

REPORT AMENDED BY STAFF 2-26-87  
**CITY PLANNING COMMISSION**

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

<b>APPLICANT</b> Nichols, Melburg & Rossetto, AIA, 300 Knollcrest Drive, Redding, CA 96002	
<b>OWNER</b> Church of Latter Day Saints, 50 East North Temple St., Salt Lake City, Utah 84150	
<b>PLANS BY</b> Nichols, Melburg & Rossetto, AIA, 300 Knollcrest Drive, Redding, CA 96002	
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<b>ASSESSOR'S-PCL. NO.</b> 250-0010-80	<b>REPORT BY</b> DJH:SC

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H. Vacant North Half-of Church Site

The north 6 acres are proposed to remain vacant. The church has no plans for the immediate development of the site. If the property is to be sold, a parcel map will be required to divide off the north 6+ acres. At such time as the map is required, a condition should be the replacement of the 6 foot chainlink fence along the north parking lot area with a 6 foot high solid decorative masonry wall. Residential development may occur on the north half of the site so that a wall will be required.

Due to the curve of San Juan Road, access to the north vacant area should be limited to one driveway, preferably the proposed driveway to the church. By providing a joint access easement, the need for separate driveways is eliminated and the possibility of traffic conflicts on San Juan Road reduced.

I. Variance to Exceed the 35 foot Height Limit

The two spires, 46 and 36 feet in height, will be constructed with a brick base and the towers will be constructed of either metal or fiberglass material. No colors were indicated for type spires. According to the Zoning Ordinance, roof structures erected on top of a building not exceeding 50 percent of the roof area may extend 20 percent into the maximum height allowed in that zone. Twenty percent of 35 feet is 7 feet so that the spire, if attached to the building, could be 42 feet in height.

As a detached structure, the circumstance for considering the height variance is unique. Prior consideration by the Commission on similar requests for church spires were attached to the roof, not a detached structure. Staff observes that the function is similar to a flag pole indicating a specific location and use. The proposed spires are architecturally compatible with the main buildings. Staff concurs with the applicant's statement that spires are found with church developments and that their design will enhance building identification for church members. Since the function of the detached spire is similar to the attached spire referenced in the Zoning Ordinance, and the 42 foot height limit is proposed to be exceeded by 4 feet, staff anticipates no problem in supporting the height variance for both spires.

Staff recommends that the foundations for the spires be located behind the building setback line of 25 feet from the public right-of-way along Rio Tierra Avenue.

J. Trash Enclosure and Satellite Dish Antenna

The site plan shows a combined storage building and trash enclosure along the north parking lot line. Staff recommends that the trash enclosure be constructed according

to the Trash Enclosure Guidelines, Exhibit A. The storage building should be constructed of materials similar in color and type used in the main buildings.

The proposed satellite dish antenna will be screened with an enclosure. Since the dish is adjacent to the building, staff recommends that it be screened by a wall or enclosure constructed of materials similar to the main building.

K. Roof Mounted Mechanical Equipment

All mechanical equipment will be ground mounted adjacent to each building behind enclosures. If any roof-mounted equipment is proposed, it shall be screened from view off adjacent roadways and residential areas. No unscreened equipment shall be allowed. This includes SMUD transformers or PG&E gas meters.

L. On-site Lighting

Parking lot lighting is proposed on 18 foot high poles. No light shall reflect off-site onto residentially zoned or used properties.

M. Signage

The applicant proposes to have one attached, non-illuminated building identification sign board measuring 6 feet in length by 4 feet in height utilizing chrome or bronze letter's. The sign will be facing Rio Tierra Avenue. Staff observes that additional signage may be requested for San Juan Road frontage so that subsequent review of all signage may be required. Staff recommends that prior to issuance of sign permits, the applicant submit a signage program for review and approval by the Planning Director.

N. Agency Comments:

The proposed project was reviewed by the City Engineer, Traffic Engineer, Water Division and South Natomas Advisory Committee with the following comments received:

1. City Engineer - Standard improvements required at time of building permit.
2. City Traffic Engineer-
  - a) 3 foot outward flare on driveway curbs.
  - b) T-entrances not advised; shift driveways to be in line with a through isle.
  - c) Prior to approval the exact locations of all intersections near the driveways must be shown on the plan. Driveways which create adverse conditions at an intersection will be prohibited.
  - d) Parking lot may be used as a shortcut between Rio Tierra and San Juan. This will not be the City's problem.
  - e) Driveway on San Juan to be 13 feet from property line.

Environmental Determination: The Environmental Coordinator has determined that the proposal will not have a significant impact on the environment and has filed a Negative Declaration.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the following actions:

- A. Ratify the Negative Declaration; and
- B. Recommend Approval of the Schematic Plan Amendment to the Sunset Meadows PUD; and
- C. Approve the Special Permit subject to conditions and based upon findings of fact which follow; and
- D. Approve the Variance based upon findings of fact which follow.

Conditions-Special Permit

1. The proposed church buildings shall be developed per the submitted site plan and elevations including phasing limits.
2. A minimum of 220 parking spaces shall be provided for Phase I.
3. The applicant shall submit detailed revised landscaping and irrigation plans showing the following:
  - a. 50 percent shading within 15 years of planting for all paved surfaces.
  - b. Use of living ground cover on all exposed earth areas. The Phase II building area shall be planted in lawn and maintained. The north vacant area shall be mowed, kept clean of rubbish and not create a visual, dust or fire hazard.
  - c. A two-foot vehicle overhang shall be designed into the planters adjacent to parking stalls.
  - d. Evergreen trees shall be planted along the east and west property lines to create a year-round visual buffer from adjacent parcels.
4. The applicant shall show a 6 foot high solid decorative masonry wall along the west property line separating the Lutheran Church from the proposed church. The wall *along the driveway* shall extend to San Juan Road and *for this portion be constructed of masonry pillars and solid wood boara fencing.* Maximum height of the wall within 25 feet of Rio Tierra Avenue or San Juan Road shall not exceed 3 feet. (*staff amended*)
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9. Driveways off Rio Tierra Avenue shall be relocated to the satisfaction of the City Traffic Engineer regarding alignment with existing streets south of Rio Tierra Avenue.
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18. The proposed building, due to its mass and size shall be set back 48 feet as shown on the site plan.
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Findings of Fact - Special Permit Approval

