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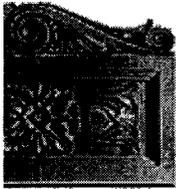
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As a long time resident of Phoenix, Arizona, I would like to express my support to the use permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road , Chandler AZ 85224 . The place of worship will serve Chandler 's Hindu community along with several thousands of Phoenix and Maricopa County residents to help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar sight in the City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone.

Thank You.

Sincerely,

Guna Bellampalli
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Subject Fw: Hindu Temple

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Subject Hindu Temple

Mayor & Council Members,

My wife and I have lived at 2411 W. Laredo St. Chandler, Az. 85224 since 8/04. We love everything about our neighborhood. we are not looking for it to become anything other than residential. That is why we are opposed to this Hindu place of worship. I have been at meetings and watched the P&Z meeting on TV. I believe that this project is not in the best interests of the City or the neighborhood. I have seen first hand the traffic issues created by allowing schools and churches into neighborhoods like this. Dobson Rd. Between Elliott and Warner some of those streets are hugely congested morning and afternoon.

We oppose this project and we hope the collected voice of our neighborhood is heard.

Thank You

Mark & Jennifer Bustos

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June 24, 2007

SUBJECT: SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Mayor Dunn and City Council Members,

It is a wonderful opportunity for Chandler to be one of only two cities in the valley to have a Hindu Temple. What has always appealed to us about Chandler is the diversity. While we welcome that diversity we are opposed to the location currently being considered. Most of all we, Walt & Vicki Donovan, residing at 700 N. Dobson Rd. on the corner directly across from the proposed location do not look forward to EVER having to stand in our front yard & view the over 40 foot towers of this architectural eyesore. Our neighborhood, La Glorieta, has maintained strict guidelines for the architecture of every home being built within this community which includes a 24 ft. limit in height. If we fail in our opposition of this project, there still needs to be a very serious consideration to the height of this building. Is it really necessary to have three large towers on this building at heights almost double that of the nearby streetlight? We are also VERY concerned about what is going to be on these towers (referred to by staff as "architectural embellishments") that we will be observing daily. While we respect the right for people to have the freedom to worship we would in turn expect them to respect our right to not have to view these tall, gaudy towers. After all we are NOT in India – this is Arizona. Chandler isn't completely built out yet. There are several places sitting vacant that would make a great location for this temple. Why not make better use of these properties?

We are also very concerned at the conflicting information we have heard at the two neighborhood meetings held by the architectural firm. In the first meeting I asked if they expected their congregation to grow and they very quickly responded with a no and then went on to other questions. If you build it, they will come and who has ever heard of a congregation that does NOT grow? We are being told that it is only being built for 30 families even though they are putting in over 70 parking spaces for "only" 30 families and the building will hold over 200 people. At the first meeting we were told there wouldn't be a traffic issue because they don't all come to worship at the same time and it is spread out over several times EVERY day. At the second meeting they said they observed traffic on Sunday afternoon because they now say this is when most of these families will be coming to worship. What are we supposed to believe? At the first meeting we were told they would be good neighbors even though they have owned the property for approximately a year and a half and have left large amounts of trash all over the property. This has been taken care of (after a year and a half) when their violations were mentioned in the first meeting. What are we supposed to believe? Actions do speak louder than words. While they try to convey the image of trying to address our concerns by lowering a 40+ foot tower by only a few feet and changing the entrance from Galveston to Dobson, it does not change the fact that this very tall structure does not fit the surrounding area. We agree with the several commissioners that mentioned it needed to be "toned down".

We hope all of you will be able to devote time to view the Planning and Zoning meeting. The following are some of our comments and observations regarding this meeting. Many neighborhood residents expressed concerns over conflicting information. You will be able to witness first hand the discrepancies of the people representing this project concerning the number of people that will worship there. We have been told from ten to up to 800 being affiliated with this temple. We attended the meeting, read the minutes and watched the video. We think it is an insult to most of us opposing this project by repeatedly telling us how wonderful, educated, morale, etc. these Hindu people are. We know that, we personally know and like Hindu people – that is NOT what this is about. This one acre lot is too small for any place of worship to be built and I would think if it is not THE smallest it is one of the smallest. If approximately half the people that are to worship there are from Gilbert, Tempe, Phoenix, and Laveen, as shown in the minutes, then they will certainly outgrow this facility very quickly only to leave our neighborhood with this eyesore. Even Ms. Novak stated that "churches tend to relocate over a period of time once the congregation reaches a certain point". This project needs to be built on a property that allows room for growth. They bought this property a year and a half ago thinking they could just make this work without really thinking ahead to the future of our neighborhood or their congregation. Take note of the various versions of the numbers of cars they anticipate to be in the parking lot. "Mr. Anantuni stated they felt there was enough parking for the next 5 to 10 years" and then what happens? The question was never answered regarding funding of this project except to say that the question would not be asked of someone building a home? This is not a home being built and there are already funding issues on half built projects in Chandler, so this is an issue. In a year and a half they have still not been able to secure a reliable landscaper. Mr. Paul Hansen stated that he was responsible for the maintenance issues and violations at the property but back east they have different aesthetic principles. How could he be confused about all the trash bags and violations? I really doubt this is different back east!

They talk about maintaining the residential nature of the area but three towers with one over 40 feet is not accomplishing this. They can show us they really mean this by not building higher than the homes within 600 feet. Mr. Ananth Krishnan states this is a project that ALL members of the Hindu community in the greater Phoenix area look forward to. Build it and they will come. Our concerns are NOT regarding a lack of the Hindu religion as he also states. Mr. Hari Kandadai stated that he too owns a million dollar home as do many of the congregation but on further research we found that his home is only worth a little over half a million and there was only one member's address that showed a value over a million. The value of their homes is not an issue but the integrity of someone that makes a false claim such as this is! The nearby property owners including us are very concerned about the negative affect this will have on our property value.

We are very confused by the outcome of the vote when Commissioner Gulsvig stated the building “looked too much like a barn” and Commissioner Creedon stated she wasn’t certain that this was the best site for the temple and yet they both voted in favor of it. Aren’t they just passing the buck on to the City Council? Is this really worth it for 30 families to have what they want when there are many more than 30 families opposed to this in our RESIDENTIAL neighborhood? We would hope that the mayor and council realize who they are representing in this issue since of those 30 families about 50% are not even living in Chandler. Now will this become a vote to avoid being called racists or a vote for what is best for Chandler citizens? It is hard to understand why they would want to build this where they are not wanted. Thank you for your time regarding this controversial project.

Sincerely,

Walt & Vicki Donovan

Protest Letter Hindu Temple 590 North Dobson Rd

Mayor Dunn and City Council Members

As a homeowner who resides at 2281 West Galveston St, I strongly oppose the issuance of a Use Permit for any use other than development of residential homes.

In addition I further object to the process by which the Planning and Zoning committee members and staff has ignored the valid objections by the multitude of neighborhood homeowners who came and spoke at the Meeting held May 24,2007.

Neighborhood Meetings

Having attended both neighborhood meetings the discussions were very direct as to the objections of the specific burdens that will be placed upon the neighborhood, most specifically, the increased traffic, the out of place architecture and associated colors and building size, and most of all the misrepresentation by the applicant as to the use of this facility.

Staff was conspicuously absent from both meetings and the only record to survive these meetings were minutes prepared by the applicant which in turn were forwarded to P&Z members as the official minutes of the meeting.

Therefore the objections and efforts made by the 80 plus neighbors to attend these meetings fell on deaf ears due to the lack of involvement of the city to attend and become cognizant to our problems. P&Z received only this information due to the lack of involvement by staff.

And after all of our objections, the only changes that have come about are

- 1) The height was lowered by approximately 6 ft
- 2) The main entrance has been moved from Galveston to Dobson Rds

These token changes in no way mitigate the problems that will be created by a structure so out of place to this neighborhood.

Planning and Zoning Meeting May 24, 2007

During the P&Z meeting held 5/24/07 it became abundantly clear the Committee members made no effort to address the neighbors concerns and only acted upon the recommendations of staff.

Staff recommendations regarding Traffic Impact and Visitor flow is based upon the estimates of the applicant and even in the face of the neighbor's outcry, a traffic study has not been required.

I believe the applicant is deceiving staff as to the anticipated traffic flow to and from the site. This assumption is based upon the statements provided by the applicant and members of the temple to the committee members at the 5/24/07 P&Z meeting.

Based upon information provided by the applicant and membership during the P&Z meeting, I have arrived at the following conclusions:

First, over half of the people speaking at the meeting were from cities other than Chandler. It is obvious that this temple will not be just for the 30 or so families like the applicant has stated, but a meeting area for all the Hindu followers in the valley.

Second, the applicant relayed to the committee that this religion is not like western religions, "people come all day to worship". The applicant has stated approximately 45 people per day will be visiting this site.

The applicant is clearly misleading the P&Z committee with its estimates. There is a potential of thousands of people coming and going from this place daily.

Considering the fact that this site will service the needs of 30,000 people, how can the City Council in good faith put the neighbors along Galveston Street (which accesses the 101 freeway) at risk to this potential traffic problem.

If one researches other Hindu temples, it does not take a great deal of investigation to determine that traffic is a problem with many of these establishments.

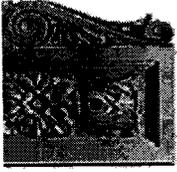
Conclusion

As an infill developer, I have been involved in the rezoning process prior and I cannot believe that in spite of all the complaints ranging from their current care of the property, the potential traffic and architectural horror which would be brought into the area, that this project could be approved. If this council truly looks at the real problems associated with the development of this site it will reject the use permit application.

As a neighbor, I have been in contact with the temple organizers in an effort to assist this group in acquiring an alternate site for this Temple. They realize that this site is not the optimum location and does not address their long-term needs.

The City of Chandler should be assisting this group in finding an adequate location for their Temple instead of trying to stuff "a square peg into a round hole".

Sincerely,
John Makarchuk



Susan Bonville/COC
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Subject RE: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Ms Donovan

I am attaching a letter of protest regarding the temple project that I would like to be reviewed by the City Council. I am still in shock this has gone this far which leads me to believe that special interests groups are involved. I hope I am wrong.

If passed, we have retained a lawyer to represent Clement place in enforcing our land restrictions. Its amazing that the City of Chandler requires all developments to have CC&R's yet they don't get involved in enforcing those restrictions.

Thank you
John Makarchuk

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan.Bonville@chandleraz.gov
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Trinity.Donovan@chandleraz.gov
Sent: Friday, May 04, 2007 3:45 PM
To: johnmakarchuk@qwest.net
Subject: RE: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear John,

We would need documented proof because the City does not have the authority to control private property deed restrictions (ie. HOA CC&Rs). If you are able to present the restriction you mention, Jodie Novak would be happy to forward this information on to the applicant.

With that said, I appreciate you contacting me as we continue to work through these concerns.

Sincerely,

Trinity Donovan
Councilmember

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Subject
RE: UP06-0087 SVK Religious &
Cultural Center

Thank you so much for acknowledging my e-mail. Jodie has been very informative and responsive to my inquiries in this matter. Since my objections are based upon the deed restrictions of the property and the applicants intended use, should my questions be better served being asked to the city attorney? If so could you provide me with his e-mail address. Thanks
John

-----Original Message-----

From: Susan.Bonville@chandleraz.gov
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Trinity.Donovan@chandleraz.gov
Sent: Thursday, April 26, 2007 4:04 PM
To: johnmakarchuk@qwest.net
Subject: Re: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear John,

Thank you for sharing your comments regarding this use permit. This is in the initial stages, therefore, it may be some time before this case is brought before the Council. Despite the delay, it is good to hear your initial concerns.

I'll look forward to receiving updates from staff and any additional neighborhood concerns as this development moves forward.

Sincerely,

Trinity Donovan
Councilmember

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UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural
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Dear Mayor and City Council

The property in question has deed restrictions prohibiting any use other than residential. The neighbors of which I am one (2281 West Galveston St) are completely against any change in use. The general plan of the city issued in 2001 clearly shows that these properties are to remain residential. I recently attended a "neighborhood meeting" and along with the neighbors reviewed the submittals provided by the applicants.

Clearly this is not a residential use so why are these people continueing to pursue this project.

Why has the P&Z withheld recomendations as to the support of this project.

At the very minimum, I would like to go on the record to say that I am totally against this and any use of the land if it is not residential and does not meet with the approval of the architectural committee.

