028

APPLICATION:

- A. Negative Declaration
- B. Special Permit Modification to expand the previously approved Arden Fair Shopping Center from a two-level garage. 284+ spaces above grade, to a three-level garage, 526+ spaces above grade in the C-2 zone

LOCATION: North side of Arden Way between the terminus of Challenge Way and Freeway 1-80

<u>PROPOSAL</u>: The applicant is requesting the necessary entitlements to add a second parking deck to the previously approved Arden Fair Shopping Center parking garage resulting in a 782+ space three-level parking garage.

PROJECT INFORMATION:

General Plan Designation:

Regional Commercial and Offices

Existing Zoning of Site:

C-2

Existing Land Use of Site:

Arden Fair Shopping Center

Surrounding Land Use and Zoning:

North: Single family residential; R-1

South: Commercial; SC-R(PUD)

East: Commercial: C-2

West: Motor hotel, apartments; C-2

Parking Ratio Required:.

1:250 sq. ft.

Parking Required:

4,725<u>+</u> spaces 4,938+ spaces

Parking Provided:

5,180+ spaces

Parking Proposed: Property Dimensions:

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Property Area:

60+ acres

Square Footage of Building:

Mall - 1,181,150+ sq. ft. (Sears east to Weintocks

including Nordstrom and cinemas)
Parking Garage - 220,000+ sq. ft.

Height of Parking Garage:

25+ feet to top of parapet, 46+ feet to top of elevator/stair tower roof (southwest corner only)

Exterior Building Materials:

Poured in place concrete, stucco

Building Colors:

Pale gray with reddish-brown accent. Colors to

match mali

PROJECT EVALUATION: Staff has the following comments regarding this proposal:

A. Land Use and Zoning

The subject site consists of three parcels totaling 60± acres in the General Commercial (C-2) zone. The 198,640± square foot one-story Arden Fair Snopping Center, (currently in the process of expanding to a 1,181,150± square foot shopping center) the 187,000± Nordstrom department store (under construction) and the new 162,000± square foot Sears department store are currently located on the site. Surrounding land uses are: single family residences in the Standard Single Family (R-1) zone to the north; commercial and office uses in the Point West Planned Unit Development zoned Shopping Center PUD (SC{PUD}) to the south; retail commercial uses in the C-2 zone to the east; and the Sacramento Inn motor lodge, offices, a theater and apartments in the C-2 zone to the west. The General Plan designates the site for Regional Commercial and Office uses.

B. Applicant's Proposal

On May 26, 1988 the City Planning Commission approved a special permit to expand the existing Arden Fair Shopping Center to a two-level mall and to construct a two-level parking garage with $284 \pm parking$ spaces on the deck above the grade level parking (grade level plus the parking deck would equal approximately 426 parking spaces in that area). The 1,181,150+ square foot Arden Fair expansion project currently proposes to provide approximately 4,938+ parking spaces on the subject site (4,654 \pm at grade level plus the 284 \pm space parking deck) which meets the City's parking requirement of one parking space per 250 square feet of gross floor area for retail commercial use. The applicant would like to provide additional parking on the subject site in order to insure that customers have adequate and convenient on-site parking, especially during the holiday season. The applicant, therefore, is requesting a special permit modification to add a second parking deck above the previously approved deck resulting in a three level parking garage. The three level structure would provide parking for approximately 782 vehicles (256 parking spaces at grade level under the parking deck and 526 spaces above grade). Total parking provided on the mall site would be 5,180+ spaces. The net increase proposed from the two-level garage to the three-level garage would be approximately 242+ spaces.

C. Staff Evaluation

The approved location of the subject parking garage is directly west of the Nordstrom department store, directly north of the mall expansion, and a distance ranging 90± feet to 200± feet south of the adjacent residential uses. Planning staff's primary concern regarding the addition of a third parking level to the garage was the visual impact the garage would have on the adjacent residential uses to the north. Specifically, staff was concerned that people parking on the second and third levels of the garage could easily look into the back yards of the residences to the north creating privacy and security problems for the residents of these homes. Staff recommended to the applicant that: 1) louvers be located on the north side of the garage between the second and third levels of the structure; and 2) the north wall on the third level of the structure be

increased in height from 3'6" to 5'6". The applicant indicated that they would be willing to modify their original design to include these features. The City's environmental staff conducted an analysis of the proposed third level addition to the parking structure and determined that the parking garage expansion would not have a significant impact to the environment. Their analysis included an air quality impact analysis conducted by a certified consulting meteorologist. Planning staff, therefore, recommends approval of the applicant's request subject to conditions.

