

CITY OF LONG BEACH

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DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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July 21, 2009

HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL City of Long Beach California

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive the supporting documents into the record, conclude the public hearing, and adopt the Resolution amending the General Plan designation of the site from Open Space and Park District (LUD#11) to Institutional and School District (LUD#10); and

Declare the Ordinance amending the Zoning designation of the site from Park (P) to Institutional (I) read the first time and laid over to the next regular meeting of the City Council for final reading for the Kroc Center Project located at 1900 Walnut Avenue. (District 6)

DISCUSSION

The Salvation Army is proposing to construct a 170,536-square-foot community center and recreation facility at Chittick Field (a.k.a. Hamilton Bowl) that includes the following (Exhibit A – Plans and photos):

- A 73,910-square-foot administration/education building with drop-in daycare, classrooms, a library, a kitchen, art studios, multipurpose rooms, a computer lab and administration offices.
- An 84,171-square-foot recreation center that includes a gymnasium, classrooms, a fitness center, a weight room, locker rooms and an indoor therapy pool.
- A 12,455-square-foot chapel/auditorium with a lobby, lecture halls, stage and backstage areas.
- An outdoor recreation area that includes a 4-acre playing field (soccer/football), a 50-meter swimming pool, warm-up pool, and a leisure pool with fountains, slides and a children's area. Other amenities include a playground, walking trails, 10,000-square-foot amphitheater, outdoor climbing wall, challenge course, outdoor patio and horticulture area.

In addition to the proposed community center and related amenities, the site will continue to function as a storm water detention basin per the requirements of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works. The project proposes a state-of-the-art filtration system to capture trash as well as other unwanted particulate matter (i.e., heavy metals) prior to the water entering the storm drain system and, ultimately, the Pacific Ocean.

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The proposed General Plan Amendment from Open Space and Park District (LUD#11) to Institutional and School District (LUD#10) is consistent with the intent and goals of the adopted General Plan. The proposed change furthers the goals of maintaining and strengthening the surrounding neighborhood as well as providing quality recreational opportunities.

The project is required to meet the LEED Certified level of energy-efficient design standards.

On June 18, 2009, the Planning Commission approved the Site Plan and Certified the Environmental Impact Report (Exhibit B – Planning Commission Staff Report). In addition, the Planning Commission recommended that the City Council approve the General Plan Amendment and Zone Change.

This letter was reviewed by Assistant City Attorney Michael Mais on June 30, 2009 and by Budget and Performance Management Bureau Manager David Wodynski on July 1, 2009.

TIMING CONSIDERATIONS

The Municipal Code requires Council action within 60 days of positive action by the Planning Commission, which took place on June 18, 2009.

APPROVED:

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the requested action.

SUGGESTED ACTION:

Approve recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

CRAIG BECK
DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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Attachments:

Exhibit A - Site Plan and Photos

Exhibit B - Planning Commission Staff Report (Attachment online at

longbeach.legistar.com/calendar.aspx)