1. The proposed project, as conditioned, is based upon sound principles of land use in that the proposed church is compatible with adjacent commercial, church, and residential development and proximity to the I-80 freeway.
2. The proposal, as conditioned, will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare nor result in the creation of a nuisance, in that adequate parking, landscaping and architectural design are provided.
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Findings of Fact-Variance Approval

1. The variance, as conditioned, does not constitute a special privilege extended to one individual property owner, in that:
  - a. The spire, if attached to the building would be allowed to extend to 42 feet in height without a variance from the 35 foot height limit. Four additional feet increases visibility with no adverse effects.
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The north 6 acres are proposed to remain vacant. The church has no plans for the immediate development of the site. If the property is to be sold, a parcel map will be required to divide off the north 6+ acres. At such time as the map is required, a condition should be the replacement of the 6 foot chainlink fence along the north parking lot area with a 6 foot high solid decorative masonry wall. Residential development may occur on the north half of the site so that a wall will be required.

Due to the curve of San Juan Road, access to the north vacant area should be limited to one driveway, preferably the proposed driveway to the church. By providing a joint access easement, the need for separate driveways is eliminated and the possibility of traffic conflicts on San Juan Road reduced.

I. Variance to Exceed the 35 foot Height Limit

The two spires, 46 and 36 feet in height, will be constructed with a brick base and the towers will be constructed of either metal or fiberglass material. No colors were indicated for type spires. According to the Zoning Ordinance, roof structures erected on top of a building not exceeding 50 percent of the roof area may extend 20 percent into the maximum height allowed in that zone. Twenty percent of 35 feet is 7 feet so that the spire, if attached to the building, could be 42 feet in height.

As a detached structure, the circumstance for considering the height variance is unique. Prior consideration by the Commission on similar requests for church spires were attached to the roof, not a detached structure. Staff observes that the function is similar to a flag pole indicating a specific location and use. The proposed spires are architecturally compatible with the main buildings. Staff concurs with the applicant's statement that spires are found with church developments and that their design will enhance building identification for church members. Since the function of the detached spire is similar to the attached spire referenced in the Zoning Ordinance, and the 42 foot height limit is proposed to be exceeded by 4 feet, staff anticipates no problem in supporting the height variance for both spires.

Staff recommends that the foundations for the spires be located behind the building setback line of 25 feet from the public right-of-way along Rio Tierra Avenue.

J. Trash Enclosure and Satellite Dish Antenna

The site plan shows a combined storage building and trash enclosure along the north parking lot line. Staff recommends that the trash enclosure be constructed according

to the Trash Enclosure Guidelines, Exhibit A. The storage building should be constructed of materials similar in color and type used in the main buildings.

The proposed satellite dish antenna will be screened with an enclosure. Since the dish is adjacent to the building, staff recommends that it be screened by a wall or enclosure constructed of materials similar to the main building.

K. Roof Mounted Mechanical Equipment

All mechanical equipment will be ground mounted adjacent to each building behind enclosures. If any roof-mounted equipment is proposed, it shall be screened from view off adjacent roadways and residential areas. No unscreened equipment shall be allowed. This includes SMUD transformers or PG&E gas meters.

L. On-site Lighting

Parking lot lighting is proposed on 18 foot high poles. No light shall reflect off-site onto residentially zoned or used properties.

M. Signage

The applicant proposes to have one attached, non-illuminated building identification sign board measuring 6 feet in length by 4 feet in height utilizing chrome or bronze letter's. The sign will be facing Rio Tierra Avenue. Staff observes that additional signage may be requested for San Juan Road frontage so that subsequent review of all signage may be required. Staff recommends that prior to issuance of sign permits, the applicant submit a signage program for review and approval by the Planning Director.

N. Agency Comments:

The proposed project was reviewed by the City Engineer, Traffic Engineer, Water Division and South Natomas Advisory Committee with the following comments received:

1. City Engineer - Standard improvements required at time of building permit.
2. City Traffic Engineer-
  - a) 3 foot outward flare on driveway curbs.
  - b) T-entrances not advised; shift driveways to be in line with a through isle.
  - c) Prior to approval the exact locations of all intersections near the driveways must be shown on the plan. Driveways which create adverse conditions at an intersection will be prohibited.
  - d) Parking lot may be used as a shortcut between Rio Tierra and San Juan. This will not be the City's problem.
  - e) Driveway on San Juan to be 13 feet from property line.

Environmental Determination: The Environmental Coordinator has determined that the proposal will not have a significant impact on the environment and has filed a Negative Declaration.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the following actions:

- A. Ratify the Negative Declaration; and
- B. Recommend Approval of the Schematic Plan Amendment to the Sunset Meadows PUD; and
- C. Approve the Special Permit subject to conditions and based upon findings of fact which follow; and
- D. Approve the Variance based upon findings of fact which follow.

Conditions-Special Permit

1. The proposed church buildings shall be developed per the submitted site plan and elevations including phasing limits.
2. A minimum of 220 parking spaces shall be provided for Phase I.
3. The applicant shall submit detailed revised landscaping and irrigation plans showing the following:
  - a. 50 percent shading within 15 years of planting for all paved surfaces.
  - b. Use of living ground cover on all exposed earth areas. The Phase II building area shall be planted in lawn and maintained. The north vacant area shall be mowed, kept clean of rubbish and not create a visual, dust or fire hazard.
  - c. A two-foot vehicle overhang shall be designed into the planters adjacent to parking stalls.
  - d. Evergreen trees shall be planted along the east and west property lines to create a year-round visual buffer from adjacent parcels.
4. The applicant shall show a 6 foot high solid decorative masonry wall along the west property line separating the Lutheran Church from the proposed church. The wall shall extend to San Juan Road. Maximum height of the wall within 25 feet of Rio Tierra Avenue or San Juan Road shall not exceed 3 feet.
5. No portable concrete wheel stops shall be used in the parking lot.
6. All landscaped areas shall be retained by a 6 inch poured-in-place concrete curb.
7. The parking lot shall be redesigned to comply with the requirements of the City Traffic Engineer. Minimum City standards shall apply for stall dimensions and backout maneuvering area.
8. All driveways shall be designed to include a 3 foot outward flair on driveway curbs as required by Traffic Engineering.