D. Building Design and Materials

The square footage of the three level parking structure would be 220,000+ square feet with a height of 25'2" to the top of the parapet and 46+ feet to the top of elevator/stair tower roof. The third level of the parking garage would be connected to the second level of the mall by a pedestrian bridge at the southwest corner of the garage. The primary building material for the garage would be The concrete would have a smooth finish and the poured in place concrete. primary color would be pale gray to match the mail. Four inch reveal lines would be cast in place at the second and third levels and painted a brownish-red contrast color, the same as the mail accent color. The concrete block under the parking ramp at the first level and on the elevator/stair tower at the southwest corner of the garage would have a stucco finish. The elevator/stair tower is proposed to have a metal roof and a brick band at the top of the arch. Planning staff finds the proposed building design to be acceptable with the addition of metal louvers and the 5'6" high wall on the north elevation. revised building height on the north side of the structure would be 30'8" to the top of the parapet. The revised design for the north elevation should be subject to Planning staff review and approval.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION: The Environmental Coordinator has determined that the project as proposed will not have a significant impact to the environment; therefore, a negative declaration has been prepared. In compliance with Section 15070(B)1 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, the applicant has incorporated the following mandatory mitigation measures into the project plans to avoid identified effects or to mitigate such effects to a point where clearly no significant effects would occur:

- A. Lighting within and on the proposed parking structure will be directed to the interior of the structure, and the source of light masked or shielded so that the lights will not adversely impact adjacent residential areas.
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Non-compliance with, or deletion of any of the above mitigation measures by any party will require the project to be reprocessed for additional environmental review. If this review determines that there is the possibility for significant adverse environmental impact due

to the development of the project, additional mitigation measures may be required, or the applicant may be requested to prepare an environmental impact report if identified impacts cannot be reduced to less than a significant level through mitigation.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Planning Commission take the following actions:

- A. Ratify the Negative Deciaration;
- B. Approve the Special Permit Modification to expand the previously approved Arden Fair Shopping Center parking garage to a three-level 220,000± square foot garage)(526± spaces above grade, 782± spaces total) subject to conditions and based on findings of fact which follow.

Conditions

- The applicant shall provide a lighting plan for the 220,000+ square foot parking garage for the review and approval of the Planning Director prior to June 30, 1989. Lighting within and on the proposed parking structure shall be directed to the interior of the structure, and the source of light masked or shielded so that the lights shall not adversely impact adjacent residential areas.
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- 3. Construction of the masonry wall shall begin within 30 days from approval of the permit. The applicant shall appear before the Planning Commission if this is not done. (CPC added)