Thanks you your time
John Makarchuk



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JUN 28 2007

June 21, 2007

RE: SVK Religious & Cultural Center
UP06-0087
Southwest corner Dobson and Galveston

Dear Mayor and City Council Members:

We have lived at 2318 W. Galveston St. since 1985. We would like to preserve our neighborhood as single family residential and are against the approval of the above project for the following reasons:

1. The west side of Dobson from Ray Rd. south to the commercial site at the northwest corner of Chandler Blvd. is all single family residential. We would like to keep it that way.
2. The property in question at 590 W. Dobson has always been single family. The Openshaw family built a home and lived there until they sold it to Chris Dinero and his family in 1997. The Dinero's remodeled the existing home and lived there until 2005 when they sold it and moved because of health problems. The property was always well maintained up until the sale in 2005.
3. **HEIGHT:** Two thirds of the roof (100 ft.) is 20 ft. high. One third, the middle 50' of the structure (prayer hall) is approximately 26 ft. high. (*A city street light is 30 ft. tall*) The highest part of the roof (the middle tower) is 43 ft. tall. This building would dwarf the home next door and those in the surrounding area. LaGlorietta has a height restriction of 23 feet.
4. **STRUCTURE:** At 7500 sq. ft. this single story structure is huge....double to triple the size of many homes in the area. Our single story home is 2600 sq. ft. This building will cover an area almost three times the area of our home! Additionally, there will be concrete for parking covering a large area. A dramatic change from grass, pools and the open areas that exist on our lots. Also, the towers will be seen from all sides of the building, not just the east elevation as shown in the drawings. This building is huge compared to the the homes near it.
5. **ARCHITECTURE:** This building is totally different than any structure/home from Ray to Chandler Blvd. It will be adorned with prefabricated architectural ornaments in accordance with the Hindu culture. This traditional ornamentation does not fit in with the typical architecture of our neighborhood. This corner is the "gateway" to our neighborhood and should be of similar construction and use. The development across Dobson (Andersen Springs) is a mixed use area. No structure stands out like the SVK Cultural Center will.
6. **TRAFFIC:** The proposed temple with parking for 72 cars will have lots of traffic coming and going on a **daily** basis. The following figures were presented at the April 10 neighborhood meeting by the project manager for this project:

**Weekday attendance: 15 people for AM service Total estimated cars: 75*
30 people for PM service for a five day week*

**Weekend attendance 90 people for AM Service Total estimated cars: 120*
90 people for PM Service for a two day weekend*

**Festival attendance: 150 to 200 people between 9 AM and 8 PM
Total estimated cars: 50 to 66**

**Estimates for maximum number of visitors during peak hour based on 3 per family and 3 people per car. If only one person per car there, would be additional cars.*

A member of the church, at the P&Z meeting on June 6, stated that "At any typical Hindu Church in North America you will see people going in and going out constantly."

Rupa C, at this same meeting said that "this church has 500 to 800 people affiliated to this temple." {This would be equal to 160 to 260 families possibly attending this temple on a regular basis (50 to 86 cars).}

A custom home on this lot, with family and friends coming and going is a quieter, less busy use of this lot. The above estimated attendance for the church poses a dramatic difference both in people, cars and noise. The impact this temple will have on the immediate neighborhood and the homes in the entire neighborhood is far greater than that of a custom home.

7. **LAND**....this is a small parcel at 1.8 acres. There is no room for expansion as a membership grows. A member of the church stated in first neighborhood meeting that "*If the need exceeds the current plan, the congregation will need to consider a new location.*" **They are aware that there is no room on this property for expansion.** Other than move, they could increase the number of services per day which would mean more people and more traffic. What happens to the property when they move? Planning and Zoning Council member, Angela Creedon stated that she wished the group had chosen a different site; that she was not certain this was the best site for this project. Leigh Rivers, the only Planning and Zoning member who voted against the above project, agreed with her.

Additional Items of Concern

In the first neighborhood meeting, we were told that this church was being built for 30 families. This is a very large, expensive structure for just 30 families. **Amant C at the Planning and Zoning meeting stated that "This is a project all members of the Hindu community in greater Phoenix look forward to. We do not have a formal place to go to worship at this time."** *At same meeting thirteen of the 30 people who stood and spoke "for" the project were from outside Chandler.....Phoenix, Laveen, Tempe, Gilbert. This will not be a neighborhood church or a Chandler church.* People from all over the valley will be coming to this temple.

A statement was made at the P&Z meeting that this structure would have less impact than a single family custom home. How could that be? How many homes would attract 75 cars (or more) during the week and 120 or more on a two day weekend. How many homes have 30 families or more visiting them weekly and 120 visiting on the weekend? How many homes have people going in and out all day long? Or a concrete parking area for 72 cars.

This ornate facility will have an impact on our neighborhood and an even greater impact on the neighbors who live close to it. This could be avoided by locating this project in a mixed use area with space for growth.

We sincerely request that you reject this project.

Laura and Philip Wolfe
2318 W. Galveston St.
Chandler, AZ 85224

Date: June 7, 2007

To: The City Council of Chandler

I attended the meeting for Planning and Zoning Commission Subject UP06-0087 SVK Church on June 6, 2007 and wanted to express concerns of this project.

First, I want to point out my disappointment in the actions of this P & Z Commission.

1. The City Council of Chandler adopted a planning and zoning plan several years ago showing the residence on 590 N. Dobson clearly zoned as a **residential**. This has been in place for many years and is public knowledge.
2. In the 600' radius of the **residence** at 590 N Dobson in question there are about 20 homes many of these homes are million dollar home sites. Needless to say most citizens want the property to remain **residentially** zoned. The project in question is big enough for a nice million dollar single family residence and it should remain this way. Somebody will buy it and adhere to the current zoning. Had this property been listed for sale I have no doubt a home would have been built here. There are many examples of this on Ray and other parts of town.

These two items alone should have been enough for the P & Z Commission not to even consider this project and wasting good tax paying citizens time to attend meetings that has nothing to do with religion.

Why now is it being considered to adapt the plans when other people have lived within the laws for years? The P & Z Commission doesn't care because it's not next to their houses.

The required 600' radius is a small group of citizens who do not want the proposed church in our neighborhood, it simply does not fit. So why do we need to change the rule if it doesn't mean anything to the P & Z Commission? The homeowners within and beyond the 600' radius will be negatively impacted.

Just some thoughts:

So lets think about this, the owners of the project in question did not do there "due diligence" which is **their job**. They are moving into **our** neighborhood so they need to find out about rules and regulations, they clearly did not do so. They say they want to live by the law so why do we need to change that law to suit their needs with guidelines already in place, and totally being ignored by the P & Z Commission.

As you can understand from my letter I am clearly opposed to the project and disappointed in the P & Z Commission. It appeared most of their minds were made up before the meeting even started. Was it the mailer sent out by owners of 590 N Dobson, an anonymous opinion about religious persecution, was P & Z Commission intimidated? Religion is not even an issue here? This clearly is a **residential** area no question about it. It has nothing to do with religion or traffic patterns. One of the members of 590 N Dobson, opted to give a post office box to protect his home address. Protection from what? Good neighbors that want to maintain our established neighborhood. What kind of people are we dealing with anyway? Like me some members of the P & Z Commission are in support of the project but in another location yet they voted for the

project. One of the members of the P & Z Commission made the comment that he has never seen this many people at a meeting like this, shouldn't that have raised some questions? One question was asked if there were other projects approved like this. Miss Novak to the best of her memory stated she could think of 3 similar but she was not sure of the circumstances. Even if there were 3 (or more) projects approved that is small for a city the size of Chandler. That leads me to the next question did they have a majority of million dollar homes surrounding them, I have to believe not. Chandler is known as a church friendly town we have many different kinds of churches. Are these people taking advantage of this? Sure seems that way. Most churches plan to grow, this project is maxed out from the get go with no room to grow, what is going to happen to the building when it becomes too small like the run down Scottsdale location? This is not the place for a monstrous looking structure like smack in the middle of a **residential** neighborhood. The plans show a non-residential structure with a 43' tall structure. Other communities in this neighborhood only allow a 24' tall structure.

My conclusion is:

1. Because people make mistakes (not educating themselves to codes) they should not be rewarded, with rules already in place and then try to bend those to suit their needs.
2. City of Chandler should not have to give up the potential property taxes that they can collect from a million dollar home.
3. They've tried intimidations tactics, have contradicted themselves several times, and are being presumptuous to move in dirt for the building pad for the new structure and this project is not even approved. This should be enough to throw this project out.
4. The citizens that are currently living in this neighborhood will see their home values go down. Will this open the potential of Galveston turning into a commercial strip mall? If you allow one where does it stop? Just think would you buy a million dollar property next to a church, maybe but very unlikely.
5. The current owners need to go back to the drawing board and look for another piece of property that is better suited for their needs and has room to grow. They should not waste their money on a project that is clearly in a **residential** neighborhood and is not big enough for their needs, this is just good business sense.
6. I also understand a group of homeowners are in the process of filing a law-suit against the owners of the proposed church. Is the City Council letting this circus come to town? Wasting tax money and time because people want something that was not meant to be. P & Z Commission should have never allowed it to come to this point. It's zoned **residential** what part don't we get, we make the rules, we live by the rules, very simple.
7. An excuse of the talk about religion and traffic are diversions of the real issue here it's zoned **residential** and that is all that matters.
8. It just feels like the P & Z Commission is passing the buck and doesn't want to take action on their authority. It appears that many of the members didn't bother to listen to what the majority of the homeowners around the property in question had to say, and they certainly did not do their homework.

Respectfully,

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Mayor and City Council Members

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To Whom it May Concern,

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As you can understand from my letter I am clearly opposed to the project and disappointed in the P & Z Commission. It appeared most of their minds were made up before the meeting even started. Was it the mailer sent out by owners of 590 N Dobson, an anonymous opinion about religious persecution, was P & Z Commission intimidated? Religion is not even an issue here? This clearly is a residential area no question about it. It has nothing to do with religion or traffic patterns. One of the members of 590 N Dobson, opted to give a post office box to protect his home address. Protection from what? Good neighbors that want to maintain our established neighborhood. What kind of people are we dealing with anyway? Like me some members of the P & Z Commission are in support of the project but in another location yet they voted for the project. One of the members

of the P & Z Commission made the comment that he has never seen this many people at a meeting like this, shouldn't that have raised some questions? One question was asked if there were other projects approved like this. Miss Novak to the best of her memory stated she could think of 3 similar but she was not sure of the circumstances. Even if there were 3 (or more) projects approved that is small for a city the size of Chandler. That leads me to the next question did they have a majority of million dollar homes surrounding them, I have to believe not. Chandler is known as a church friendly town we have many different kinds of churches. Are these people taking advantage of this? Sure seems that way. Most churches plan to grow, this project is maxed out from the get go with no room to grow, what is going to happen to the building when it becomes too small like the run down Scottsdale location? This is not the place for a monstrous looking structure like smack in the middle of a residential neighborhood. The plans show a non-residential structure with a 43' tall structure. Other communities in this neighborhood only allow a 24' tall structure.

My conclusion is:

1. Because people make mistakes (not educating themselves to codes) they should not be rewarded, with rules already in place and then try to bend those to suit their needs.
2. City of Chandler should not have to give up the potential property taxes that they can collect from a million dollar home.
3. They've tried intimidations tactics, have contradicted themselves several times, and are being presumptuous to move in dirt for the building pad for the new structure and this project is not even approved. This should be enough to throw this project out.
4. The citizens that are currently living in this neighborhood will see their home values go down. Will this open the potential of Galveston turning into a commercial strip mall? If you allow one where does it stop? Just think would you buy a million dollar property next to a church, maybe but very unlikely.
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make the rules, we live by the rules, very simple.

7. An excuse of the talk about religion and traffic are diversions of the real issue here

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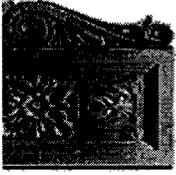
8. It just feels like the P & Z Commission is passing the buck and doesn't want to take action on their authority. It appears that many of the members didn't bother to listen to what the majority of the homeowners around the property in question had to say, and they certainly did not do their homework.

Respectfully,

Ben van der Knoop
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Subject Fw: Special Use Permit - Dobson & Galveston

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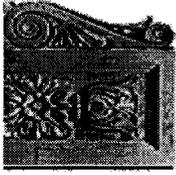
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Sincerely,
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Subject Fw: SVK Religious & Cultural Center Case No. UP06-0087

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Subject Re: SVK Religious & Cultural Center Case No. UP06-0087

June 22, 2007

Laree Dudding
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The Chandler City Code Land Use and Zoning section 35-305c Use Permits states Use permits may be granted by the City Council upon a finding that the request:

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2. Will not be detrimental to persons residing or working in the vicinity, to adjacent property, to the neighborhood or to the public welfare in general...

I have reliable real estate information that my property will depreciate from 35% to 45% of its market value with a Commercial type building next door. A 35% to 45% loss of property on a 2 acre with a country atmosphere is a significant detriment to me.

The Planning and Zoning commission neglected to do its due diligence in providing facts that proved without a doubt that the criteria set forth in the Chandler City Code Land Use and Zoning section 35-305 Use Permits 1b 1-10 were met. I have resided at 2041 W. Galveston for 32 years and am within 300' ft of the proposed Hindu Temple and Cultural Center. I strongly protest the issuance of the Use Permit to this applicant. Therefore I respectfully demand the City Council reject the Use Permit UP06-0087 based on the Chandler City Code Land Use and Zoning section 35-305c Use Permits.

Sincerely,

Laree Dudding



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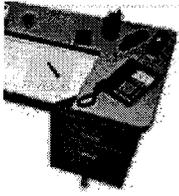
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Subject Fw: Please read before I present to City Council on 6/28/07
re: SVK Religious and Cultural Center

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Subject Please read before I present to City Council on 6/28/07 re:
SVK Religious and Cultural Center

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

On June 28th I will be presenting to you my position on the development of the SVK Religious and Cultural Center on Galveston and Dobson Road. I would really appreciate if you read the attached document before the meeting on Thursday. I am planning on reading a condensed version of it at the Council Meeting.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hilda Roy

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Letter to City Council on SVK Center- Hilda Roy.doc

My name is Hilda Roy. I have been a Chandler resident for 23 years and I strongly oppose the construction of the SVK Religious and Cultural Center.

I find it interesting that in justifying the approval of the SVK project, the Planning and Development Department of the City of Chandler used the aerial overview of Galveston to Chandler Boulevard **instead** of using the overview from Ray Road to Chandler Boulevard. If you visit this square mile you can see that on the West side of Dobson Road from Ray Road to Chandler Boulevard **every single lot has a home**, with the exception of the lot facing Chandler Blvd.