9. Driveways off Rio Tierra Avenue shall be relocated to the satisfaction of the City Traffic Engineer regarding alignment with existing streets south of Rio Tierra Avenue.
10. The applicant shall submit a materials and color board for all structures proposed on the site to the Design Review staff for approval.
11. The applicant shall monitor the use of the San Juan Road access as a short-cut to Rio Tierra Avenue. If a problem arises, restrictions on access should be constructed. If a gate is proposed, it shall be a minimum 25 foot setback from the San Juan Road right-of-way.
12. The trash enclosure shall be designed as per Exhibit A, Trash Enclosure Guidelines.
13. The satellite dish antenna shall be screened with materials similar to the main structures and not be visible from outside the site.
14. All mechanical equipment shall be screened so as to not be visible from off-site.
15. On-site lighting shall not reflect off-site onto residentially zoned or used properties.
16. The applicant shall submit a signage program for review and approval by the Planning staff prior to issuance of sign permits.
17. The proposed landscape setback along Rio Tierra Avenue shall have undulating 3 to 4 foot high berms with lawn and 15 gallon trees. Staff recommends clustering trees in appropriate locations to provide screening of the parking lot and emphasis on the building's visibility.
18. The proposed building, due to its mass and size shall be set back 48 feet as shown on the site plan.
19. This Special Permit shall expire 5 years from date of approval. Any changes to Phase II shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Director prior to building permits.
20. The temporary 6 foot high chainlink fence shall be removed and replaced by a solid 6 foot high masonry wall if the property is divided or residential uses are constructed on the north portion of the lot. All fencing along San Juan Road shall comply with the fence ordinance.
21. The spires shall be set back a minimum of 25 feet from the public right-of-way.
22. The spires shall not be illuminated, either externally or internally.
23. Material and color of the spire shall be reviewed and approved by the Planning Director prior to issuance of building permits.

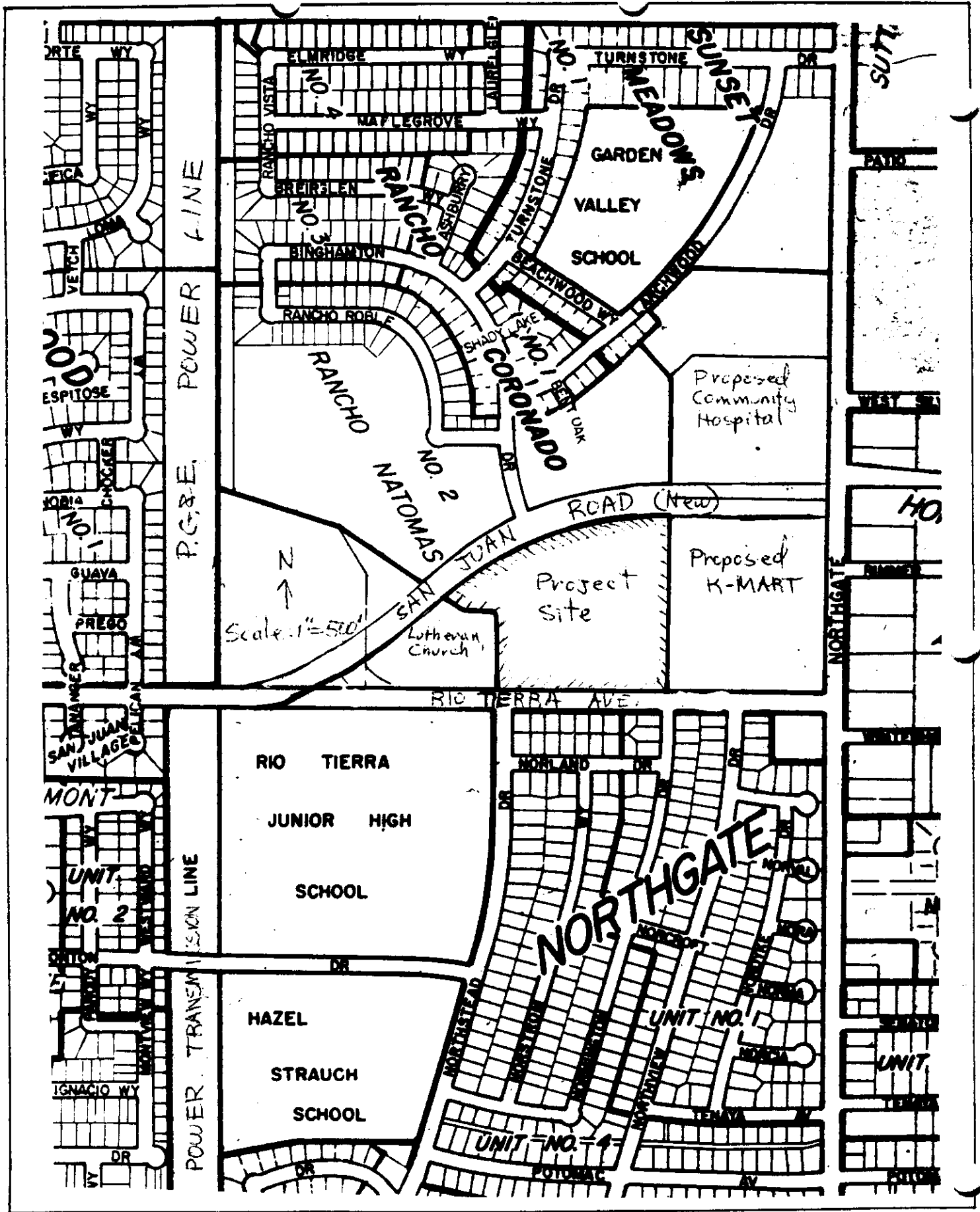
Findings of Fact - Special Permit Approval

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1. The proposed project, as conditioned, is based upon sound principles of land use in that the proposed church is compatible with adjacent commercial, church, and residential development and proximity to the I-80 freeway.
2. The proposal, as conditioned, will not be detrimental to the public health, safety or welfare nor result in the creation of a nuisance, in that adequate parking, landscaping and architectural design are provided.
3. The Special Permit and Schematic Plan Amendment are consistent with the City's Discretionary Land Use Policy in that the site is designated for residential uses in the 1978 and 1986 South Natomas Community Plan and the proposed church conforms with the plan designation subject to securing a special permit.