Findings of Fact

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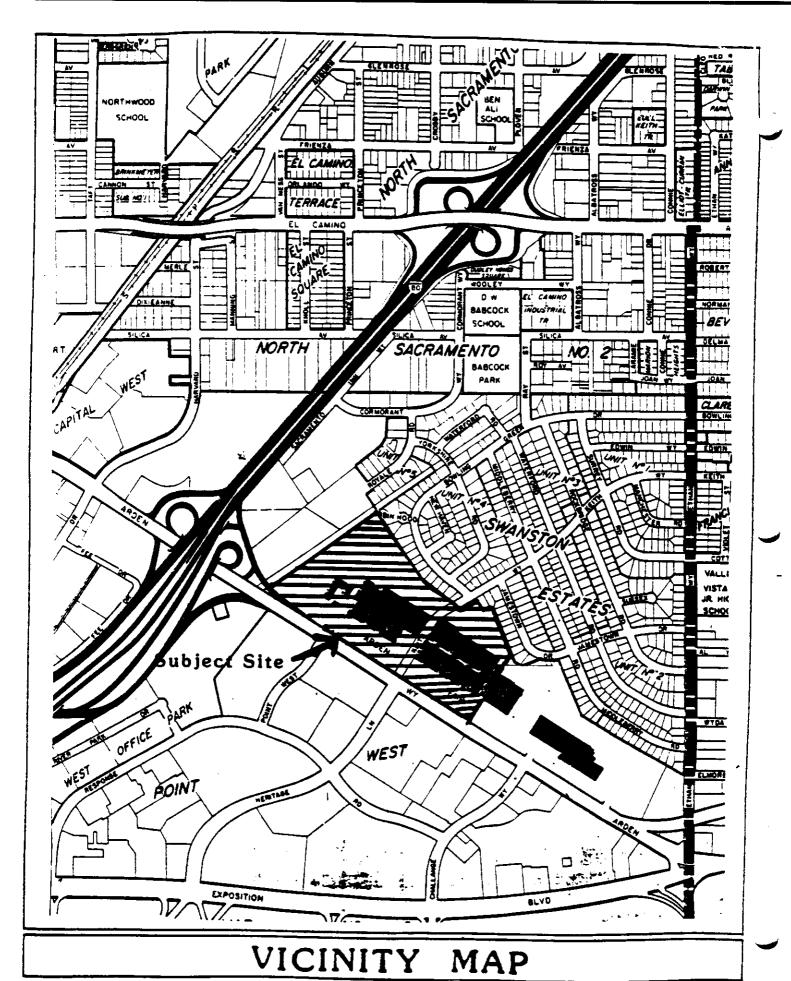
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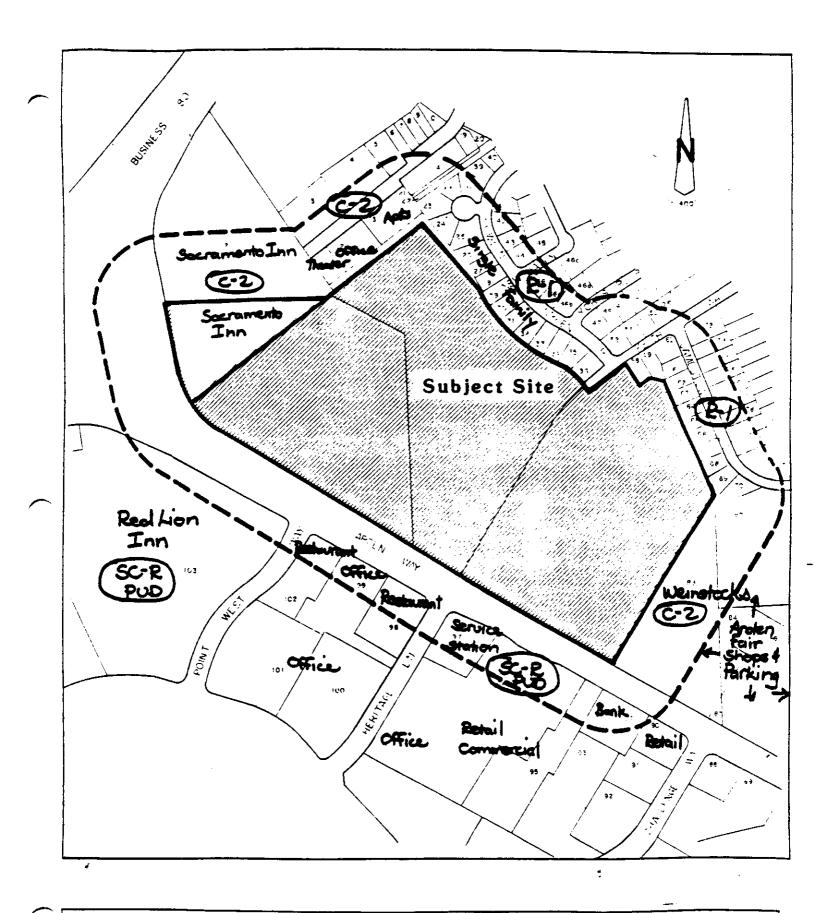