The next thing I would like to talk about is the traffic that such a Temple will bring to this residential area. If you look at the addresses of those supporting the SVK center, they generally come from Tempe, Mesa, Scottsdale, Phoenix and Laveen. When I read comments saying: "It is good not only to the Hindu community but to the **whole people of the state of Arizona**". When I hear that the **Pontiff of India will visit**; I find it hard to believe that we will not have more than 30 cars at a time at the site. When attendance to the temple reaches capacity, I find it hard to believe that members will be sent away. I find it hard to believe that there will not be a pedestrian or cyclist car accident because of the additional traffic. And I find it very hard to believe that the members of the Temple will genuinely work with our neighborhood community while at the same time calling us "Religious Bigots with million dollar houses". We are not religious bigots and we resent being called names. We are hard working, civic minded citizens of Chandler, that have served the community for decades. We want to be listened to, but the Zoning Commission has chosen to ignore us. Thus, we appeal to the City Council to put an end to this by voting down the proposal for this residential lot.

If you truly know this neighborhood, you know that this is one of the oldest, if not the oldest neighborhood in Chandler. Many third generations Chandler residents live in the area. Many of the residents are those who worked in the construction of the neighborhood when it was first started: the plumbers, the HVAC people, the stucco people, etc. At the Planning and Zoning Commission meeting, the majority of the attendees in favor of the Temple **were not** Chandler residents. Twenty to thirty years ago, living in Chandler was not very prestigious. Tempe, Scottsdale and North Phoenix were viewed as better places to live. While we, the long time residents of this neighborhood **never turned our backs to Chandler**, today we have a group of residents **from other cities** who want to change a long time residential community in Chandler.

I was appalled when a city employee at the Planning Commission meeting recommended the construction of the SVK Religious and Cultural Center because Galveston Rd. was an artery road like Frye Rd. This is not true. Galveston is a 2 lane road with a 25 MPH speed limit. Frye road is a 4 lane road with a 45 MPH speed limit and few residences. I was also appalled when a Commission member said that traffic was not an issue based on his scientific data of looking at the street for 3 to 4 minutes at the most, to observe traffic on Galveston. I was even more stupefied when another member went with the approval vote in great part because of his partner's "scientific study". The whole process was an educational disappointment.

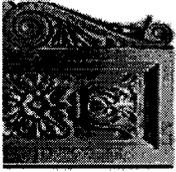
To close, I want to point out that the distance from the traffic light on Galveston and Dobson and the point of exit from the Temple to Galveston Street is extremely close. We were told that this will be an emergency exit only. Again, you have to be very ignorant to believe that people will not use that exit and cause accidents or traffic jams because of the exit's proximity to the traffic light. When Ms. Novak told the commission that the exit will be an emergency exit, she never told the crowd that visitors cannot park **only** in front of the first two houses adjacent to the site. She didn't tell them that they could park on the rest of the street, even though there are bike lanes on both sides of the street. If you are a visionary you **can see** the following: (1) visitors will turn left on Galveston regardless, (2) visitors will park on Galveston and make a U turn to take the 101 to go back to Tempe, Phoenix, Scottsdale and Laveen.

If you are a visionary you can see that if you approve this project, when Mrs. Dudding decides to sell her house because after 30 plus years this is not how she envisioned to live the last years of her life, the Temple will be the only one willing to buy her property so they can expand. At that point, the future Council will have to face the task of approving the expansion of the temple further into the residential community.

The council needs to send a message to the owners of the lot, that the City of Chandler welcomes them in the community. That if need be, they will work with them to help them find a site that is bigger, that can truly accommodate a project like this and not try to squeeze it in a small residential lot.

When I told some friends that I was going to speak in front of you, I was told that I was wasting my time. I was told that most of the time the City Council approves what the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends. I still have faith that I did not vote for a rubber stamp council or a rubber stamp major. I am tired of hearing that political leaders don't listen to their constituents and that they go to meetings like this, with their voting minds already made up.

Thank you,
Mrs. Hilda Roy



Susan Bonville/COC
06/20/2007 04:02 PM

To CityClerkDivision
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Subject Fw: Hindu Temple project

Dear Council Member:

In 1973, I, along with a brother and two other life-long friends, purchased property from John Openshaw on Galveston Road just west of Dobson Road. This was agricultural land and outside of City limits. During the next year and one half all of us built homes on large lots which we had divided among us. The Homestead subdivision to our west soon began and La Glorieta across the street followed. The City of Chandler immediately proceeded to contact us about annexation and in 1985 we agreed to annexation with the promise that all zoning and use would remain the same. During the ensuing years, Mr. Openshaw passed away and his widow sold her property to a Chris Dinero who remodeled the home and after a few years sold it to the present owner who has announced plans to construct a Hindu Temple.

I am a regular Church-goer myself and so have respect for those wishing to construct a place of worship. However, I must disagree that the property at 590 North Dobson is in any way conducive for the construction of this type of edifice. My reasoning for this is listed as follows:

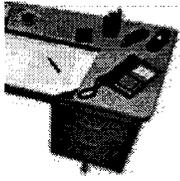
The size of the property at 1.8 acres is too small, especially when you consider set-backs, landscaping, drainage basins, parking, etc. as dictated by the city.

1. Since Dobson Road is one of the main North-South streets in the city, it now carries a heavy load of traffic and will most likely be up for widening in the future. This negates the possibility of traffic exiting from the property in question other than Galveston Street.
2. Entrances and exits on Galveston Street would be very close to the intersection and would cause some traffic problems.
3. Galveston Street is and always has been residential in nature although increased, non-resident traffic in recent years has resulted in the installation of speed bumps.
4. **Domino Effect** – You may remember that a few decades ago, a similar neighborhood was started on the West side of Dobson Road just South of Elliott Road. These were all homes on large lots. One home was sold, the use was changed, and the dominoes started falling! The neighborhood no longer is recognizable as it once was. This is what will happen to my neighborhood should one property be allowed to change its existing use.

Please vote to keep our property from going the way of others. I will even help in trying to find another suitable location for this temple.

Sincerely,

Dean Ellsworth
2111 West Galveston



David Bigos/COC
06/21/2007 08:35 AM

To CityClerkDivision
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Subject Fw: SVJ Religious & Cultural Center Case No. UP06-0087

June 20, 2007

Dear Mayor and Council Members,

After attending the Planning And Zoning Commission meeting held on June 6, 2007, we find ourselves further compelled to voice our concerns regarding the proposed SVK Religious & Cultural Center.

In addition to the 3 concerns expressed in our letter to Jodie Novak on April 11, 2007 (please see copy below) we learned that there are specific deed restrictions for the subject property and that the proposed project will encroach on them. In addition, City Code requires a 50 by 200 foot setback on arterial streets which the current plan does not accommodate. We also learned that this temple will be the only one of it's kind in the valley, and by their own words, will be an attraction for all Hindus in the area. This facility will not serve just Chandler residents. At the meeting, many of the Hindus in favor of the project were from outside of Chandler and as far away as Laveen. The Hindu Priests also stated that people will be coming and going at all times in addition to the two services a day. Our point here is that we don't know what the traffic impact will be now and in the future. Churches always grow and traffic will increase. There will be no way to limit guest volume once the structure is built. The facility size is small and the parking spaces are limited. There is no room for expansion or overflow parking due to the small lot size. **In our view, the lot is just too small for the proposed structures, parking, and intended use.**

Thank you for listening to our concerns. We have just one more observation and it's regarding the Planning And Zoning Commission meeting we attended on June 6, 2007. It was very obvious that all the immediate neighbors attending the meeting were **not** in favor of the proposed project, and had expresses very eloquently, their concern over many more issues than addressed here. During the Commissioners voting process, we were stunned to hear the complete and utter disregard of our concerns by all but one of the Commissioners. Government should be by the people and for the people. We are looking forward to the upcoming City Council meeting on June 28, where as Chandler residents, we hope our concerns will be taken seriously by our **elected** officials.

Sincerely,
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From: [Terry Biagi](mailto:Terry_Biagi)
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Cc: Lauren Biagi ; Michelle Biagi ; Mike Rather
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Subject: SVJ Religious & Cultural Center Case No. UP06-0087

Date: April 11, 2007

To: Jodie Novak, Senior City Planner

From: Terry and Rosa Biagi

Re: City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVJ Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Ms. Novak;

As residents in the community of La Glorieta, we would like to express our concerns regarding the proposed development of 590 North Dobson Road.

After attending the neighborhood meeting on April 10, 2007, we find the request for a use permit zoning application not to be in the best interest of the existing area residents for the following reasons:

1. The area west of Dobson Road is zoned as residential and is exclusively single family residences. The proposed structure, which would not be permitted without a variance to this long standing zoning ordinance, is not acceptable to us. Many homeowners made the decision to buy in this area for its quiet, low density appeal.
2. Regardless of the projected visitor flow and traffic impact, it will add greatly to what we are currently experiencing and overflow parking onto Galveston Road will inevitably be an issue.
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We would like to see this development completed on another property that is better suited and zoned accordingly.

Thank you for allowing us to express our concerns.

Sincerely,

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Subject Fw: Use Permit for UP06-0087

June 18, 2007

Thomas Hornyman
2191 W. Galveston St.
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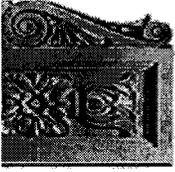
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The Planning and Zoning commission failed to do its due diligence in providing data that proved conclusively that the criteria set forth in the Chandler City Code Land Use and Zoning section 35-305 Use

Permits 1b 1-10 were met. Therefore I respectfully protest the Planning and Zoning commission actions and demand the City Council reject the Use Permit UP06-0087 in the city council meeting scheduled for June 28th, 2007.

Sincerely,
Thomas Hornyan



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On June 28, 2006 *Gwinnett Daily Post* reported "...They (the residents) said it would be out of character with their quiet subdivisions and cause traffic problems... Although the spires on top of the domes would reach 67 feet into the air, the building itself would be about 35 feet tall, Suhagia said. And despite being designed for 200 worshipers, it would only serve about 25 people in the beginning, he said. Commissioner Bert Nasuti... said... the temple would eventually affect residents. 'I've never seen a church or religious facility that doesn't want to grow,' said the commissioner...

3. Line Item 4. General compatibility of use with adjacent property and property in the district. The Hindu Temple is completely incompatible with adjacent property and property in the district. **This factor alone must be grounds for rejecting the use permit.** A 200 family place of worship graded against C1 building code on an AG-1 single family lot defies logic.

On June 7, 2006 the *Gwinnett Daily Post* reported, "An ornate Hindu temple that would rise on 4 acres just outside the Lilburn city limits got a thumbs down Tuesday from the Gwinnett County Planning Commission. Citing a recommendation from the county planners, the nine-member panel ruled the marble-and-stone structure topped with domes and spires would be out of character with homes and offices surrounding the site at Lawrenceville Highway and Braden Drive." Nearby residents asked commissioners to block the ornate

temple. They said it would be out of character with their quiet subdivisions .(June 7, 2006, *Gwinnett Daily Post*)

4. Line Item 7. Signage. No data was supplied or reviewed to explain why this criterion was met. We must have a detailed plan for signage to analyze the impact on the neighborhood.

5. Item 8. Exterior lighting with reference to adjacent properties. No data was supplied or reviewed to explain why this criterion was met. We must have a detailed plan for exterior lighting to analyze the impact on the neighborhood since this facility will be available 24 x7.

The Planning and Zoning commission failed to do its due diligence in providing data that proved conclusively that the criteria set forth in the Chandler City Code Land Use and Zoning section 35-305 Use Permits 1b 1-10 were met. Therefore I respectfully protest the Planning and Zoning commission actions and demand the City Council reject the Use Permit UP06-0087 in the city council meeting scheduled for June 28th, 2007.

Sincerely,
Thomas Hornyan

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MEMORANDUM

Planning and Development – CC Memo No. 07-142

DATE: JUNE 12, 2007

TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

THRU: W. MARK PENTZ, CITY MANAGER
DOUG BALLARD, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
JEFF KURTZ, ASSISTANT PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR
BOB WEWORSKI, PLANNING MANAGER

FROM: JODIE M. NOVAK, MEP, SENIOR CITY PLANNER

SUBJECT: UP06-0087 SVK RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL CENTER

Request: Use Permit approval to allow a place of worship within the AG-1 (Agricultural) zoning district

Location: 590 North Dobson Road, southwest corner of Dobson Road and Galveston Street, which is north of Chandler Boulevard

Applicant: Zamir Hasan & Associates, Inc.

Owner: Sujnana Religious and Charitable Foundation

Project info: Approximately a 1.8-acre site. Proposed 7,500 square foot place of worship

RECOMMENDATION

The application requests Use Permit approval for a place of worship to be constructed on property zoned AG-1 (Agricultural). Upon finding the request to be consistent with the General Plan, applicable zoning and development standards, Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval of the Use Permit.

BACKGROUND

The property is located at the southwest corner of Dobson Road and Galveston Street, 590 North Dobson Road. This site is one of several parcels that are a part of the Clemens Place subdivision along the south side of Galveston Street. The property is zoned AG-1 (Agricultural), which permits single-family dwellings, field crops, raising of livestock, and uses permitted by Use

Permit that are compatible with other uses in the area and consistent with the General Plan. The application requests Use Permit approval to allow a place of worship.

The parcel is surrounded by single-family residential homes to the south, west, and north. The site is bounded by Galveston Street to the north and Dobson Road to the east. There is an existing church at the northeast corner of Dobson Road and Galveston Street. North of the church is a multi-family residential development. There is a medical/dental office condominium development at the southeast corner of the intersection. South of the office development is a post office facility.