Findings of Fact-Variance Approval

1. The variance, as conditioned, does not constitute a special privilege extended to one individual property owner, in that:
  - a. The spire, if attached to the building would be allowed to extend to 42 feet in height without a variance from the 35 foot height limit. Four additional feet increases visibility with no adverse effects.
  - b. The Commission in the past has approved variances from the height restriction for church spires when attached to the main building.
  - c. A two foot vehicle overhang shall be designed into the planters adjacent to parking stalls.
2. The variance, as conditioned, will not be injurious to the general public nor surrounding properties in that the spire will not be architecturally incompatible with the proposed project or surrounding properties.
3. The project is consistent with the City's Discretionary Interim Land Use Policy in that the site is designated as residential by the 1986 South Natomas Community Plan and the 1978 South Natomas Community Plan and the proposed church use conforms with this plan designation provided a special permit has been issued.



# VICINITY MAP







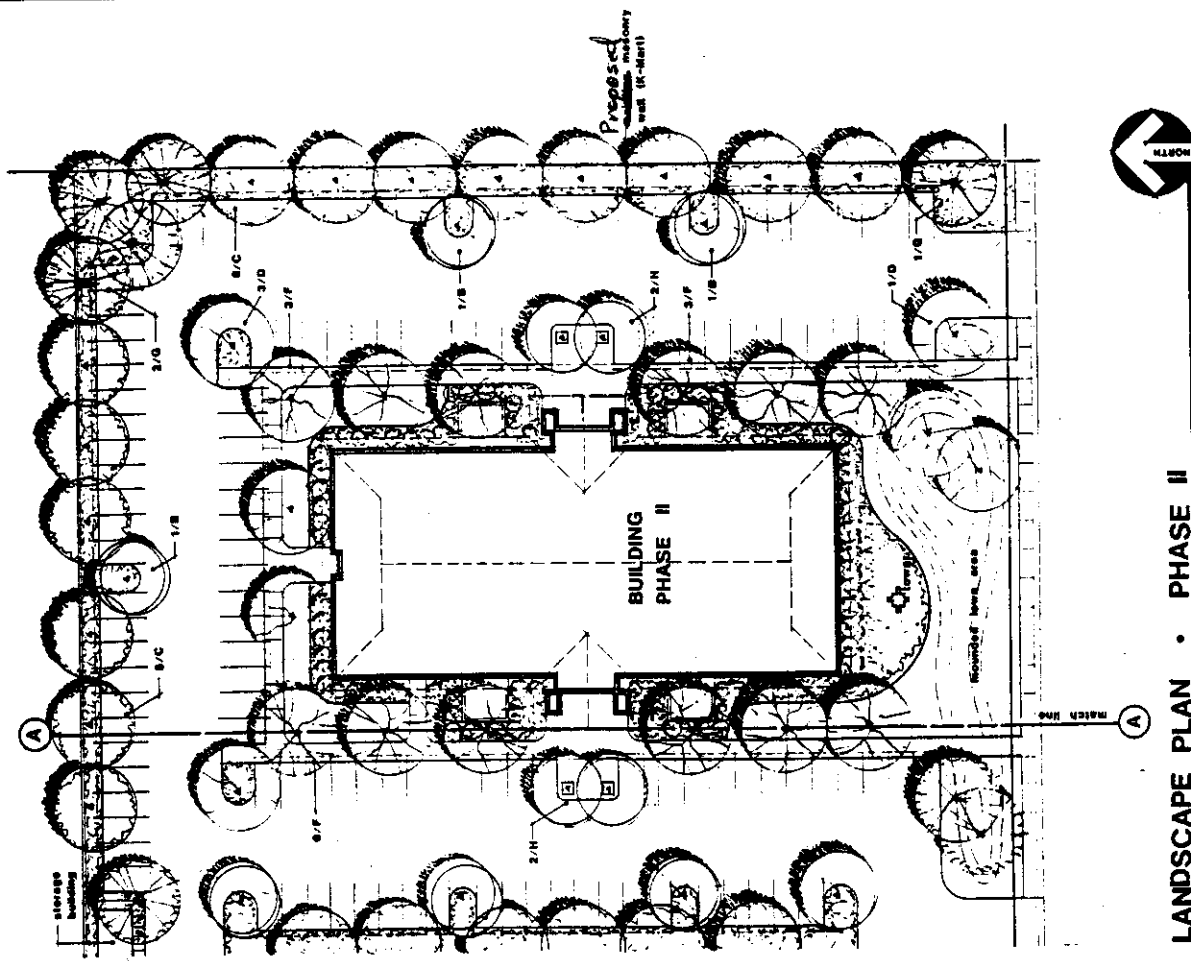
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LANDSCAPE PLAN • PHASE II  
 SCALE: 1" = 20.0'

**LANDSCAPE CALCULATIONS:**

PHASE I  
 Total Planting Area: 12,000 sq. ft.  
 Area Required to be Retained (20% of Total Planting Area) = 2,400 sq. ft.