City Council Resolution City Council Ordinance

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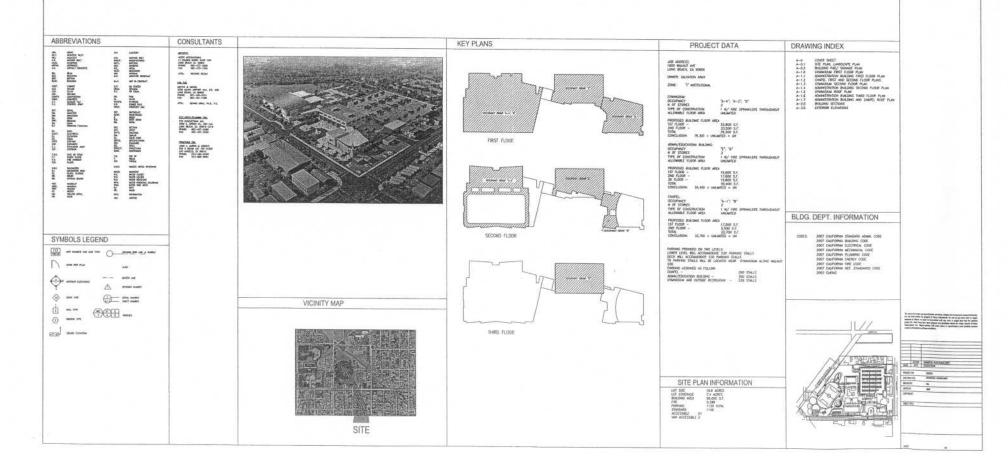
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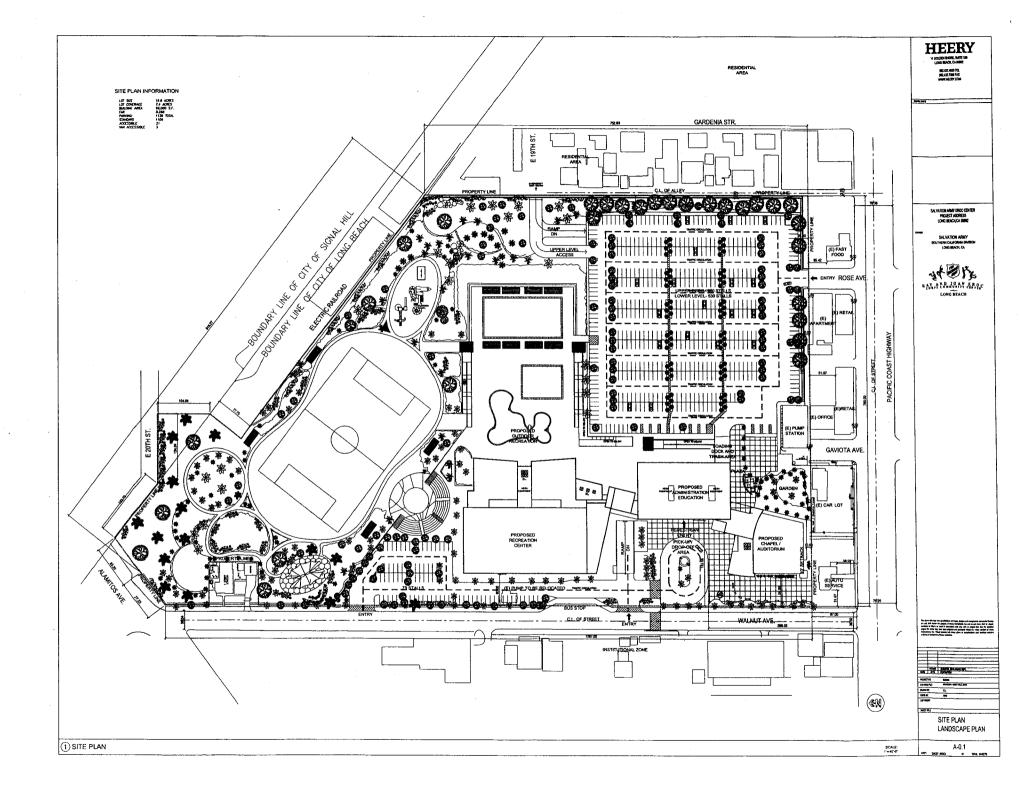
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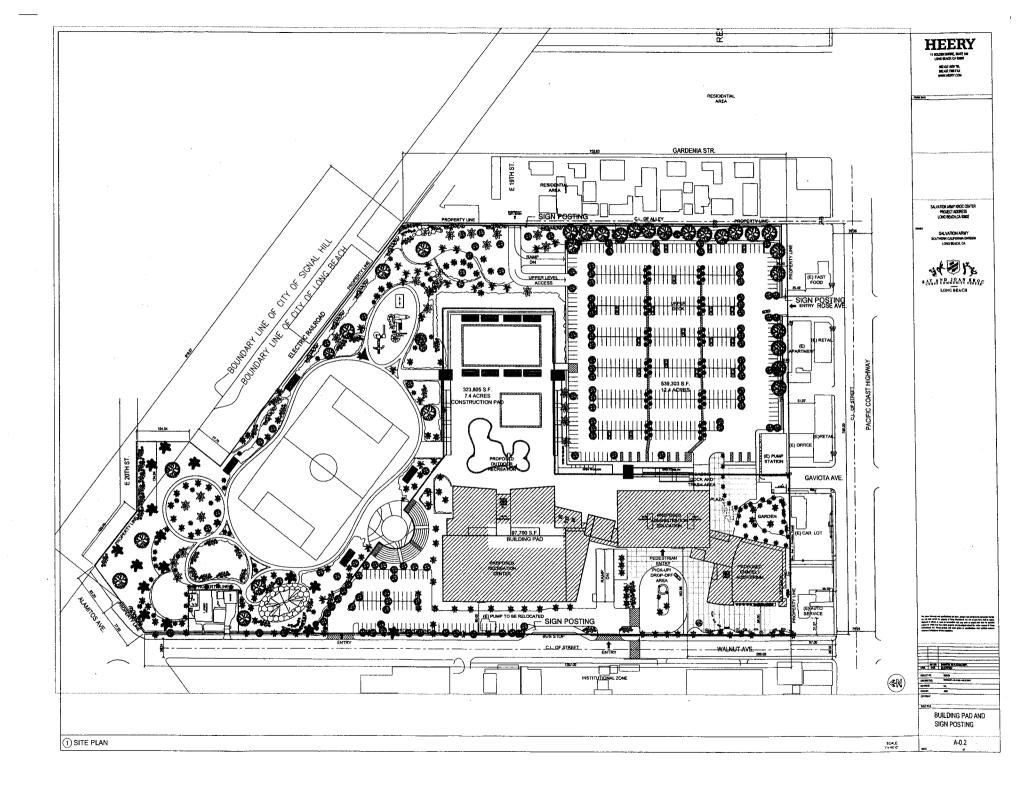