The site currently has a single-family residence on approximately 1.8 acres. The application requests approval to redevelop the site and construct a 7,500 square foot place of worship. The SVK Religious and Cultural Center is a place of worship planned by the Pontiff from India. The facility provides a place of worship for followers of Hindu faith.

The building includes a 2,500 square foot main prayer hall and approximately 5,000 square feet of adjoining facilities. The facilities include a dining hall, kitchen, classroom, and living quarters for priests. The prayer hall is the main congregation area for prayer. The prayer hall is open typically from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. each day of the year. The facility accommodates a maximum of four devotees living at the center including a Pontiff, two priests, and one facility manager. The Pontiff will only reside at the center when he is visiting the Phoenix area.

The development is in conformance with the City's development standards. The building height is approximately 20 feet 4 inches with architectural features and ornamental towers extending up to 42 feet in height. The main building entrance is on the east side facing Dobson Road. The hall accommodates a maximum of 218 seats within a 1,750 square foot area for seating. There is 8 square feet of floor seating provided per person. At one parking space per four seats required by Code, 55 parking spaces are required. The development provides 72 parking spaces.

Services or organized prayers by the priests are held twice a day each day of the year. The development estimates three to five families (averaging 3 persons per family) attending during the weekday morning (Monday through Friday) and five to ten families during the weekday evenings. On weekends (Saturday and Sunday), twenty to thirty families are expected to attend the morning and evening services. On festival days, approximately 150 to 200 families attend the services throughout the day.

A traffic analysis was provided and reviewed by City staff. The site accommodates required parking and provides appropriate access to and from the site. The site provides full-turning movement access to and from Dobson Road. There is an exit only, right-turn movement access to Galveston Street to allow vehicles to utilize the existing signalized intersection. The proposed development is expected to have a low impact on current traffic counts for Galveston Street. Galveston Street is a collector street intended to accommodate typically 1,000 to 12,000 vehicles per day. In 2001, Galveston Street had 2,400 to 2,500 vehicles per day. The traffic volume went down in 2004 to 2,200 vehicles per day. In 2006, the traffic volume went back to 2,400 to 2,500

vehicles per day. Galveston Street is a low traffic volume collector street. For example, Frye Road, which is a collector street west of Arizona Avenue, has 11,000 vehicles per day. Galveston Street serves to collect and distribute traffic in the area bounded by the Loop 101 Price Freeway to Dobson Road and from Chandler Boulevard to Ray Road. Galveston Street also intersects with Coronado Street, which is the north/south collector street for this area.

DISCUSSION

Historically, the City has approved churches and places of worship in many residential neighborhood areas, subject to compliance with City codes and development standards. Schools and churches are encouraged within single-family residential areas and are an integral component of neighborhood design. The Zoning Code allows churches and places of worship within residential zoning districts subject to Use Permit approval. The request does not represent any negative land use impacts upon the surrounding area.

The building is one-story in height, 20-foot 4-inches, and exceeds the minimum building setback requirements adjacent to residentially zoned property to the west and south. There are architectural features and ornamental towers extending above the roofline. The building is separated from adjacent residential properties by a ten-foot wide landscape tract, parking spaces 19 feet in length, a 24-foot wide drive aisle, and walkways adjacent to the building.

The site provides required dissimilar landscape buffering adjacent to residential property on the west and south sides, which includes 12-foot high trees at a maximum spacing of 20 feet on center. Staff is of the opinion that the use is compatible with the area's existing single-family residential, office, and church uses. The development meets the City's development standards including site layout, parking, landscaping, and access. Staff recommends approval subject to conditions.

PUBLIC / NEIGHBORHOOD NOTIFICATION

- This request was noticed in accordance with the requirements of the Chandler Zoning Code.
- A neighborhood meeting was held on April 10, 2007. Approximately 80 or more people attended, only 56 filled out the sign-in sheets. The applicant provided comment sheets for attendees. Approximately 16 were returned to the applicant. The sign-in sheets and comments are attached to the memo.
- Following the first neighborhood meeting, Staff and the applicant received correspondence from residents opposed to the development. The correspondence is attached to the memo.
- A second neighborhood meeting was held on May 30, 2007 to present vehicular access and building height changes. Approximately 34 people attended. The sign-in sheets and comments are attached to the memo.
- Staff and the applicant are aware of neighborhood opposition to this Use Permit request for a place of worship. Residents main concerns include 1.) A place of worship is an incompatible land use next to large lot and custom residential homes, 2.) The architecture of the building is

out of character and does not fit with the surrounding residential neighborhoods, 3.) The use of this property other than for single-family will generate a large amount of traffic that will impact adjacent streets and the residential area, 4.) Allowing a commercial use in a residential area will lower housing property values, and 5.) Allowing a place of worship will set precedence for consideration of other commercial development along Galveston Street, further allowing commercial to encroach into the residential area.

PLANNING COMMISSION VOTE REPORT

Motion to Approve In Favor: 4 Opposed: 1 (Rivers) Absent: 2 (Anderson, Irby)

Planning Commission recommended additional conditions 8, 9, 10, and 11 that address site maintenance, use, building design, and communication with the adjacent neighborhood. Planning Commission conveyed the building's design needs to be more contemporary instead of traditional and that the building design should be toned down to be more residential in character; however, there were no specific recommendations for proposed changes. Planning Commission also discussed keeping the site maintained before and after development, and that use of the property for a church will occur when occupancy is permitted.

Over 60 people attended the meeting and submitted speaker cards at the meeting. Approximately 30 persons spoke at this meeting in favor and opposed to the Use Permit. Neighbors submitted information regarding the Clemens Place CC&R's conveying the property is only to be used for residential purposes. City staff clarified that the City does not regulate CC&R's. The information submitted to Staff is attached.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Upon finding consistency with the General Plan, applicable zoning and development standards, Planning Commission and Staff recommend approval subject to the following conditions.

1. Development shall be in substantial conformance with Exhibit A, Development Booklet, entitled "SVK Religious & Cultural Center", kept on file in the City of Chandler Planning Services Division, in File No. UP06-0087, except as modified by condition herein.
2. Expansion or modification beyond the approved exhibits (Site Plan, Floor Plan, Landscape Plan, Building Elevations, and Narrative) shall void the Use Permit and require new Use Permit application and approval.
3. Use Permit approval does not constitute Final Development Plan approval; compliance with the details required by all applicable codes and conditions of the City of Chandler and this Use Permit shall apply.
4. Right-of-way dedications to achieve full half-widths, including turn lanes and deceleration lanes, per the standards of the Chandler Transportation Plan.
5. Landscaping shall be in compliance with current Commercial Design Standards.

6. The landscaping shall be maintained at a level consistent with or better than at the time of planting. The site shall be maintained in a clean and orderly manner.
7. The landscaping in all open-spaces and rights-of-way shall be maintained by the adjacent property owner.
8. The property shall be maintained in a clean, weed free, and orderly manner.
9. The site shall be solely used as a place of residence until the new building for a place of worship is constructed and occupancy is permitted.
10. The applicant shall create a liaison program with the adjacent neighborhood to advise of upcoming special events before they occur at the site, allowing neighbors to directly contact a representative of SVK with their concerns.
11. The applicant shall work with Staff to provide a modification to the building elevations to achieve a more contemporary look.

PROPOSED MOTION

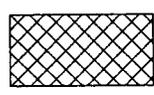
Move to approve Use Permit case UP06-0087 SVK RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL CENTER, subject to the conditions recommended by Planning Commission and Staff.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Vicinity Maps
2. Narrative
3. Site Plan
4. Floor Plan
5. Landscape Plan
6. Building Elevations
7. Neighborhood meeting information
8. Correspondence / CC&R information

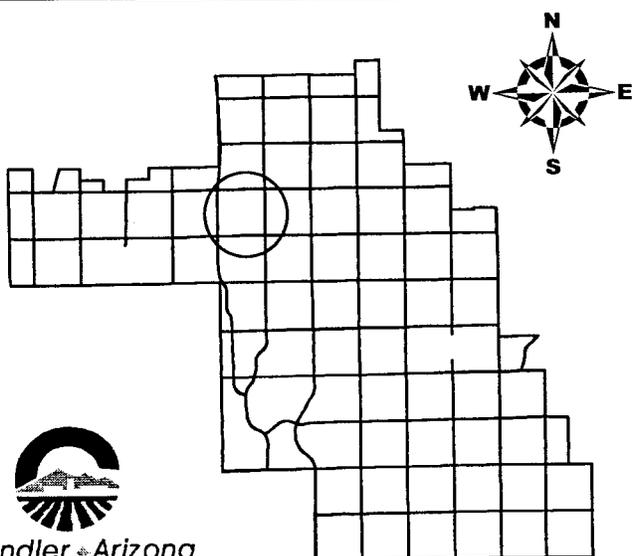


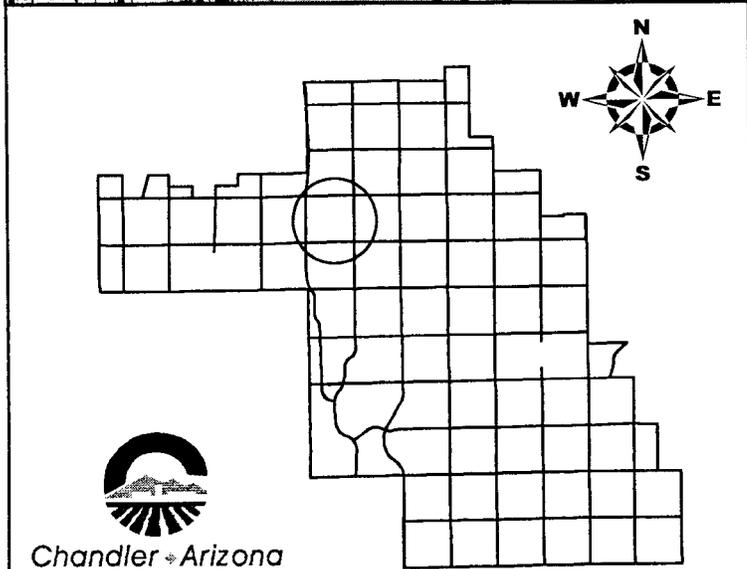
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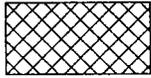
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SVK Religious and Cultural Center





Vicinity Map



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SVK Religious and Cultural Center

Narrative Overview of the Project

The proposed SVK Religious and Cultural Center (the Center) at 590 N. Dobson is a humble and holy place of worship planned by Sri Sri Sugunendra Theertha Swamiji, the Pontiff from Udupi, Karnataka, India and a man of vision for the future of 30,000 plus Hindus and their children living in the State of Arizona. The purpose of the Center is to help the followers of Hindu faith to preserve and practice the 7000 year old faith which promotes universal peace for the welfare of all mankind. Swamiji is the International President of the World Conference of Religions for Peace (WCRP). He is globally respected for his progressive vision and has widely traveled in Asia, Africa, Europe and the USA as a champion of ecology and the protection of environment. Swamiji has dedicated his life to serve mankind globally and is spreading the benefits of spirituality as an antidote to violence and terrorism. He has been received and honored by many world leaders including President Bush. Recently Swamiji was honored by a proclamation from the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona.

The Center is a 7,500 square foot facility located on a 1.8 acre site. This center is an extension and an affiliate of a religious order and temple located in Udupi, India dating back to the twelfth century.

The proposed building for the Center consists of a 2,500 square feet main prayer hall and about 5,000 square feet of adjoining facilities. The facilities planned include: a dining hall, kitchen, class room & living quarters for priests. All of these areas are necessary for spiritual and cultural activities. The prayer hall will be the main congregation area for daily prayer. Other facilities (dining & class room) will be used by the same group attending the prayer, typically after the worship. The total number devotees expected to be living at the center will be a maximum of 4 (pontiff, two priests, & one facility manager). The Pontiff will live at the center only when he is visiting the valley.

Visitors Flow

Based on our experience, it is anticipated that a maximum of 10 families are typically expected during normal week days and 30 during weekends for each AM and PM services. Assuming 3 per family, the visitors flow for each service are:

Weekdays	15 visitors (5 families) for AM Service 30 visitors (10 families) for PM Service
Weekends	90 visitors (30 families) for AM Service 90 visitors (30 families) for PM Service

On special festival days, we estimate approximately 150 families to attend the services. During special festival days, the visitors flow will be distributed over the entire day from 8 AM to 8 PM. There are about five main special festival days and they include: New Year, Shivarathri (February), Vinayaka Chaturthi (September), Navarathri (October), Deepavali (November).

When large attendance is expected the service will be held in public schools or in the Indo American Center located in Phoenix.

Traffic Impact

It is our opinion that the trips generated by the SVK Religious and Cultural Center will not adversely affect the adjacent street traffic. The reasons are: 1) peak hours of the trip generator do not coincide with the peak hours for the adjacent street traffic. 2) A maximum number of 30 trips in the peak hour can be controlled adequately by a stop sign on the East driveway and North West driveway, existing pavement marking on Dobson Road and Galveston Street, and the existing traffic signal at Dobson Road and Galveston Streets. 3) With low background traffic on Galveston Street, which is a residential street around the SVK Religious and Cultural Center, trips generated will not adversely affect Galveston Street. 4) The main driveway onto Dobson Road will provide the majority of access to the property.

Parking Analysis

The parking spaces provided will meet or exceed the Chandler Unified Development Manual. The current manual lists the parking requirement of 1 space per two hundred (200) square feet, for auditorium, theaters, stadium or similar place of assembly. Using the 1 space per 200 square feet of gross floor area, for 7,500 square feet, 38 parking spaces are required. For Churches, the requirement of 1 space per four (4) seats is listed in the manual. Using the maximum number of possible seats and occupancy in the prayer hall about 55 parking spaces are required. The current site plan provides 72 parking spaces.