Tree	Quantity (100%)	Area (100%)	Area Retained (20%)	# of Plants (100%)
A. Western Cotoneaster	12 (100%)	11,100 sq. ft.	2,220 sq. ft.	12 (100%)
B. Pacifica Clematis	24 (100%)	18,360 sq. ft.	3,672 sq. ft.	24 (100%)
C. Crataegus	24 (100%)	1,440 sq. ft.	288 sq. ft.	24 (100%)
D. Prunella	144 (100%)	1,440 sq. ft.	288 sq. ft.	144 (100%)
E. Corylus	144 (100%)	1,440 sq. ft.	288 sq. ft.	144 (100%)
F. Taxus	144 (100%)	1,440 sq. ft.	288 sq. ft.	144 (100%)
G. Liquidambar	144 (100%)	1,440 sq. ft.	288 sq. ft.	144 (100%)
H. Prunus	144 (100%)	1,440 sq. ft.	288 sq. ft.	144 (100%)
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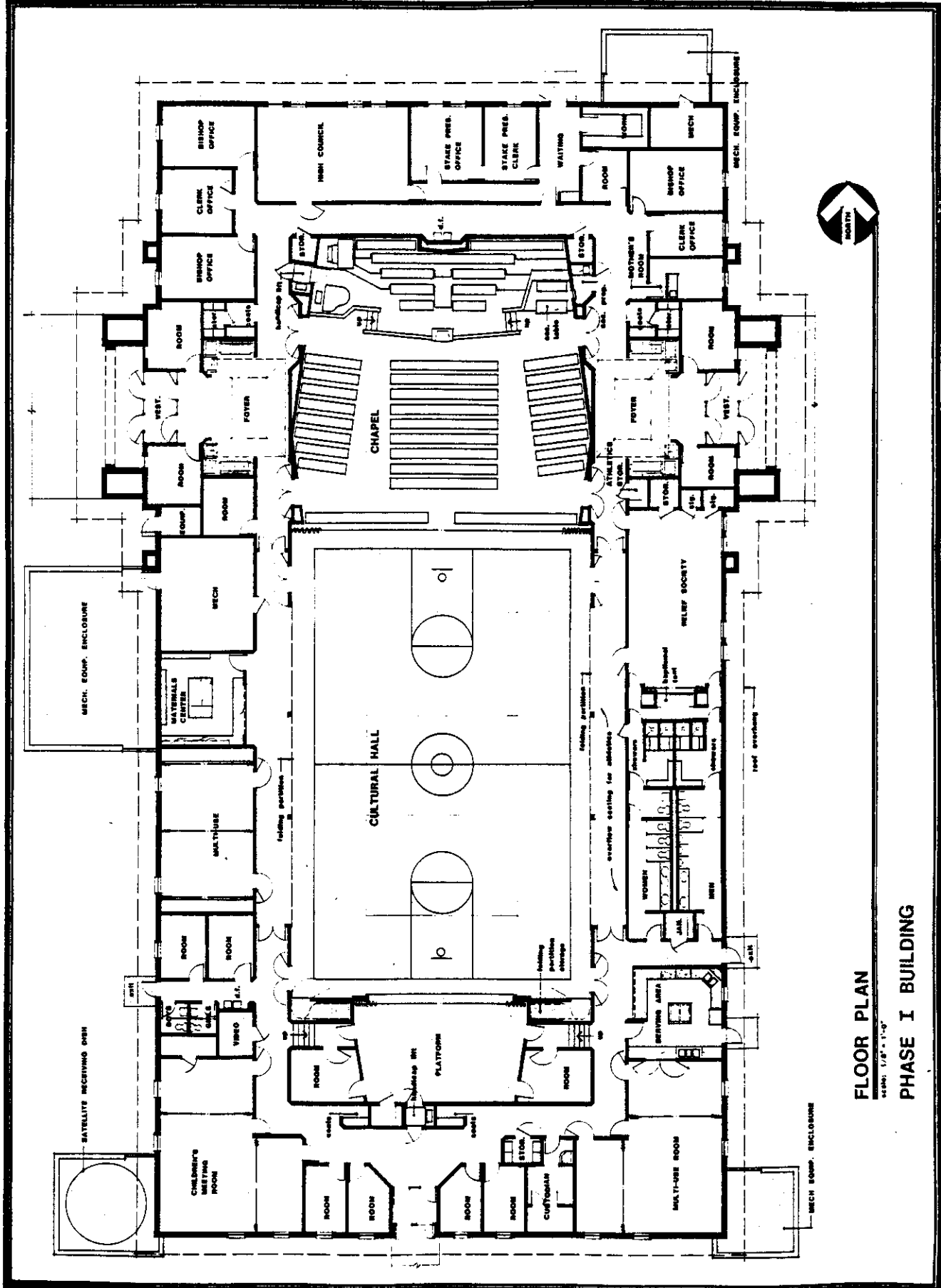
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Tree	Quantity (100%)	Area (100%)	Area Retained (20%)	# of Plants (100%)
B. Pacifica Clematis	1 (100%)	1,100 sq. ft.	220 sq. ft.	1 (100%)
C. Crataegus	1 (100%)	1,100 sq. ft.	220 sq. ft.	1 (100%)
D. Prunella	1 (100%)	1,100 sq. ft.	220 sq. ft.	1 (100%)
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<b>Total</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7,700</b>	<b>1,540</b>	<b>7</b>