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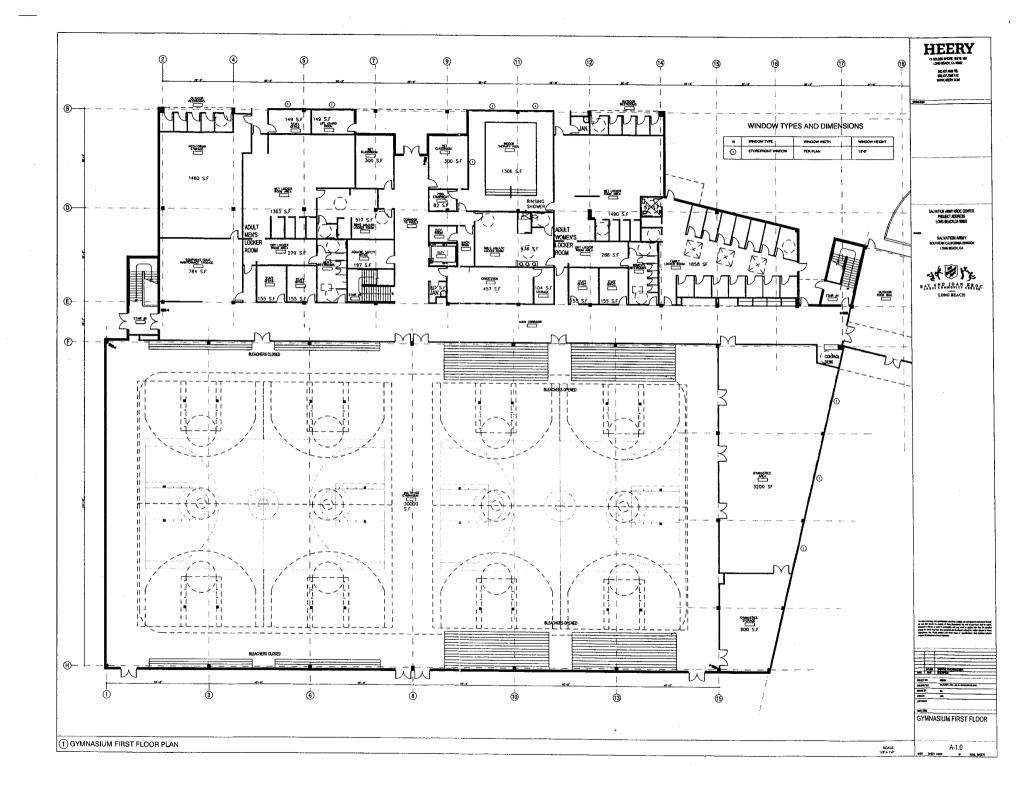
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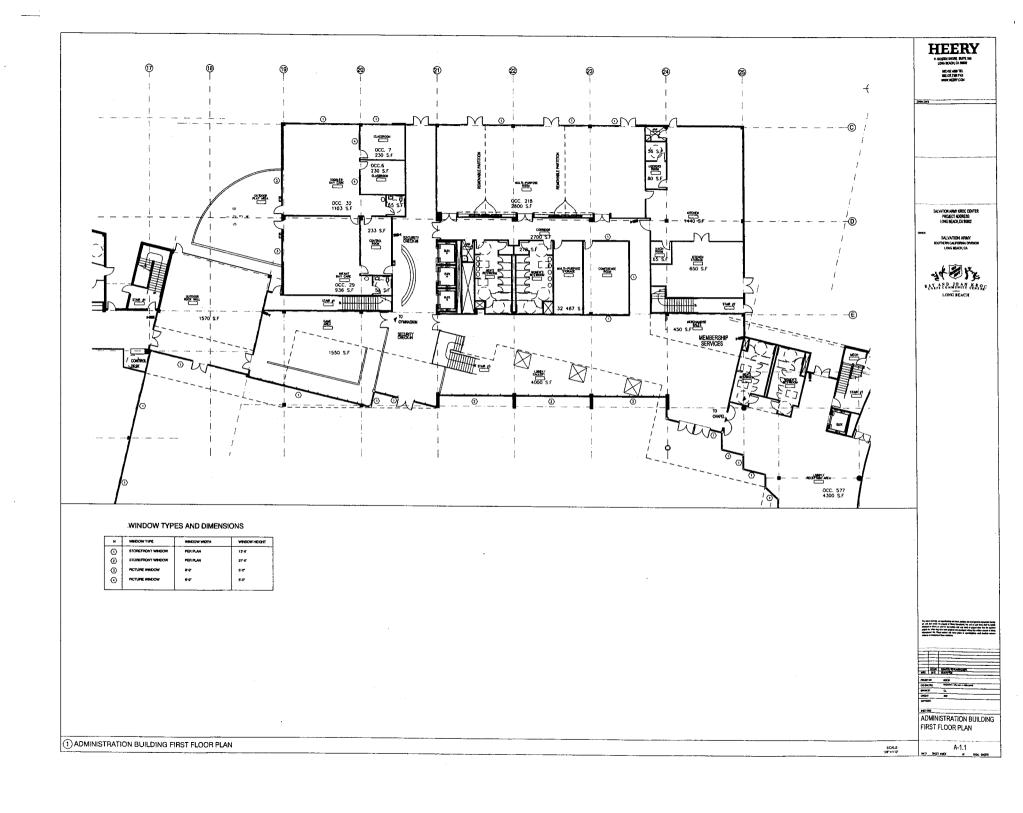
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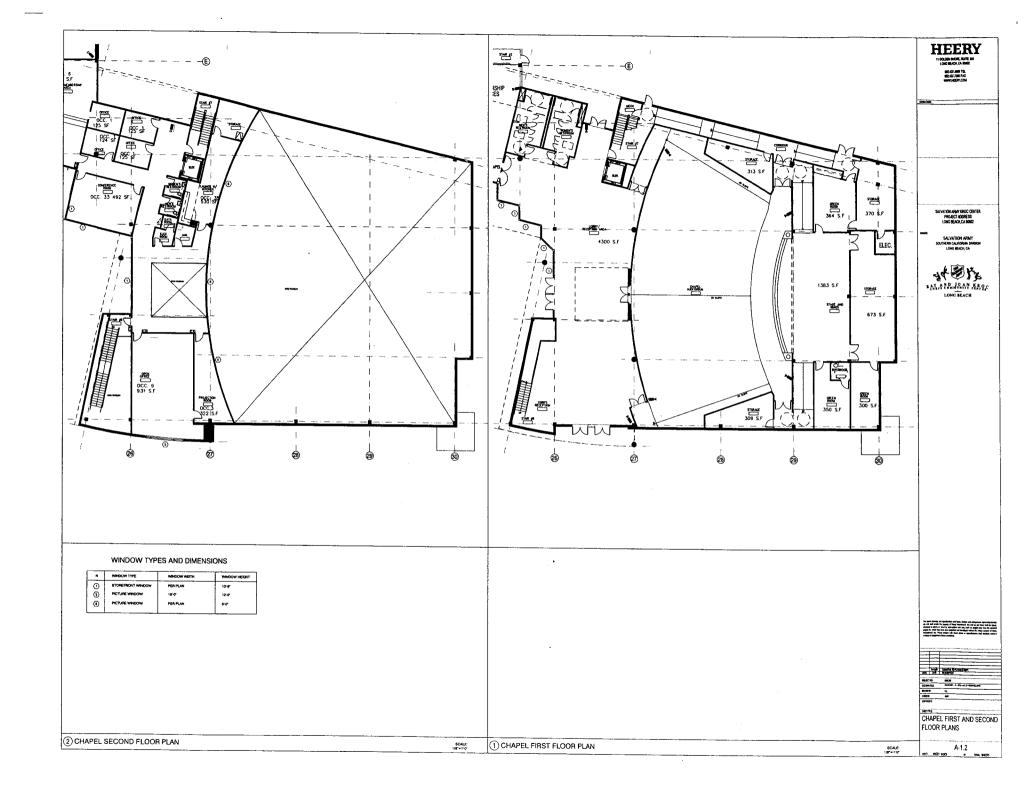