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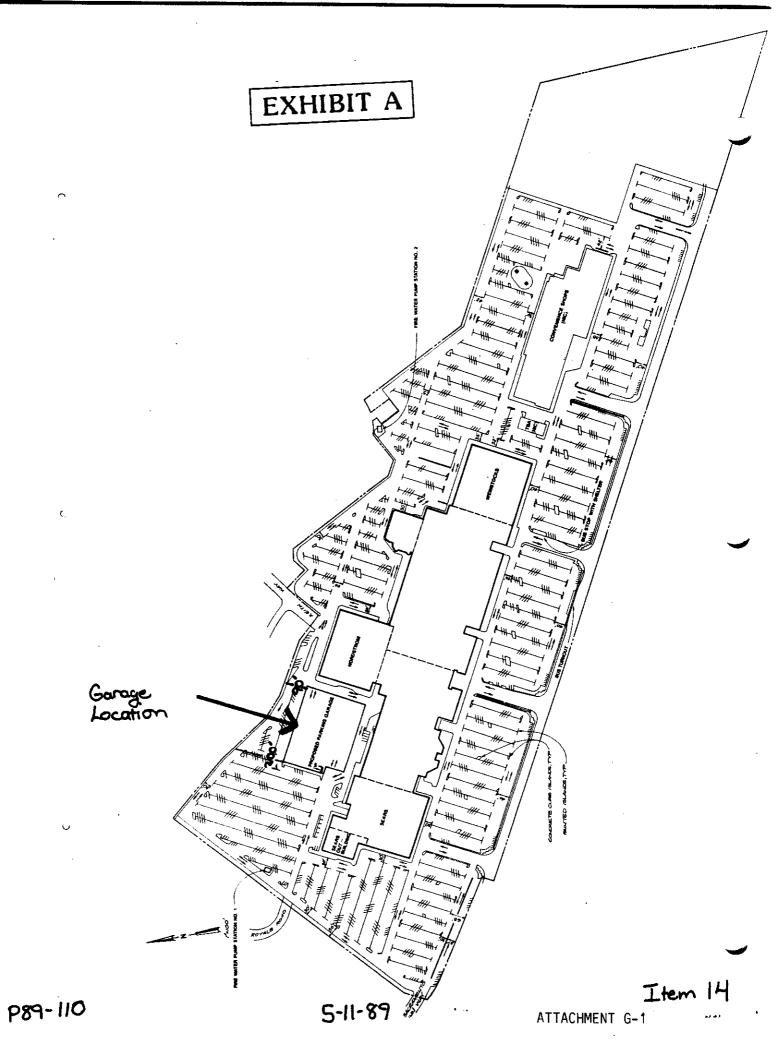
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