Architectural Theme

The building will meet or exceed the current Chandler City building code requirements. The building design, orientation and placement are governed by the principles of ancient Indian discipline of art and architecture. It is our intent to take all measures to meet and abide by the local and state requirements while planning this facility.

The proposed structure will be of masonry construction with split face block being the dominant theme. Awning and shade structures will be pre-finished metal siding of bronze or copper color. Prefabricated architectural ornaments will be applied over the masonry surfaces. The traditional ornaments shown on elevations will be crafted by specially trained and skilled artisans ("Shilpis") in India. These items will be shipped and installed on the proposed temple. Final design and features may slightly vary from what is shown on the elevations.

Landscaping design will incorporate low water usage native plants. Landscaping buffers provided will be consistent with the Chandler City requirements.

We believe this project will be a great enhancement to the neighborhood. We look forward to working closely with the Staff of the Great City of Chandler in making the facility a "point of pride" to the City and a "Center of Joy" to the local community in general and the Hindu community in particular.

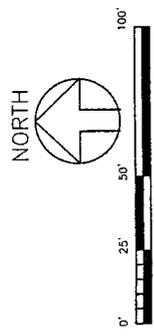
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SITE PLAN
USE PERMIT**
CASE NO. UP06-0087

PROJECT:
**SVK RELIGIOUS &
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(SVK VENKATAKRISHNA KSHETRA)
590 N. DOBSON ROAD, CHANDLER, AZ
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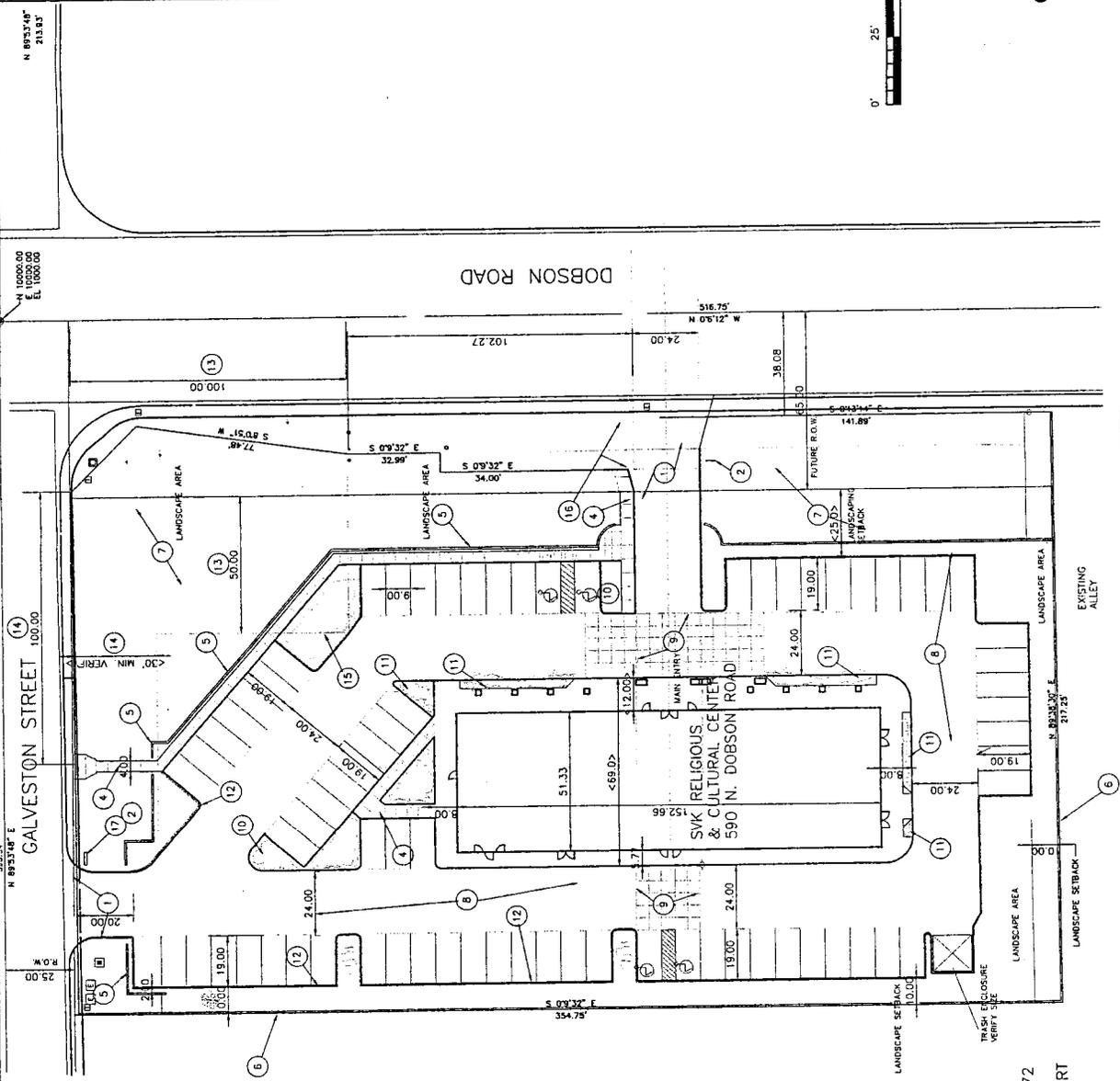


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- KEYED NOTES**
1. DRIVEWAY ENTRY PER MAG #251 (OR AS DIRECTED BY CITY OF CHANDLER) WITH MODIFIED LARGER TURNING RADII
 2. "STOP SIGN"
 3. NOT USED
 4. CONCRETE SIDEWALK TO BE ADA COMPLIANT
 5. 8" MASONRY DECORATIVE SCREEN WALL - 30'-42" HIGH
 6. 8" MASONRY WALL TOP OF WALL TO BE 6" ABOVE BUILDING PAD ELEVATION VERIFY LOCATION OF EXISTING AND ADD NEW WALL
 7. BERMS - NOT SHOWN SEE CIVIL DRAWINGS
 8. ASPHALT PAVING - PARKING AND DRIVEWAY
 9. CONCRETE DRIVEWAY AND/OR CONCRETE WALK TO BE FLUSH WITH ASPHALT PAVING
 10. LANDSCAPING ISLAND 9'X19' - SEE LANDSCAPING PLAN
 11. LANDSCAPING PLANTER - SEE LANDSCAPE PLAN
 12. 6" CONCRETE CURB - TYPICAL
 13. 50' LANDSCAPING SETBACK - 100' ALONG ARTERIAL STREET
 14. 30' LANDSCAPING SETBACK - 100' ALONG NON-ARTERIAL STREET
 15. LANDSCAPED AREA
 16. ADD CONCRETE TO MATCH EXISTING BUS BAY
 17. "NO LEFT TURN"



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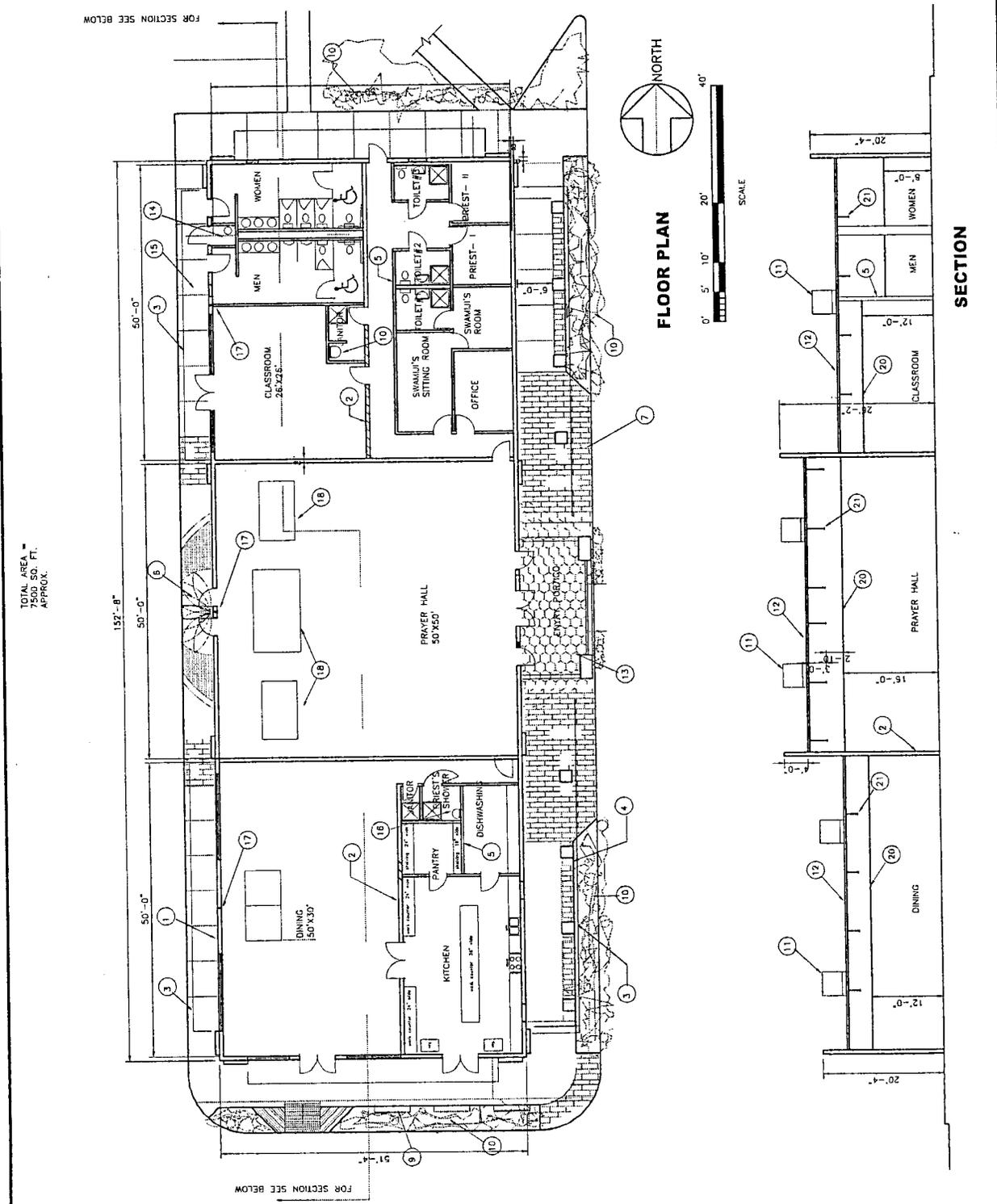
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SINGLE FAMILY

ZONED SF8.5 - SINGLE FAMILY

TOTAL PARKING SHOWN = 72
SEE ATTACHED TRAFFIC REPORT
ON PARKING REQUIREMENTS

Site Plan

- KEYED NOTES**
1. 8" CONCRETE MASONRY UNIT WALL WITH 4" FURRING INSIDE INTERIOR WALL
 2. 8" CONCRETE MASONRY UNIT INTERIOR WALL
 3. SHADE STRUCTURE ABOVE
 4. STEEL TUBE COLUMN WITH ATTACHED ARCHITECTURAL MOLDINGS WITH TEMPLE MOTIF
 5. METAL STUD WALL WITH GYPSUM BOARD BOTH SIDES
 6. TRADITIONAL TEMPLE PATTERNS IN COLORED CONCRETE
 7. COLORED CONCRETE PANKERS
 8. GLAZING TO BE INSULATED, TINTED
 9. CONCRETE BENCHES WITH SHOE STORAGE BELOW
 10. LANDSCAPING
 11. ROOF TOP UNITS TO BE FULLY SCREENED BY PARAPET WALLS
 12. MODIFIED BRUWEN ROOF ON INSULATION ON ROOF DECK
 13. CERAMIC TILES ON CONCRETE
 14. SPRINKLER CLOSET
 15. CONCRETE WALK
 16. ROOF ACCESS LADDER WITH OSHA COMPLIANT CAGE AND LADDER UP
 17. ROOF DRAIN LEACHER IN WALL CAVITY
 18. SPACE FOR SANCTUARY
 19. NOT USED
 20. CEILING
 21. STEEL JOISTS



TOTAL AREA -
 7500 SQ. FT.
 APPROX.