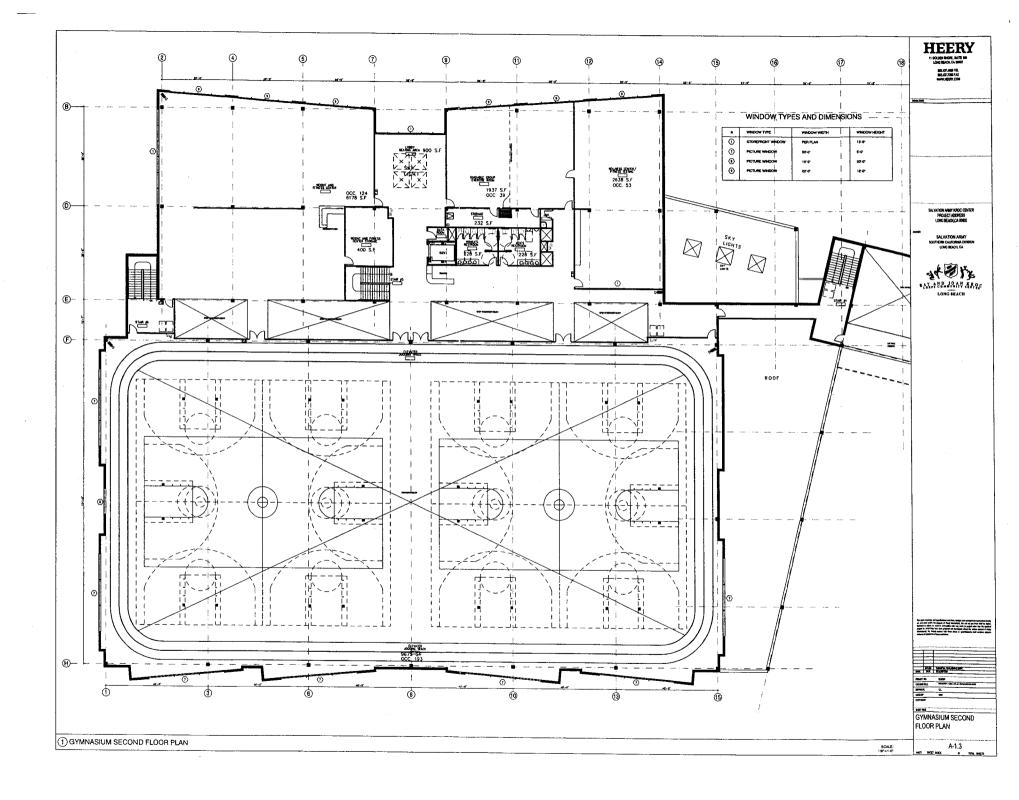


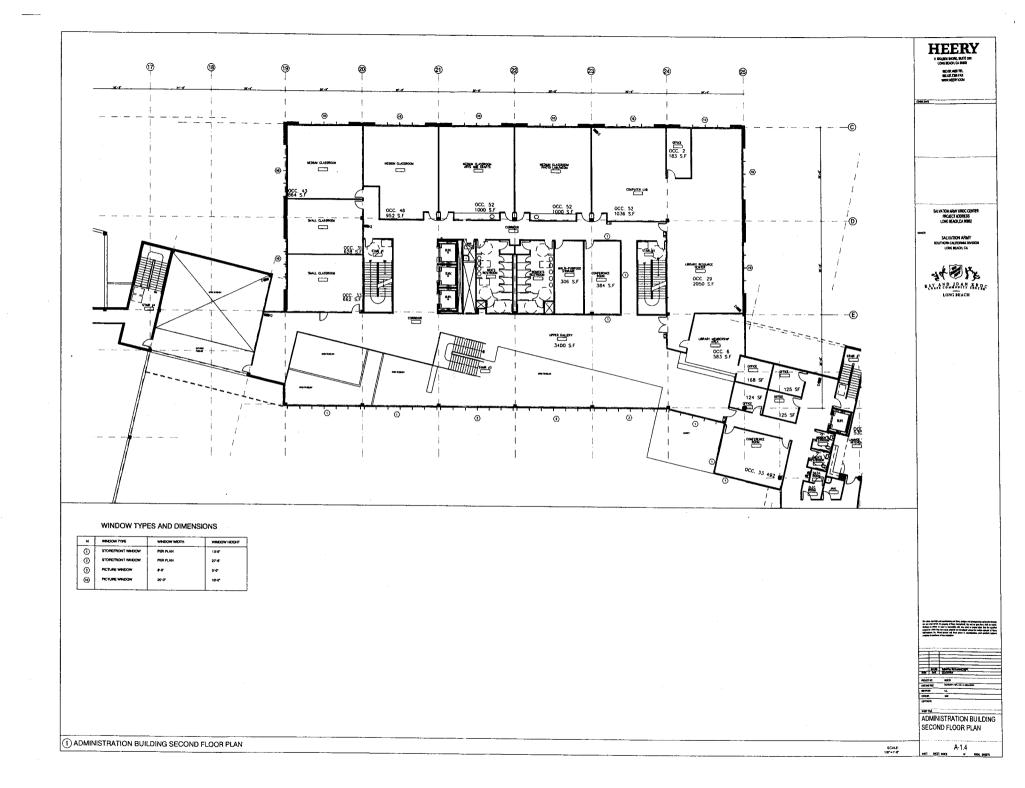


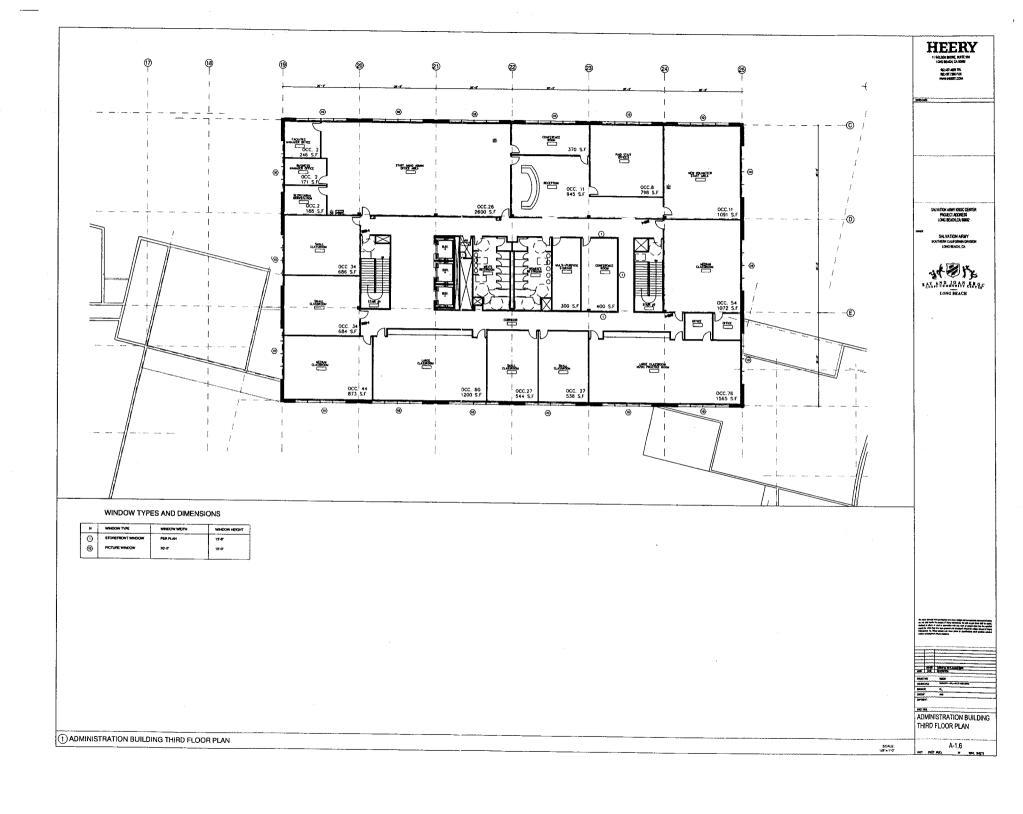


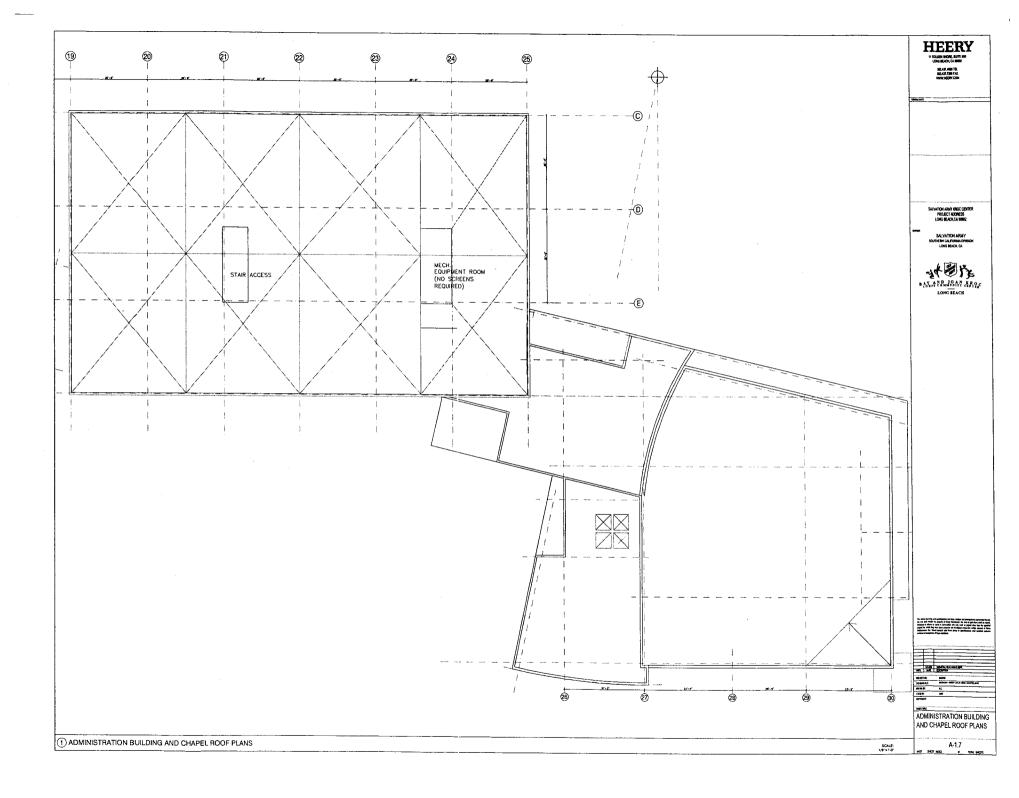


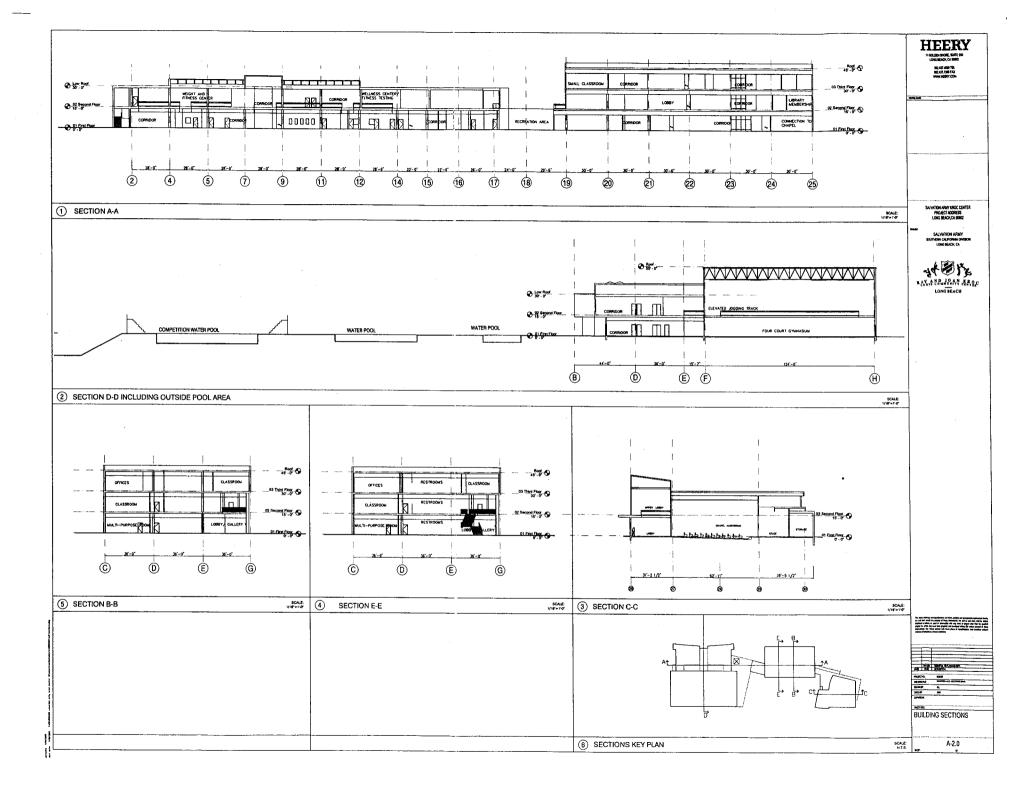


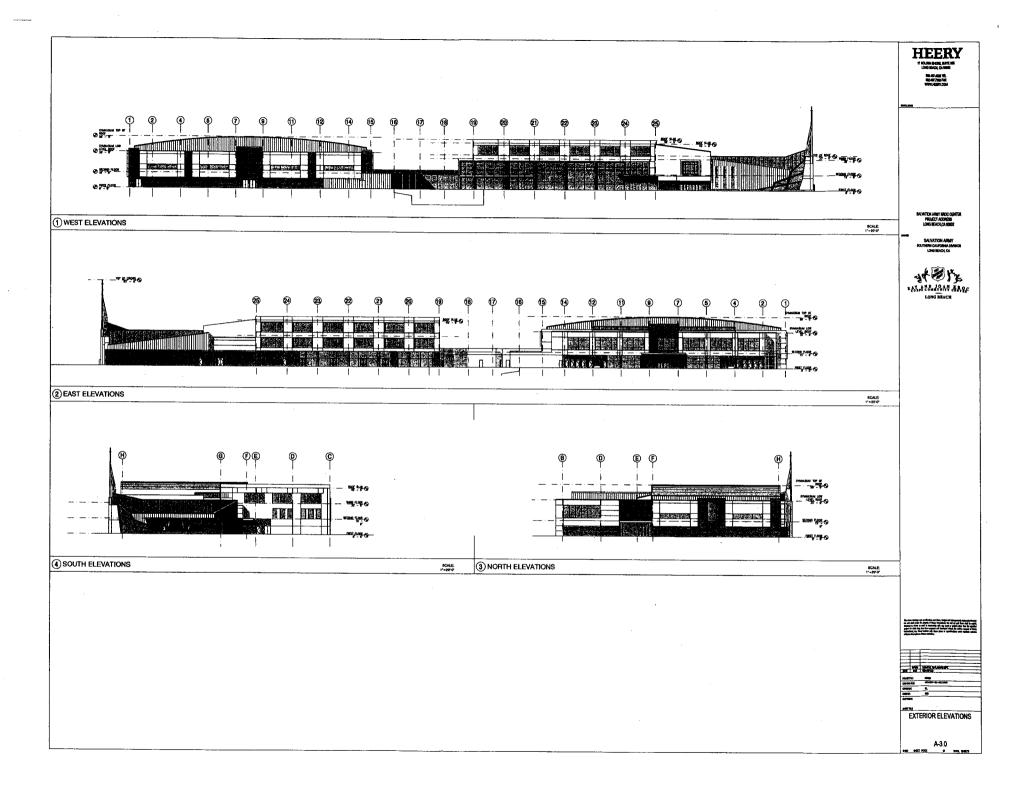


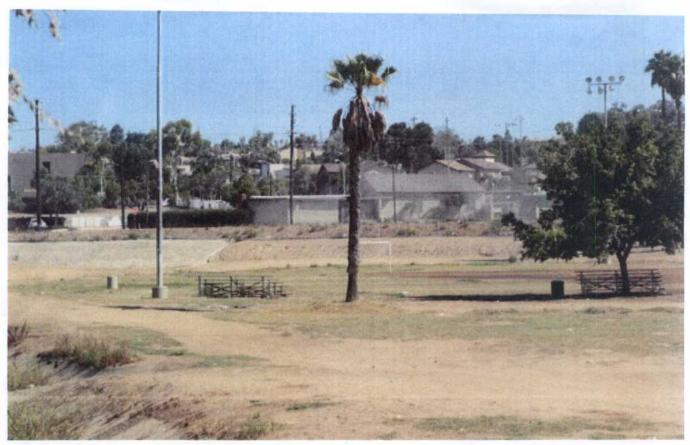












Site view looking south at PCH



Site view looking West



Pump Station – looking South at PCH



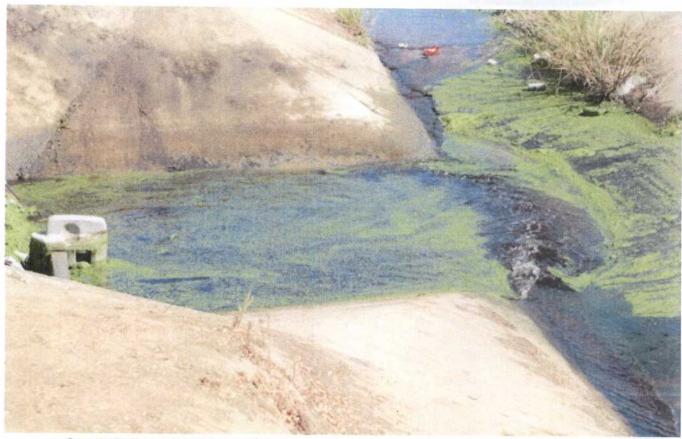
Pump Station - looking South at PCH



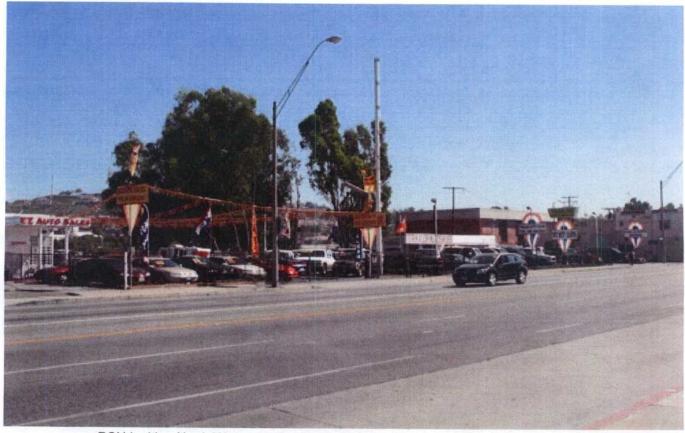
SMOG Station - PCH and Walnut Ave. - looking South at PCH



Pump Station on Walnut Ave. - looking South at PCH



Current Drainage System condition



PCH looking North West

Exhibit B