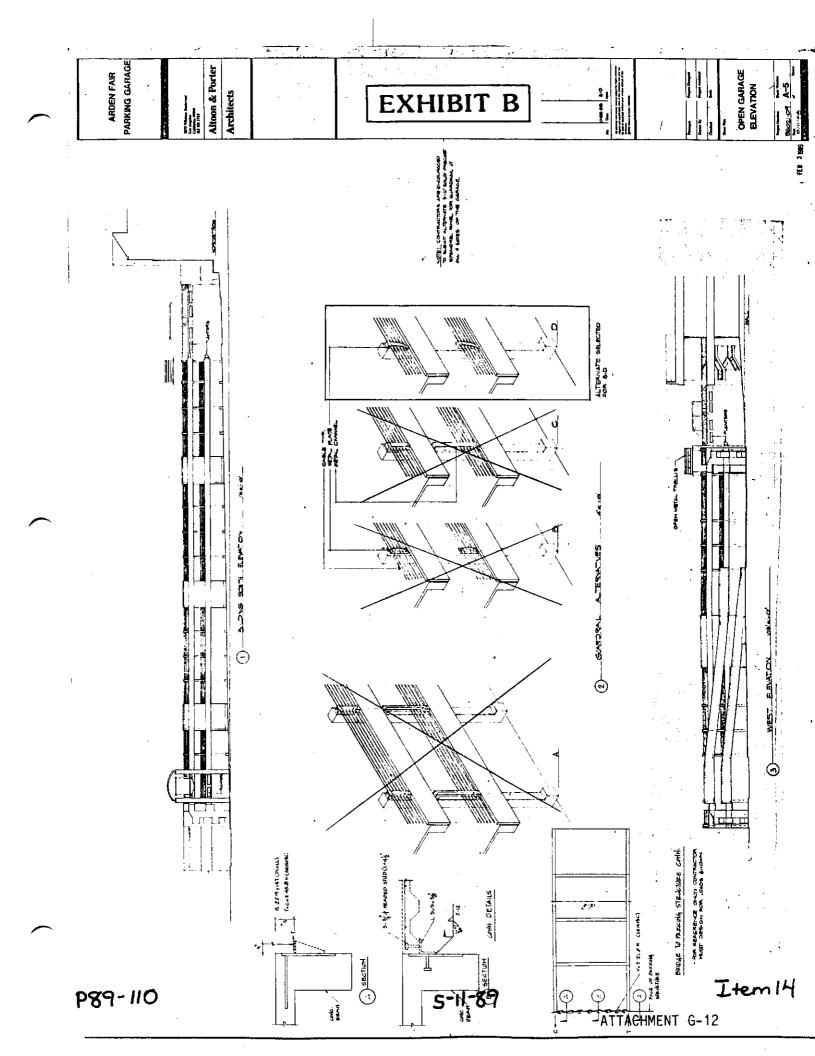
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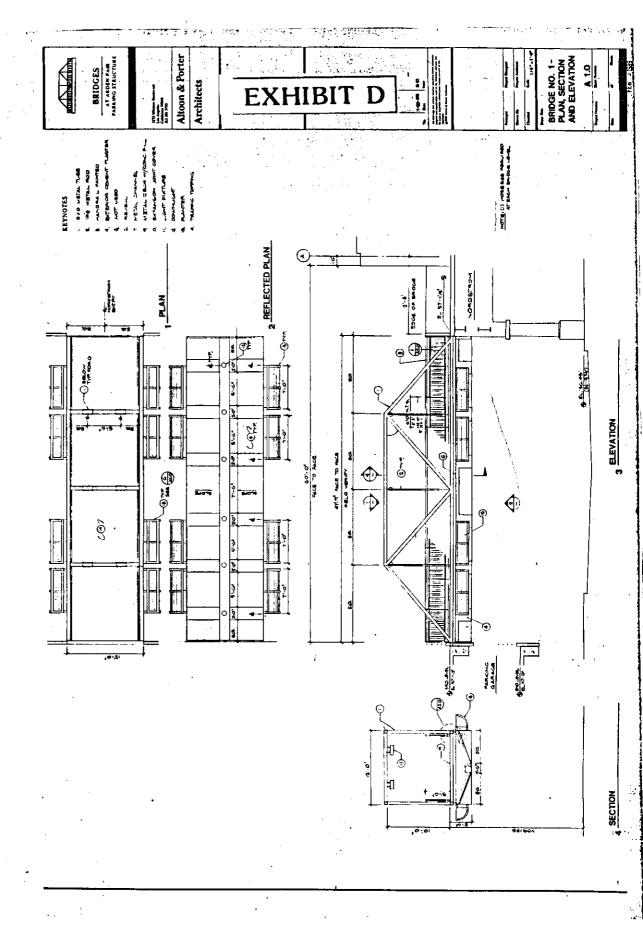