FOR SECTION SEE BELOW

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Floor Plan

LANDSCAPING CALCULATIONS

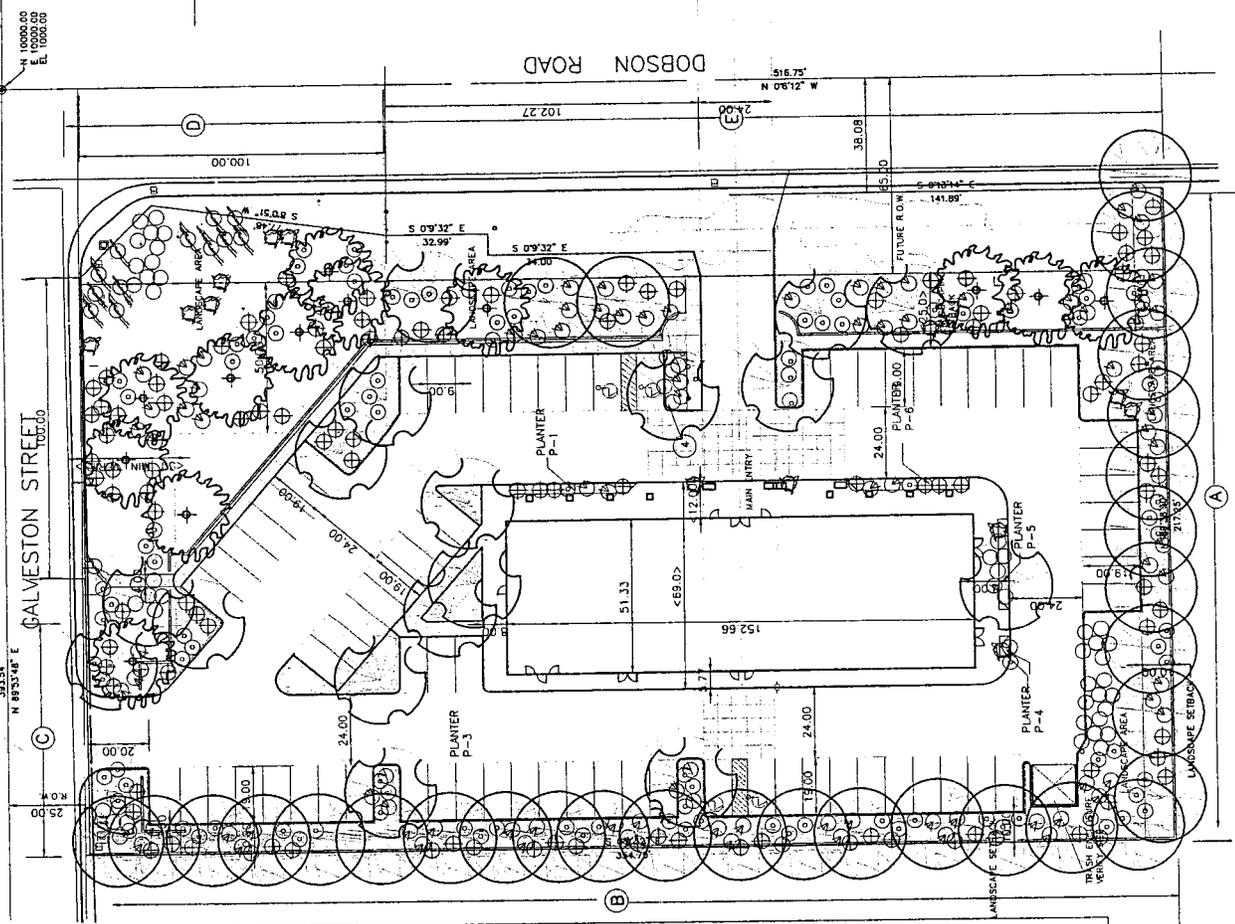
AREA	REQUIRED	PROVIDED
A	DISSIMILAR LAND USE BUFFER SOUTH EVERGREEN TREES - 12 HI . 20' ON CENTER (10) SHRUBS 5' ON CENTER (44)	TREES - 11 TREES SHRUBS - 50
B	DISSIMILAR LAND USE BUFFER WEST EVERGREEN TREES - 12 HI . 20' ON CENTER (18) SHRUBS 5' ON CENTER (71)	TREES - 18 TREES SHRUBS - 80
C	STREETFRONT NORTHWEST TREES - 3 SHRUBS - 17 GROUND COVERAGE 50%	TREES - 3 TREES SHRUBS - 18
D	INTERSECTION LANDSCAPE SETBACK NORTHEAST TREES - 8 SHRUBS - 49 GROUND COVERAGE 50%	TREES - 8 TREES SHRUBS - 50
E	STREETFRONT EAST TREES - 9 SHRUBS - 54 GROUND COVERAGE 50%	TREES - 9 TREES SHRUBS - 60
F	LANDSCAPING PLANTER IN PARKING LOT TREES - 1 SHRUBS - 5	TREES - 1 TREES SHRUBS - 6

FOUNDATION PLANTING
 PLANTER P-1P-4
 PLANTER P-2P-5
 PLANTER P-3P-6

NOTE: ALONG DOBSON ROAD
 MINIMUM TREE SIZES TO BE:
 9- 24" BOX
 4- 36" BOX
 4- 48" BOX



PRELIMINARY LANDSCAPING PLAN



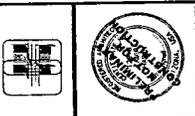
PLANT MATERIALS LEGEND

- CHILEAN MESQUITE 12' HI
Prosopis chilensis
- BLUE PALO VERDE 15 GAL
Cercidium floridum
- PALO BREA / SONORAN 15 GAL
Cercidium praecox
- SHRUBS**
- SILVER LEAF CASSIA 5 GAL
Cassia phyllodaria
- MEXICAN SAGE BUSH 5 GAL
Salvia leucantha
- BAJA RUELLA 5 GAL
Ruellia paniculata
- GROUND COVERS**
- NEW GOLD LANTANA 1 GAL
Lantana camara
- TRAILING INDIGO BUSH 1 GAL
Dalrymplea greggii
- ACCENT**
- RED YUCCA 5 GAL
Hesperaloe parviflora
- RED BIRD OF PARADISE 5 GAL
Casalpinia mexicana
- EDUARDVILLEA 1 GAL
Edouardvillea brasiliensis

ALL LANDSCAPE AREA TO BE COVERED WITH 2" LAYER OF 1/4" DECOMPOSED GRANITE

Landscape Plan

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PRELIMINARY LANDSCAPING PLAN USE PERMIT #UP06-0087
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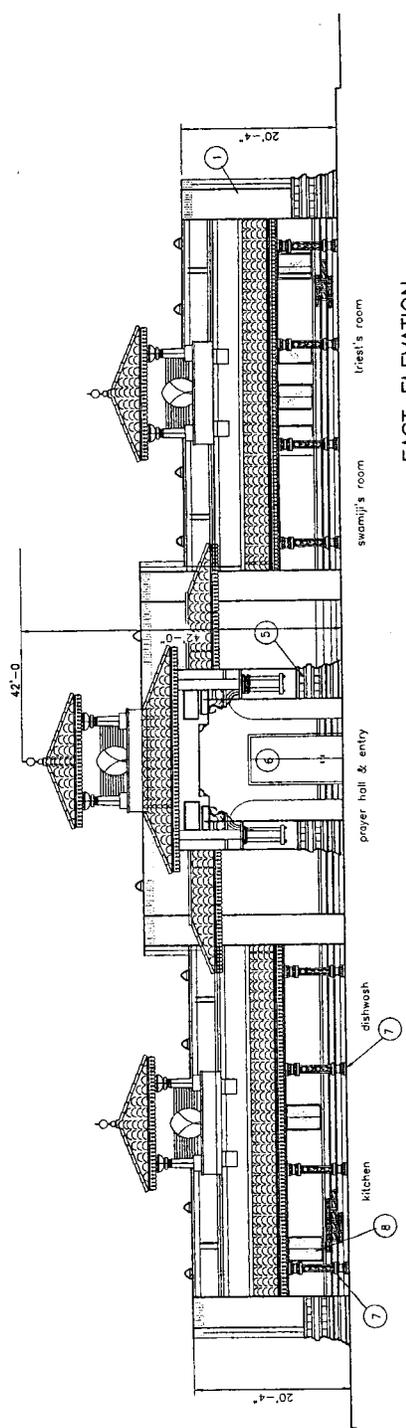
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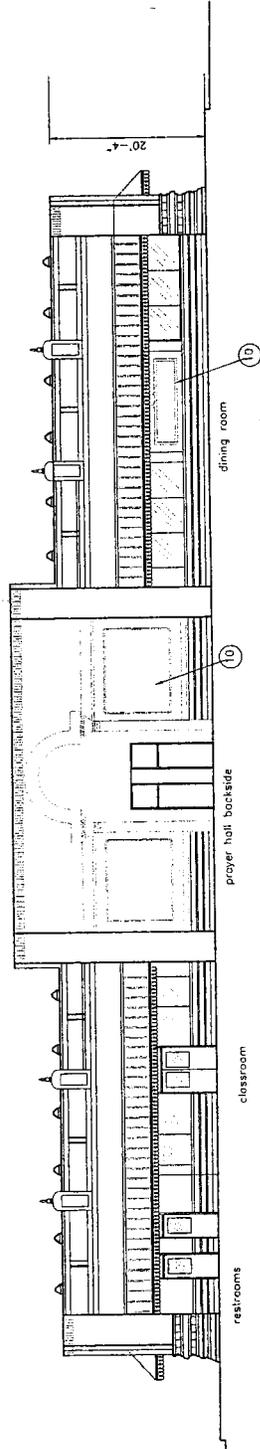
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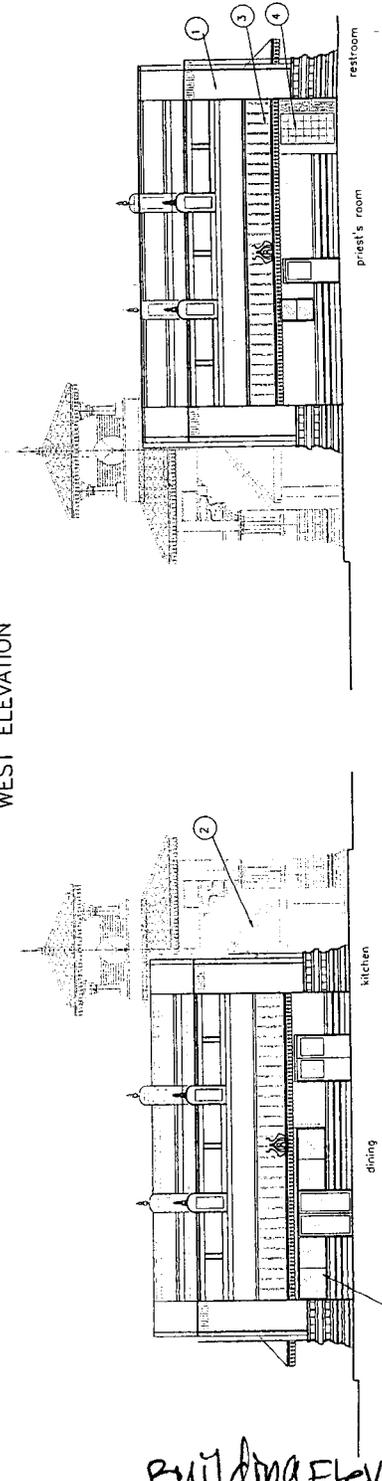
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6. ENTRYWAY
7. STEEL TUBE COLUMNS WITH HAND CRAFTED ORNAMENTAL FORMS ATTACHED
8. ALUMINUM WINDOWS WITH 1" INSULATED TINTED GLASS
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10. SPACE FOR FUTURE 3-D MURAL OF TRADITIONAL MOTIF



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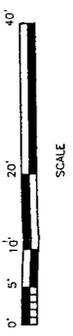


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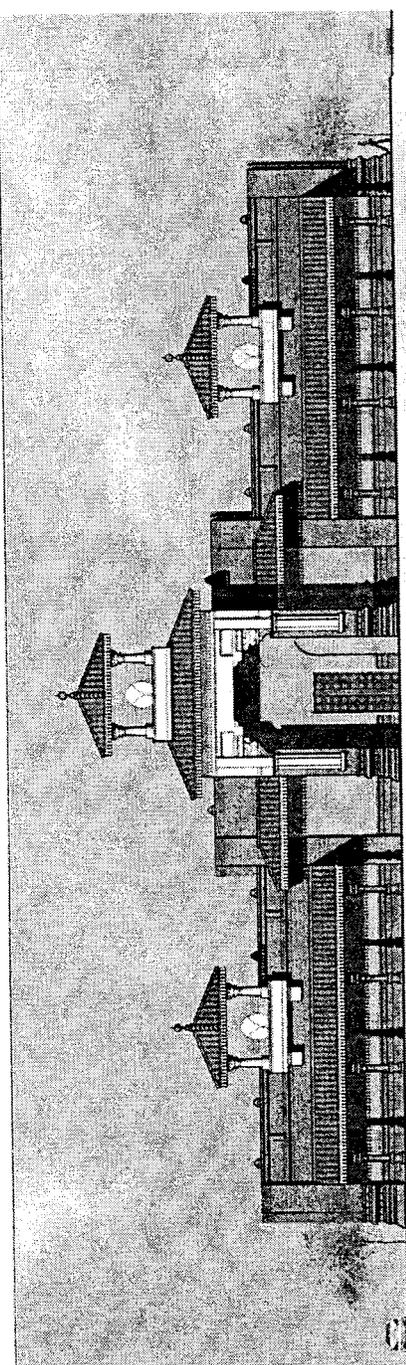
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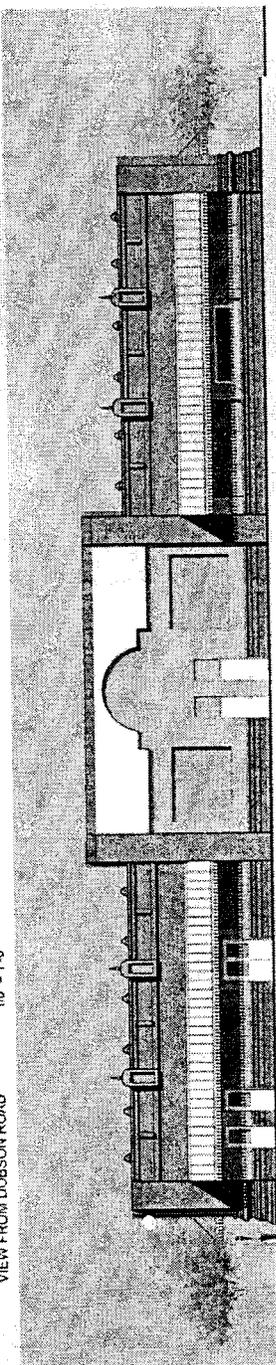