CITY OF LONG BEACH

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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June 18, 2009

CHAIR AND PLANNING COMMISSIONERS
City of Long Beach
California

RECOMMENDATION:

Certify an Environmental Impact Report and approve a Resolution with a Statement of Overriding Considerations; recommend approval of a General Plan Amendment from Open Space and Park District (LUD#11) to Institutional and School District (LUD#10) and a Zone Change from Park (P) to Institutional (I) and approve a Site Plan Review for a 170,536-square-foot community center that includes an administration/education building, a recreation center, an auditorium and an outdoor recreation area at 1900 Walnut Avenue. (District 6)

APPLICANT:

The Salvation Army 11 Golden Shore #550 Long Beach, CA 90802 (Application No. 0710-10)

DISCUSSION

The 19-acre project site is located on the east side of Walnut Avenue approximately 100 feet north of Pacific Coast Highway (Exhibit A – Location map). The site is currently owned by the County of Los Angeles and serves primarily as a storm water detention basin. The City also uses it intermittently for recreation purposes under a lease agreement with the County.

The applicant is proposing to construct a 170,536 square-foot community center and recreation facility that includes the following (Exhibit B – Plans and photos):

- A 73,910-square-foot administration/education building with drop-in daycare, classrooms, a library, a kitchen, art studios, multipurpose rooms, a computer lab and administration offices.
- An 84,171-square-foot recreation center that includes a gymnasium, classrooms, a fitness center, a weight room, locker rooms and an indoor therapy pool.
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 An outdoor recreation area that includes a 4-acre playing field (soccer), a 50-meter swimming pool, warm-up pool, and a leisure pool with fountains, slides and a children's area. Other amenities include a playground, walking trails, 10,000square-foot amphitheater, outdoor climbing wall, challenge course, outdoor patio and horticulture area.