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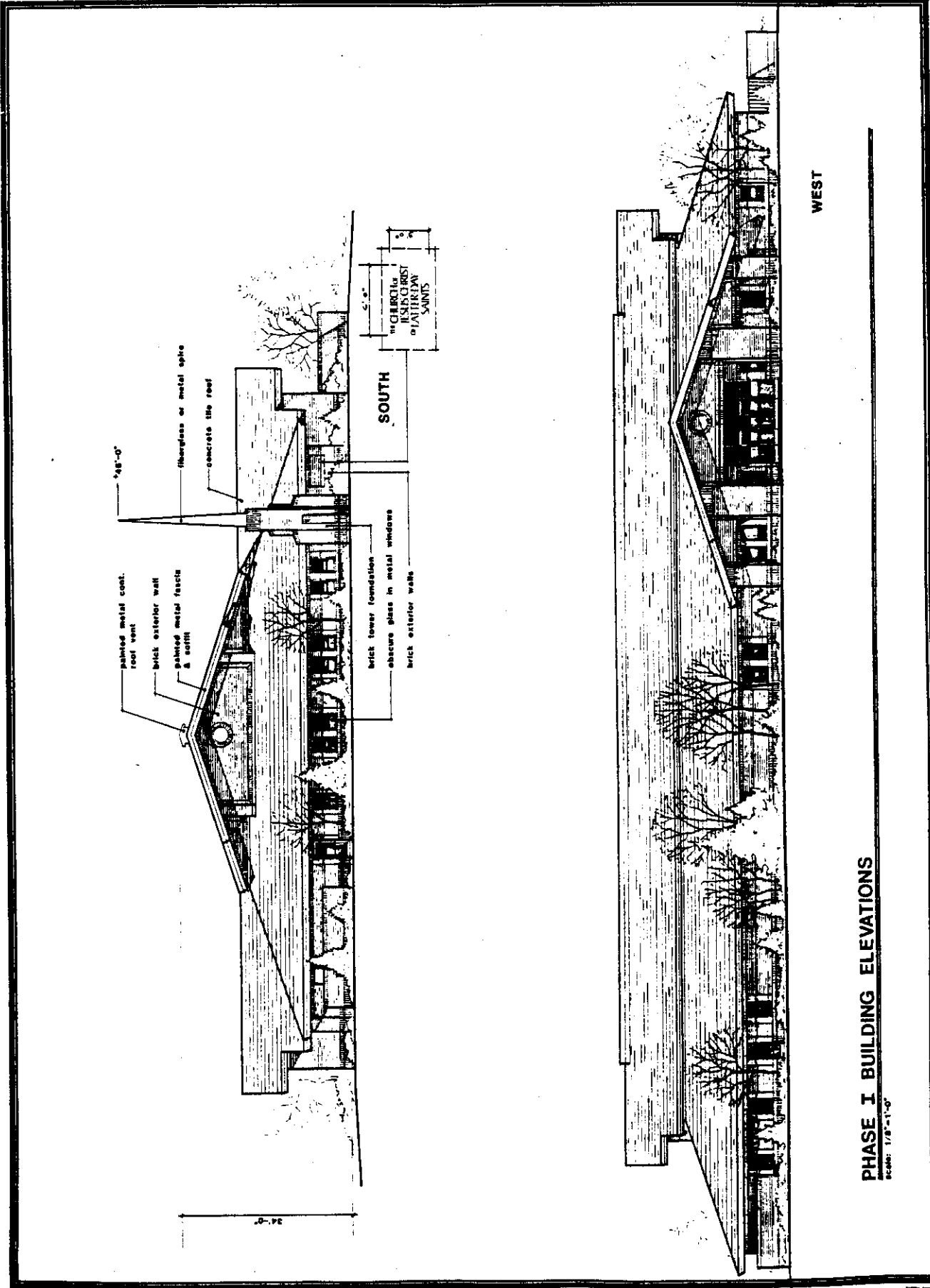
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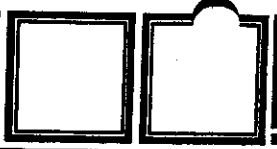

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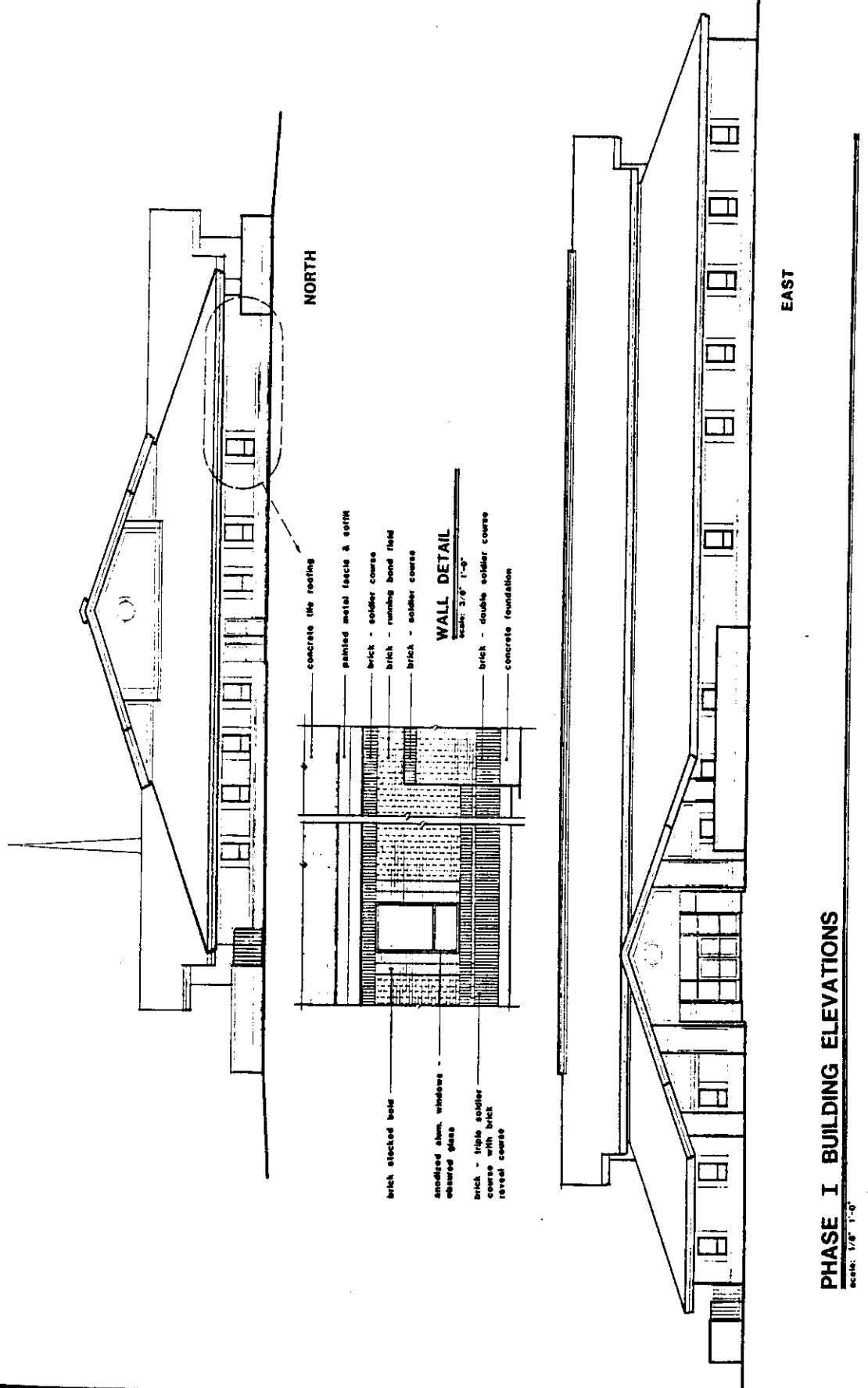