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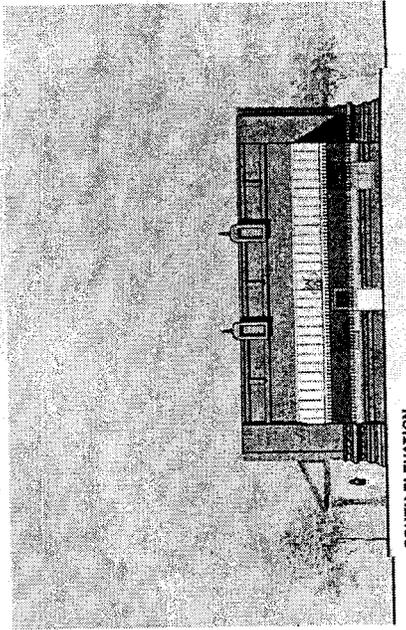
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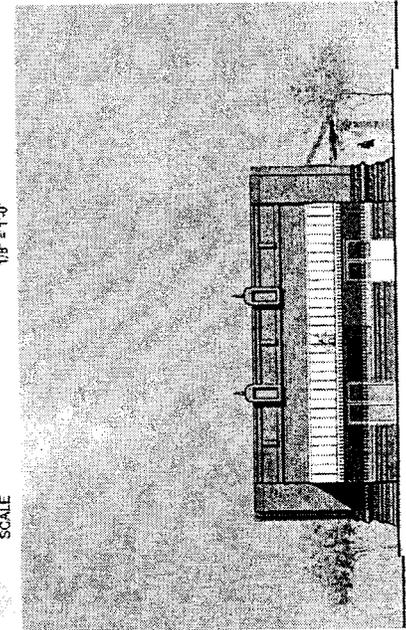
EAST ELEVATION
 VIEW FROM DOBSON ROAD
 1/8" = 1'-0"



WEST ELEVATION
 SCALE
 1/8" = 1'-0"



SOUTH ELEVATION
 SCALE
 1/8" = 1'-0"



NORTH ELEVATION
 VIEW FROM GALVESTON STREET
 1/8" = 1'-0"

Building Elevations

SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Kiran Kumar, Head Priest
590 N Dobson Road
Chandler, Arizona 85224

May 14, 2007

**2nd NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING NOTICE for
SVK RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL CENTER at
590 NORTH DOBSON ROAD**

CITY USE PERMIT CASE NO. UP06-0087 SVK RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL CENTER

Dear Area Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a scheduled 2nd Neighborhood Meeting for the proposed place of worship in your area. The proposed development is 7,500 square foot one-story Hindu faith based place of worship called SVK Religious & Cultural Center located at the southwest corner of Dobson Road and Galveston Street, 590 North Dobson Road.

Based on the feed back from our 1st Neighborhood Meeting held on April 10, 2007, we have made the following changes to address your concerns:

- **Dobson Road Access**

The City has accepted our proposal to change the main project access from Galveston Street to Dobson Road. We anticipate that majority of vehicular movement to and from the project site will be through the Dobson Road entrance. Galveston Street will be restricted to exit only for right turn movements to the traffic signal; left turns are not permitted.

- **Building Height**

The originally proposed project included a building height of about 22-feet with a front architectural elevation of approximately 48-feet with the tower element. Based on the comments received in our first neighborhood meeting, the front architectural elevation facing Dobson Road will be reduced by over ten percent to approximately 43-feet and the remaining building height to about 20.5 feet.

You are invited to our 2nd neighborhood meeting to learn more about the project changes we have made to address neighborhood issues. This meeting is scheduled as noted below:

DATE: WEDNESDAY, May 30, 2007
TIME: 6:30 PM
**LOCATION: Downtown Chandler Community Center
125 E. Commonwealth Avenue
Rooms 205 & 206 (2nd Floor)**

If you have any questions or comments on the proposed Use Permit zoning application for this development, please contact Zamir Hasan, the project architect at (480) 967-1766 or Jodie Novak, Senior City Planner with City of Chandler at (480) 782-3060.

Sincerely,


Kiran Kumar
Head Priest

*Applicant's
2nd Neighborhood
Meeting Notice letter*

SVK Religious and Cultural Center Use Permit Case- UP06-0087

Meeting Summary

2nd Neighborhood Meeting May 30, 2007

Notes: (1) Questions are in *italics* and **responses are in bold**

The neighborhood meeting was held on May 30, 2007 in Rooms 205 & 206 at Downtown Chandler Community Center located at 125 E Commonwealth Avenue. The meeting formally opened at 6:30 pm with about 32 attendees from the neighborhood.

The project team provided project update on changes made based on the feed back from the 1st neighborhood meeting. The meeting ended approximately at 7:30 pm.

The following questions were raised by various participants:

1. *Even with the main entry from Dobson, there will be still traffic on Galveston.*
2. *The building height for Ag-1 zoning is 35 feet. The revised height of 43 feet will not meet the code.*

We have reduced the architectural tower element from 48 feet to 43 feet. The building height has been reduced from 22 feet to 20.5 feet. We will revise if required by the City to meet the zoning code.

3. *The deed restriction for this parcel is for residential use only*

We have reviewed the CCR and our opinion is that we are not violating any restrictions.

4. *Why did you select this neighborhood for your project?*
5. *I suggest that you sell this property and with the profit buy some where else?*

No Comment.

6. *Architecturally this project does not fit but doesn't matter as this is not a residential project.*
7. *If we all say no, will you go ahead with the project?*
8. *This area has been a residential for generations.*
9. *What is the number of parking spaces provided? What is the maximum occupancy?*

The conceptual site plan provides about 70 parking spaces. Required parking per our estimate is 55 spaces. Based on our conceptual plans, the estimated maximum occupancy is 218. (The number is based on assumption and the final approved occupancy will be determined by the City.)

In the current proposal the tip of the architectural facade is approximately 48-feet. The building portion is about 22-feet. We are open to idea of reducing the overall building height to meet the requirements.

10. *Is there anything at all say or do that will make you say we will move elsewhere? Is there a buy out option, is there a price tag?*

No Comment.

11. *What happens when you grow? I can't believe it wouldn't grow...*
12. *What will you do if you can't build this project?*

No Comment.

13. *If we say yes to one project, then it will continue on. Traffic on Galveston is our concern.*
14. *I said this comment in last meeting and make again. Does anyone know what can be built on this property? I have spoken with Chandler City officials and they can re-zone and put Burger King in their. I would rather see low use development like this facility than a high use commercial facility.*

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	Phone	email	Address
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Mark JUDISZAK 22 N Bullmoose Cir			
Laree Kludering 2041 W. Galveston			
Barbara & Max Butcher 21 N. Bull Moose Cir	480-963-0705		
Vicki Donovan			
Denise Phillips HARI KANDADAI	480.857.2762	denise.phillips@iglicle.com	TAMARISKST
CHRISTY Quick-Wheaton	480-236-0730	HARIKANDADAI@YAHOO.COM CHRISTYQUICK@COX.NET	Galveston St.
Kala Rajagopalan Mel Rajagopalan	480-763-5539 480-763-5539	XXXXXXXXXXXX FENVIBERE@GMAIL.COM	
Sudhindra Bangalore	480-517-6957	Sudhi@COX.NET	
ANANTH RAO	480-726-6789	anr22@yohas.com	
		Sudhindra	

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Name / Address	Contact Info	
	Phone	email
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Dave Harris 710 N. Bullmoose Drive		dharri e persele.com
DAVE Sommer 2406 W HARRISON	963-1475	
PAM & TOMMY BERGGREN PO Box 6734 CHANDLER AZ 85246	250-6141	
Diana Irwin 606 N. DeSoto St		
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ANITHA RAJENDRA PRABHU	480-921-2189	anitha.prabhu@gmail.com
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May 30, 2007.

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Name/ADDRESS

Contact : Info
Phone, email, Address.

Jothu MARANCHUK

n/a

VIDYANATH. TIRUMALA

216-269-7836

Umasankar Jay

482-614-6914

Karthik Iyer

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SITARAM INGUVA

602-549-2537

Aheesh / Saritha

480-516-4630

SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Kiran Kumar, Head Priest
590 N Dobson Road
Chandler, Arizona 85224

March 22, 2007

NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING NOTICE for SVK RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL CENTER at 590 NORTH DOBSON ROAD

CITY ZONING CASE NO. UP06-0087 SVK RELIGIOUS & CULTURAL CENTER

Dear Area Property Owner:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of a scheduled Neighborhood Meeting for a proposed place of worship in your area. The proposed development is SVK Religious & Cultural Center located at the southwest corner of Dobson Road and Galveston Street, 590 North Dobson Road. The proposal is to redevelop the property with a new Hindu faith based place of worship and cultural center called SVK Religious & Cultural Center. The new development of the property includes a 7,500 square foot, one-story place of worship, which includes a prayer hall and facilities such as a dining hall, classrooms, and living quarters for priests. The facility accommodates Hindu-based prayer and cultural activities.

On behalf of the property owner, Zamir Hasan & Associates, Inc. the Project Architect has filed a Use Permit zoning application with City of Chandler's Planning & Development Department for review and processing. A Use Permit is required to allow a place of worship in a residential zoning district. The property is zoned AG-1 (Agricultural District) which permits one single-family residence per acre.

You are invited to our neighborhood meeting to learn more about the Use Permit development request. This meeting is scheduled for:

DATE: April 10, 2007

TIME: 6:30 PM

LOCATION: Downtown Chandler Community Center
125 E. Commonwealth Avenue
Rooms 202 & 203 (2nd Floor)

If you have any questions or comments on the proposed Use Permit zoning application for this development, please contact Zamir Hasan, the project architect at (480) 967-1766 or Jodie Novak, Senior City Planner with City of Chandler at (480) 782-3060.

Sincerely,


Kiran Kumar
Head Priest

Attachments: Site Plan & Elevations

Applicant's 1st
Neighborhood Meeting
Notice Letter.



Raghu
<rhnnandan@yahoo.com>
04/12/2007 02:11 PM

To Jodie.Novak@chandleraz.gov
cc Kiran Kumar <kvkumar678@yahoo.com>, Zamir
<hzm@zharchitects.com>
bcc
Subject Sign-in Sheets & Comments from Apr 10th Neighborhood Meeting - UP06-0087

Jodie,

Attached below are 1) Sign-in sheets and 2) Comments we received at the meeting for your use. I have them as two PDF documents. We are working on meeting minutes and will have it you in a day or two.

Thanks

Raghu Nandan

Copy: Zamir - Project Architect
Kiran Kumar - Priest

Food fight? Enjoy some healthy debate



in the Yahoo! Answers Food & Drink Q&A. Neighborhood_Mtg_Apr102007_Sign-In Sheet.pdf



Neighborhood_Mtg_Apr102007_Comments.pdf

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NAME ADDRESS	E-MAIL PHONE NO.	COMMENTS
Terry & Rosa Bigg 700 N. Dobson Rd #42		
Phillip & Laura Wolfe 2318 W Galveston St		
Mike Rathen 700 N Dobson Rd #43 Chandler		
B.L. Ramakrishna 5043 W. Harrison St Chandler AZ 85224		
Dean Ellsworth 2111 W. Galveston Chandler		
Chris Markham 120 E 1 st Ave Mesa, AZ		
Ben-van de Knoop 700 N Dobson #52 Chandler AZ		
Leslie Updike 18 N. Bullmoose Cr.		

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NAME ADDRESS	E-MAIL PHONE NO.	COMMENTS
MAKARCHUK 2281 W. GALVESTON	(480) 999-4428	
TOM HOBYDN 2191 W. GALVESTON	480-838-4907	
MARK JUOLISKA 22 N BULLMOOSE	480 793 7528	
BARRY & WENDY PATTON 19 N. Bullmoose Circle CHANDLER, AZ	480-732-1943	
DAVE SOMMER 2406 W HARRISON	480 963 1475	Will NOT FIT OR WORK ON THIS CORNER LOT
LAREE DUDGING 2041 W. Galveston	480-963-3190	This will cause too much Traffic
Max & Barbara Butcher 21 N. Bull Moose Cir	480-963-0705	Traffic - Access Not appropriate in Residential Neighborhood
Tom & Jane Kincaid 12 N Bullmoose Cir	480-963-7211	Traffic - Access same as above

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NAME ADDRESS	E-MAIL PHONE NO.	COMMENTS
Scott Taylor 2171 W. Galveston	Scott@TaylorNielsen.com (480)247-8295	Move Driveway!
Craig Day 700 N. Dobson #48		
Denise Phillips 617 N. TAMARISK ST	denise.phillips@iglide.net 480-917-2488	

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NAME ADDRESS	E-MAIL PHONE NO.	COMMENTS
HARI KANDADAI 2109 W. WILDHORSE DR CHANDLER, AZ 85248	HARIKANDADAI@AII100. C.17 480-857-2762	STRONGLY SUPPORT. ADDS TO CULTURAL DIVERSITY, PROMOTES RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE.
VENKAT AULA 921 W FOLLEY ST. CHANDLER, AZ 85228	V-AVULA@YAHOO.COM AVULA@YAHOO.COM 602-751-5771	STRONGLY SUPPORT THE BUILDING OF THIS CENTER. WILL SERVE AN IMPORTANT SOCIETAL PURPOSE
SITARAM INGOVA LAVEEN AZ 85339 Beena G. 2109 W. WILDHORSE DR. Chd. AZ 85248	ISITARAM@YAHOO.COM 602-549-2537	GREAT PLACE. STRONGLY SUP
SHARADA RAO 2419 W. Megan St CHANDLER. AZ 85224	Sharada_Anant Rao yahn.ca 480-726-6787	Strongly support, to encourage cultural diversity on place to pray for world peace
ANANTH RAO 2419 W. Megan St Chandler. AZ 85224	anr2202@yahoo com 480-726-6787	Strongly support
Arathi RAO 4829 W ERIE ST CHANDLER AZ 85226	Arathi Rao2000@yahoo.com	Strong support
SHARATCHANDRA BHARGAV 1570 W. MAGGIO WAY, #2033 CHANDLER, AZ 85224	Sharatchandra_b@ yahoo.com. 602-626-7431	Heavily support this cultural & social center
Aparna Ramasimha 1570 W. Maggio Way, #2033 Chandler, AZ 85224	aparna.ap@gmail.com	I whole heartedly support the establishment of this religious & cultural center