The project meets all of the requirements of the proposed Institutional zone including height, setbacks, open space and parking. Vehicular access to the center will occur via two ingress/egress points off Walnut Avenue and one ingress/egress point off Pacific Coast Highway. An additional emergency access is provided at the east side of the project at 19th Street.

A total of 1,100 on-site parking spaces will be provided for the project in a two-level parking structure at the southeast corner of the site, as well as in a small surface parking lot along Walnut Avenue. The parking structure can be accessed from both Pacific Coast Highway and Walnut Avenue entrances.

In addition to the proposed community center and related amenities, the site will continue to function as a storm water detention basin per the requirements of the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works. The project proposes a state-of-the-art filtration system to capture trash as well as other unwanted particulate matter (i.e. heavy metals) prior to the water entering the storm drain system and, ultimately, the Pacific Ocean.

The proposed General Plan Amendment from Open Space and Park District (LUD#11) to Institutional and School District (LUD#10) is consistent with the intent and goals of the adopted General Plan. The proposed change furthers the goals of maintaining and strengthening the surrounding neighborhood as well as providing quality recreational opportunities.

Staff prepared findings that support the proposed project. Conditions of Approval were also prepared to help mitigate any potential impacts that the new community center may have on the adjacent properties (Exhibit C – Findings & Conditions of Approval).

Finally, staff believes that the project should be approved, as it will be an asset to the community by providing a wide variety of needed recreation and other personal growth opportunities in an area underserved by such facilities.

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Public hearing notices were distributed on June 2, 2009, as required by the Long Beach Municipal Code and no responses were received.

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ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

An Environmental Impact Report (EIR) (SCH#2008071085) was prepared in accordance with the Guidelines for Implementation of the California Environmental Quality Act. The EIR was distributed to the Planning Commissioners on April 2, 2009.

The EIR identified significant unavoidable impact with the following issues:

- Aesthetics;
- Cultural Resource:
- Land Use and Planning;
- · Recreation; and
- · Construction related noise.

All other impacts can be mitigated to a level below significance.

Respectfully submitted,

CRAIG BECK

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

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Exhibits

- A. Location map
- B. Plans and photos
- C. Findings & Conditions of Approval
- D. Environmental Impact Report (SCH#2008071085)

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ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AMENDING THE USE DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF LONG BEACH AS SAID MAP HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED AND AMENDED BY AMENDING PORTIONS OF PART 10 OF SAID MAP FROM PARK (P) TO INSTITUTIONAL (I)

The City Council of the City of Long Beach ordains as follows:

Section 1. Environmental documentation having been prepared, certified, received and considered as required by law, and the City Council hereby finding that the proposed change will not adversely affect the character, livability or appropriate development of the surrounding area and that the proposed change is consistent with the goals, objectives and provisions of the General Plan, the official Use District Map of the City of Long Beach, as established and amended, is further amended by amending portions of Part 10 of said Map to rezone the subject property from Park (P) to Institutional (I). Those portions of Part 10 of said map that are amended by this ordinance are depicted on Exhibit "A" which is attached hereto and by this reference made a part of this ordinance and the official Use District Map.

Section 2. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the passage of this ordinance by the City Council and cause it to be posted in three conspicuous places in the City of Long Beach, and it shall take effect on the thirty-first day after it is approved by the Mayor.

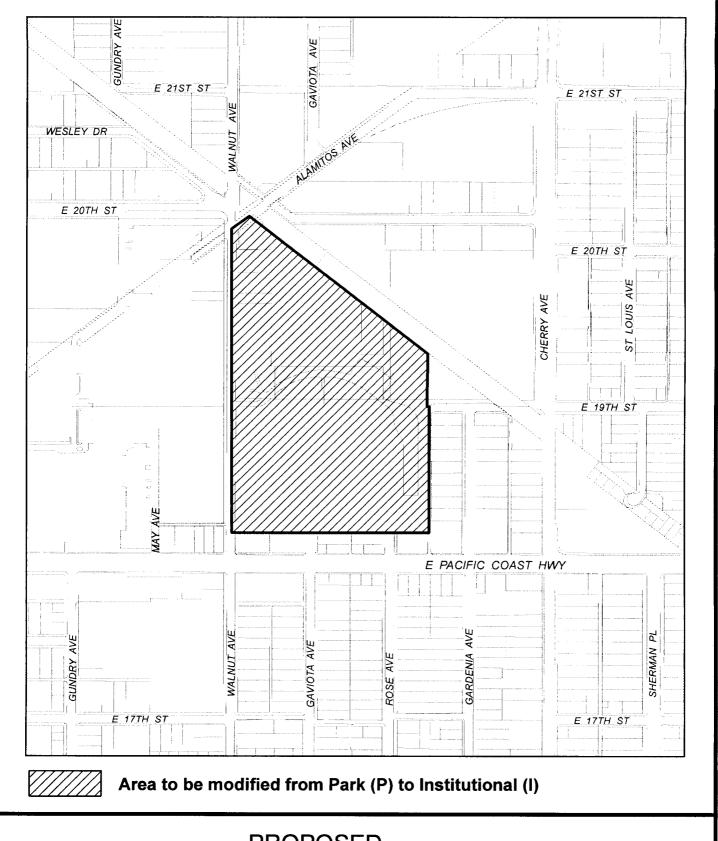
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PROPOSED



AMENDMENT TO A PORTION OF PART 10
OF THE USE DISTRICT MAP

Rezoning Case 0710-10