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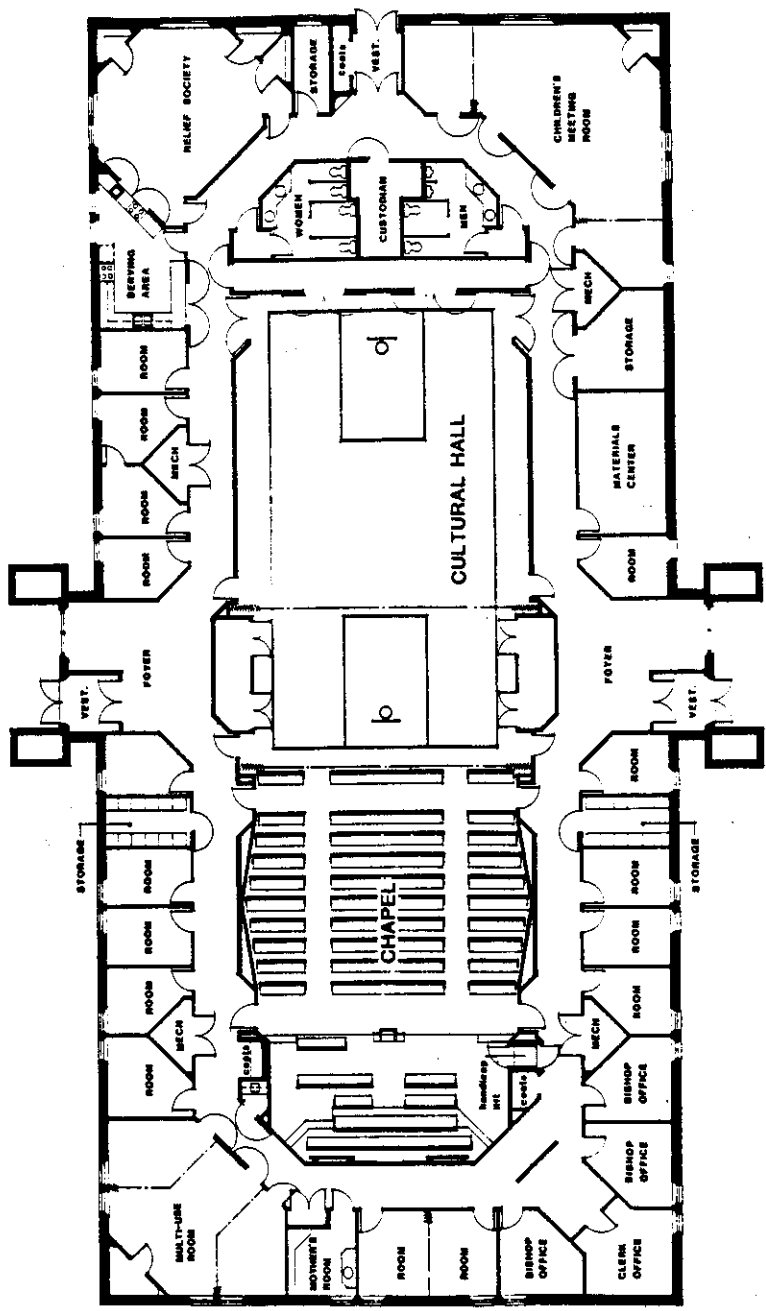