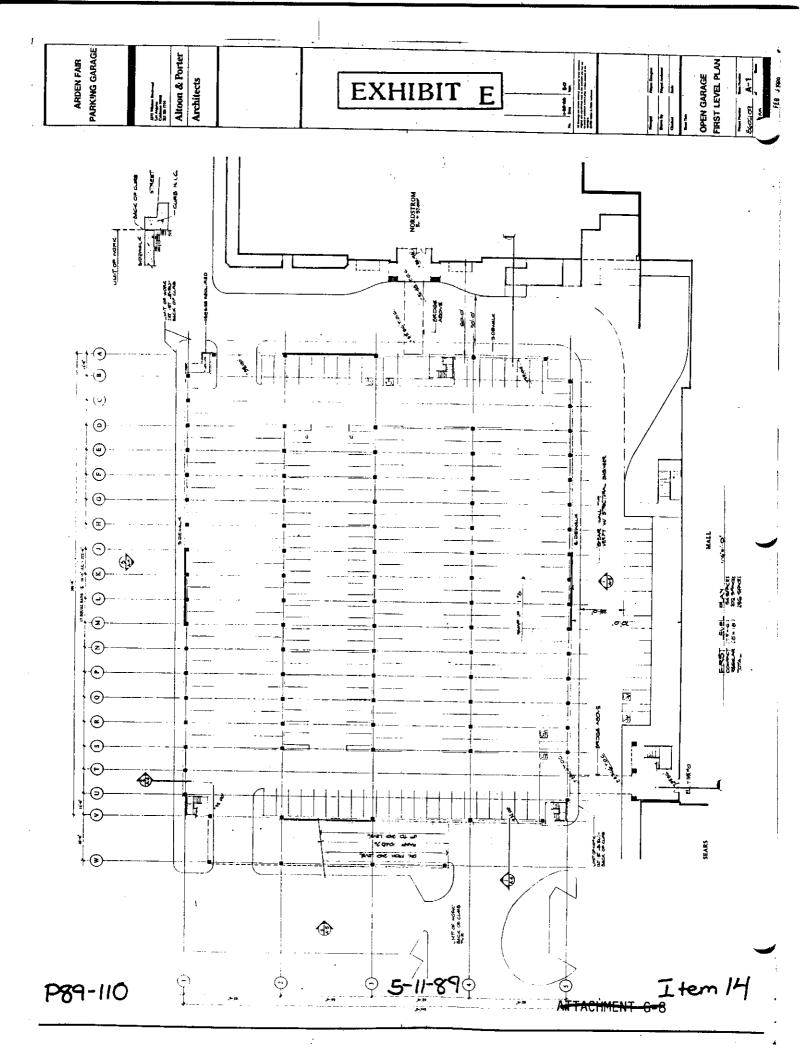
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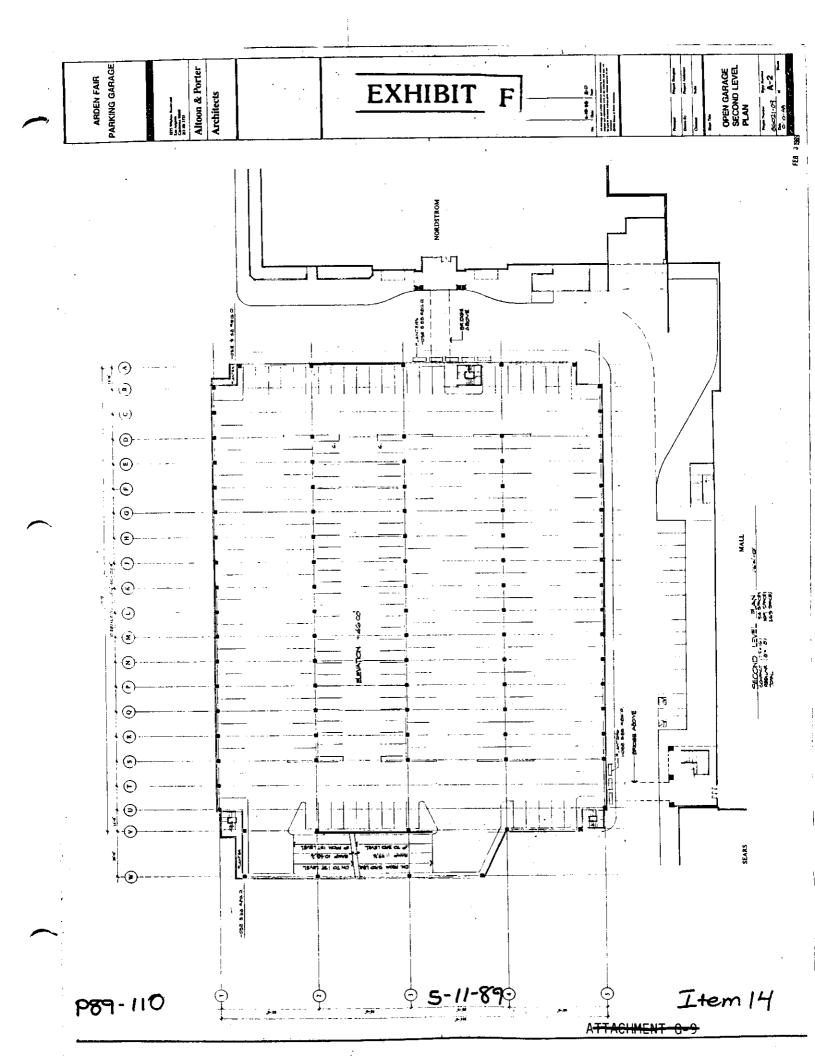
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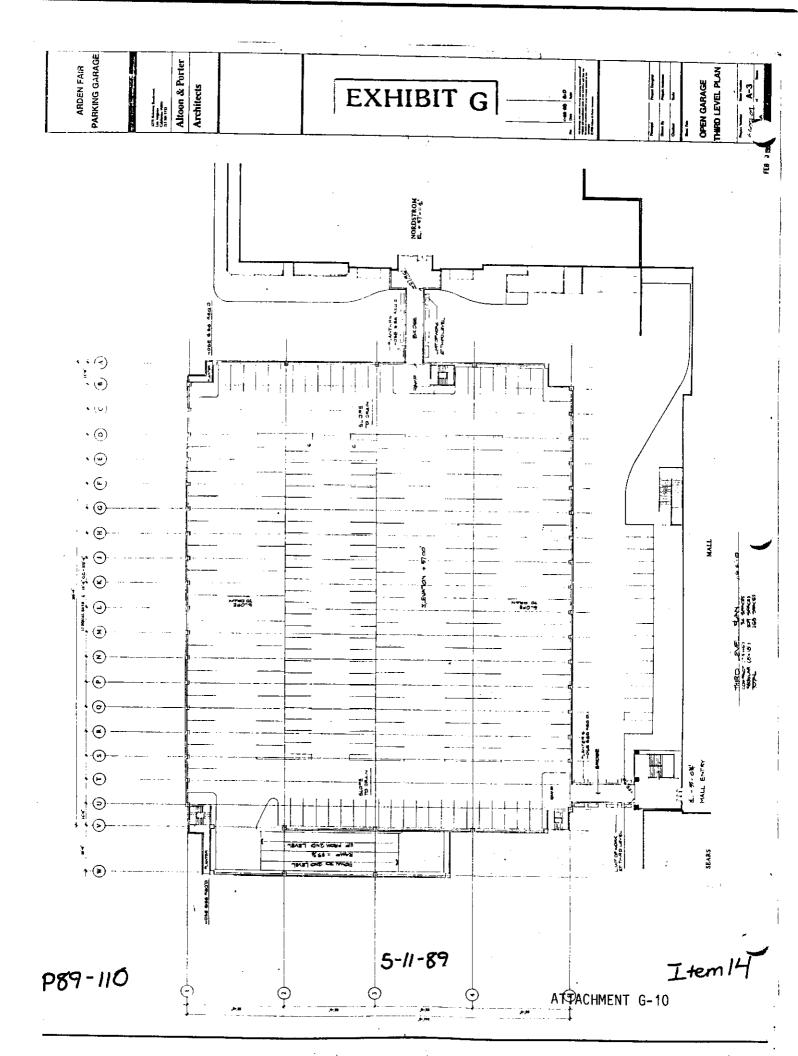
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ATTACHMENT G-11 Item 14









City Planning Commission Sacramento, California

Members in Session:

Various requests for N side of Arden Way between terminus of Challenge Way & Fwy. I-80 $\,$ Subject:

The staff report on this item is being prepared and will be forwarded to you at the earliest possible time.

Respectfully submitted,

Suzanne Himstad.

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