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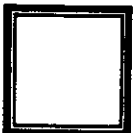
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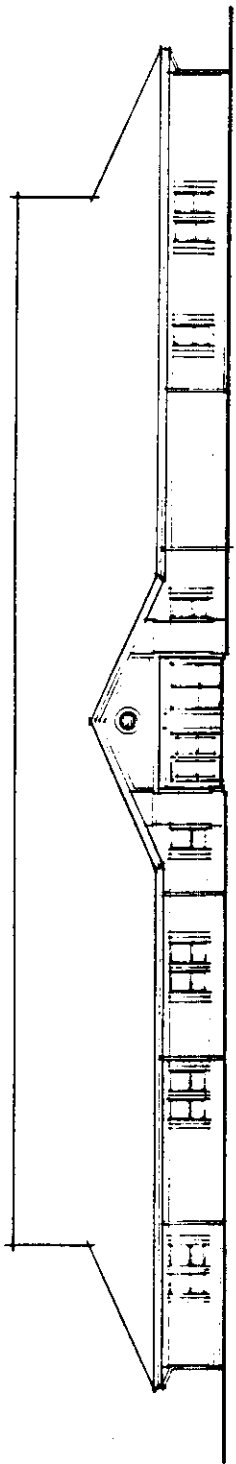
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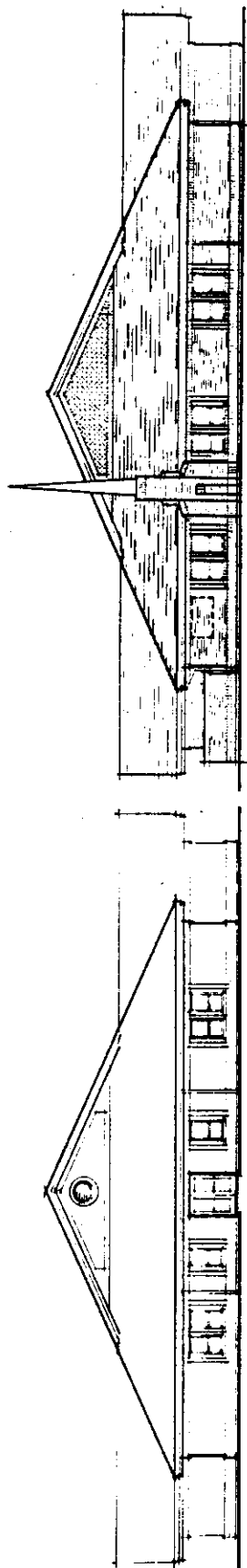
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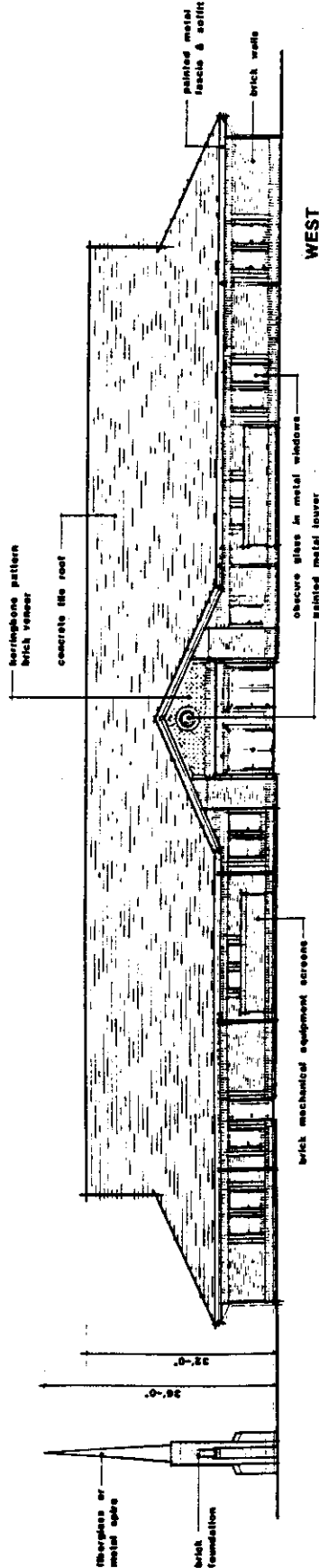


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PHASE II BUILDING ELEVATIONS

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## TRASH ENCLOSURE GUIDELINES

The walls of the trash enclosure structure shall be constructed of solid masonry material and the exterior surface finished in a manner compatible with the main structure(s).

The trash enclosure structure shall have heavy gauge metal gates and designed with cane bolts on the doors to secure the gates when in the open position. The hinges shall be sufficient in size, strength and number to adequately support the metal gates.

The trash enclosure facility shall be designed to allow walk-in access by janitors without having to open the main enclosure gates;

The walls shall be a minimum six feet in height, more if necessary for adequate screening.

The perimeter of the trash enclosure structure shall be screened with landscaping, including a combination of shrubs and/or climbing ever-green vines.

A concrete apron shall be constructed in front of the trash enclosure facility or at point of dumpster pickup by the waste removal truck. The location, size and orientation of the concrete apron shall depend on the design capacity of the trash enclosure facility (number of trash dumpsters provided) and the direction of the waste removal truck at the point of dumpster pickup;

The minimum dimensions of the concrete apron for a single, two cubic yard dumpster shall be: width 10 feet or width of enclosure facility; length 20 feet. Larger trash enclosure facilities shall require a larger concrete apron, subject to the approval of the City Building Inspections Division Building Technician (Plan Checker);

Paving material shall consist of 5" aggregate base rock and 6" portland cement paving.

~~A trellis structure covering the trash facility shall be constructed to screen these units from view from the upper floors of the office building.~~

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Planning Commission  
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RE: Brief description of geographical units in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, and building occupancy patterns for meetings.

- I. The church is divided into units called "Stakes" and "Wards". Each "Stake" consists of several "Wards". Each "Stake" has a meetinghouse designated as the "Stake Center". Phase I building in this application is a "Stake Center". Phase II building is a "Ward" meetinghouse. On normal Sundays each "Ward" meets in a meetinghouse designed to accomodate a congregation of up to 300-400 people (average of about 200). In each meetinghouse there may be from one to four separate "Wards" sharing the building with alternating schedules. The worst scenario would be the following, with overlapping of two "Wards" sharing the building and parking facilities for 30 minutes. (Example: "Ward I" 8-11 am, "Ward II" 10:30am-1:30pm, "Ward III" 1:00-4:00, "Ward IV" 3:30-6:30.) Even with overlapping schedules, there would not be more than 400-600 people in the building at one time, on regular Sundays.
- II. The exceptions to the normal Sunday schedule are as follows:
  1. Each "Stake" has a combined meeting called "Stake Conference" every six months, in which all "Wards" meet together for 2 hours in the "Stake Center". When a "Stake" is of sufficient size to exceed the seating capacity of the "Stake Center", the conference is held in two sessions, with half of the "Wards" in attendance at each session. Maximum seating capacity would not be exceeded.
  2. In addition to "Stake Conferences", each "Stake Center" is equipped with a satellite receiving dish. On the first Sunday in April and the first Sunday in October of each year there are special world-wide conference broadcasts via satellite to each "Stake Center" from church leaders in Salt Lake City. Many members who do not have access to satellite broadcasts at home come to the church. Attendance is less than a normal "Stake Conference". Maximum seating capacity would not be exceeded.

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III. Meetings held on days other than Sunday are small, with few parking spaces needed.

IV. Activities such as dances for the youth may reach the capacity of the building on special occasions that would occur two or three times per year on Friday or Saturday evening, or New Years Eve.

If clarification of these use patterns is needed, please call me at 331-3480 or 9295456.

Sincerely,

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