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NAME ADDRESS	E-MAIL PHONE NO.	COMMENTS
SHARATCHANDRA BHARGAV 1570. W. MAGGIO WAY, #2033 CHANDLER, AZ - 85224	sharatchandra_b@ yahoo.com. 480-626-7431	I Heartedly support the establishment of the cultural center.
Aparna Ramasimha 1570, W. Maggio Way, #2033, Chandler, AZ 85224	aparna.rp@gmail.com	I whole heartedly support the establishment of the SVK Religious & Cultural Center
Uma Shamasunder 1401 N 24th Ave Phoenix AZ 85027	Uma.Shamasunder@ Phoenix.gov	I Support the temple.
Malavika Muralidharan 1721 E. LA DONNA LANE TEMPE AZ 85283	mmalavika@hotmail .com	I wholeheartedly support the temple.
MURALI KRISHNAMACHARI 1721 E. LA DONNA LANE TEMPE AZ 85283	mmalavika@hotmail .com	I Support the Venture.
ANU BHAT 2721 W. LAREDO PL. CHANDLER AZ 85224	ANUBHAT1@ cox.net 480.926.6996	I WHOLE HEARTEDLY SUPPORT THE ESTABLISHMENT!
SHRITHAR CHANNAGIRI 420, S. Ocean Dr. Gilbert, AZ, 85234	cvshrithar@yahoo .com 480 656 9763	My total support to this center which brings community together!!
Thiru Mandyan 4643 W. Erie # 85226	480 763 5613	

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1. General Comments

This area is a residential area, single family dwelling - designated agricultural acreage. There is no commercial on our side of ~~the~~ Dobson (west side). No entrance on Galveston =
Too much traffic on Galveston - the traffic light is not helpful either. This is not fair to owners in area - height of building, noise, & lights =

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

Building is too high for the neighborhood
Up keep of property has not been been good at all since new owners have bought the property - I don't like the fence going all the way to Galveston - blocking my view of the area. Entrance on Galveston. I will not ~~not~~ vote for this church -

NAME: Lace Auddenig
ADDRESS: 7041 W. Galveston
E-MAIL: _____
PHONE: 480-963-3190

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1. General Comments ^{TRAFFIC} WILL CREATE MORE CONGESTION. RIGHT HAND TURN OFF OF GALVESTON TO GO SOUTH ON DOBSON ALREADY BECOMING A PROBLEM. EAST SIDE OF DOBSON SOUTH OF GALVESTON IS ALREADY MAXED OUT WITH NEW BUSINESS BUILDINGS.
GALVESTON ~~IS~~ IS AND SHOULD REMAIN AG-1 RESIDENTIAL
AS NOTED ABOVE ABOUT THE RIGHT TURN ON TO DOBSON OFF OF GALVESTON, IF THE SIGNAL LIGHT IS NOT GREEN FOR GALVESTON, TRAFFIC WANTING TO CROSS DOBSON BACKS THE CARS WANTING TO MAKE THE TIGHT ~~TURN~~ ~~ON~~ ON TO DOBSON.
I FEEL THIS PROJECT WOULD IMPACT VALUE OF EXISTING HOMES. POSSIBILITY OF OVERFLOW PARKING ON GALVESTON

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

NOT TO BE BUILT

NAME: LEONARD MEDEIROS

ADDRESS: 2141 W. GALVESTON

E-MAIL: NONE

PHONE 480-963-0548

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1. General Comments

If there is any additional traffic on Galveston (I live on Galveston) due to the building of anything other than a single family dwelling, we are against it!

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

Only a Single Family Dwelling on the property to stay within the neighborhood guidelines, and the reason we purchased our home on Galveston 3 years ago.

NAME: Carol Getz
ADDRESS: 2404 W. Galveston
E-MAIL: cgetz@senorx.com
PHONE 480-839-3110

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1. General Comments

NO TO USE OF THE PROPERTY AT 590 N. DOBSON RD AS
SOMETHING OTHER THAN THE CURRENT RESIDENTIAL USE.

- NO TO TRAFFIC CONGESTION
- NO TO THE HEIGHT (48 FT) OF THE BUILDING
- NO TO THE AMOUNT OF REFUSE THAT WILL BE GENERATED
- NO TO A ZONING CHANGE
- NO TO A USE PERMIT

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

THIS PROJECT NEEDS TO BE MOVED TO A NON-RESIDENTIAL
AREA.

NAME: P.A. Beckgreen
ADDRESS: P.O. Box 6754, Chandler,
E-MAIL: 85246
PHONE _____

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1. General Comments

BRIEFER CLAIMS THAT NOTIFICATION OF APR 10 MEETING WAS MAILED TO SOME GOD HOMES. WE RECEIVED NOTHING IN THE MAIL BUT FROM A PASSER-BY AS WE WERE IN THE FRONT YARD.

THE PROPOSED LOCATION IS IN A WELL ESTABLISHED RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITY WHICH SHOULD REMAIN AS SUCH. NO EXCEPTION SHOULD BE GRANTED TO THE CURRENT ZONING OR USE PERMIT.

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

THE NEED SHOULD BE SATISFIED BY LOCATING ON A PROPERTY ZONED FOR THIS USE.

NAME: T. H. BERGGREN
ADDRESS: P O BOX 6734
CHANDLER AZ 85246
E-MAIL: _____
PHONE _____

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1. General Comments

Our fear is there will be too
much traffic. It should
remain residential.

Traffic on Dobson really
concerns me. The construction
vehicles alone to build this huge facility
will create unwanted traffic.

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

no further action

select a new site

NAME: Van der Kuyp
ADDRESS: 700 N. Dobson
E-MAIL: _____
PHONE: _____

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1. General Comments

THE CURRENT PROPOSAL VIOLATES EXISTING CODES FOR
RESIDENTIAL ZONING. IE: NO OTHER COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS
EXIST ON THE WEST SIDE OF DOBSON.

THE HEIGHT OF THE BUILDING IS OBJECTIONABLE.

THE DESIGN OF THE BUILDING DOES NOT FIT WELL IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

TRAFFIC WILL BE A PROBLEM FOR THE RESIDENTIAL AREA ON GALVESTON.

PARKING MAY BE INADQUIT ON WEEKENDS OR HOLIDAYS AND WILL
OVERFLOW ONTO GALVESTON ST. WHICH IS ALL RESIDENTIAL.

WE ARE NOT IN FAVOR OF THIS PROJECT.

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

BUILD A SINGLE FAMILY HOME ON THE PROPERTY.

NAME: TERRY & ROSA BIAGI
ADDRESS: 700 N. DOBSON RD House #42
E-MAIL: TBIAGI@COX.NET
PHONE 480-917-9006

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1. General Comments

1. Will INCREASE TRAFFIC ON GALVASTON. Will block DRIVEWAY OF NEIGHBORING RESIDENCES
2. NEIGHBOR WILL HAVE THE RESTRICTIONS CREATED BY TRAFFIC & PARKING ON GALVASTON.
3. BUILDING DOES NOT FIT NEIGHBORHOOD.
4. BUILDING AS SHOWN TOO HIGH.
5. LIGHTING AT NIGHT WILL IMPRDS SURROUNDING NEIGHBORS

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

DECREASE SIZE/HEIGHT
LIMIT OCCUPANCY
IMPROV ENTRIES TO DOBSON

NAME:

DAVE SOMMER

ADDRESS:

2406 W. HARRISON

E-MAIL:

PHONE

980 963 1475

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1. General Comments

Just interested

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

None

NAME: ROBERT C. HADEN

ADDRESS: 8362 VIA DE RISA

E-MAIL: BOBWIRE1@COX.NET

PHONE: (480) 443-8672

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1. General Comments

The meeting needs to have a direction,
a goal & a mediator.

Ask & State & address concerns.

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

- The Design doonit fit in with the area.
- I would rather spend time on the facade.

NAME: Leslie Updike
ADDRESS: 18 N. Bullmoose Cr
E-MAIL: _____
PHONE: 963-5234

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1. General Comments

- ① This is a residential area and needs to stay that way. It is the reason we live there.
- ② Traffic flow can not be adequately controlled. Do not want the congestion - too much traffic!
-

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

Find a different location for this non-residential building in an appropriately zoned area.

NAME: Jackie Gully
ADDRESS: 604 N. Bellmead Dr.
E-MAIL: jgully@hotmail.com
PHONE: 480-963-3317

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1. General Comments

Facility is inappropriate for a residential neighborhood. Too tall - not enough parking. Traffic entry should be from ~~the~~ Dobson.

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

Driveway on Dobson
Building to reflect South West
architecture + colors.
Much lower height.

NAME : _____

ADDRESS : _____

E-MAIL : _____

PHONE _____

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1. General Comments

It is good not only to the Hindu community but to the whole people of the state of Arizona.

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

NAME: ARVIND KULKARNI

ADDRESS: 610 S. EMERSON ST, CHANDLER, AZ 85225

E-MAIL: tempeswjobs@yahoo.com

PHONE 480.272.8883

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NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING 4-10-07

1. General Comments

This centre will be a wonderful cultural, religious and social centre, promoting ~~learning~~ learning, good moral and cultural values. This will provide a wonderful opportunity to the people of the Hindu faith to practice their faith in a harmonious & peaceful manner.

The ~~temple~~ Temple will strive to integrate itself peacefully in the Community, without disrupting the peaceful peace and quiet of the residential community, or violating any laws in any way.

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

None.

NAME: SHARATCHANDRA BHARGAV.

ADDRESS: 1570 W. MASS, 10 LAY #2033 CHANDLER AZ
-85224

E-MAIL: sharatchandra_b@yahoo.com

PHONE 480-626-7431

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1. General Comments

I support the construction of the
Place of worship

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

Be respectful of the city codes
and also build community trust

NAME: B-L. Ramakrishna
ADDRESS: 5043 W. Harrison St
Chandler AZ 85226
E-MAIL: b.ramakrishna@asu.edu
PHONE: 480-965-6560

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1. General Comments

I SUPPORT THIS PROJECT

2. What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?

NAME: ANANTH RAO 4/10/07
ADDRESS: 2419 W. MEGAN ST.
E-MAIL: CHANDLER AZ-85224
anv9202@xohoo.com
PHONE: 480-726-6787

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NEIGHBORHOOD MEETING 4-10-07

1. General Comments
- 1) SVK Cultural Center is not an appropriate use of ~~this property~~ ^{of this property}. The west side of Dobson from Ray Rd to where commercial starts @ ^{NW} corner of Dobson + Chandler Blvd ... is ^{all} residential property.
 - 2) property @ 590 N Dobson can be used for residential like the homes on the NW corner in La Marietta.
 - 3) IF this use (church) is allowed - when the property just west at 2041 W. Galveston is sold - what's to stop it from becoming another church or non residential use property -

4) Galveston is already an extremely busy street. People use our street as a short cut to the mall, the freeway + shopping at Coronado + Chandler Blvd. They miss all the traffic + lights on Chandler Blvd. Members attending the proposed SVK Center will

2. ~~What changes or modifications you would like to see in this project?~~
 most likely use our street in the same manner. In 2001, as a neighborhood, we petitioned + got speed bumps. These slow maybe 50% of the traffic but a lot of cars still exceed the speed limit by 10-20 miles per hour. Galveston is still a high traffic street. In 2001 (5/16/2001) the city traffic study showed 2400 cars using Galveston (per day). I'd love to see a new study - we're way above that number -

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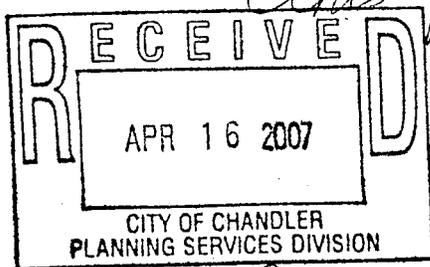
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5) This facility expects member traffic all day everyday - last of three services is @ 8 pm - . But, they also plan to have a school - and dining hall.

6) Would ~~be~~ ^{be} the only ^{Hindu} Church (per SVK representatives @ meeting) serving Mesa, Tempe Chandler and other surrounding areas. In other words, they would be drawing members from a very large area.

They may only have 30 families as ~~many~~ members now - but once they have a church/place to meet that can handle more people - they will grow. They now meet in people's homes.

7) Approximately 50+ people from the neighborhood were in attendance; 99% of comments from these persons were not in favor of this project.



If this facility was being built on the east side of Dobson ... This would be an appropriate site. The current site is not.

Xu)



"Mark" <wo7t@az4us.com>

05/28/2007 09:00 PM

To <jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov>

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Subject City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Religious and Cultural Center

Dear Jodie:

Please accept my attached feedback of disapproval attached, in joining with my fellow neighbors opposing the changing of non-residential property to something alternate for the case referenced in the subject above.

Sincerely,
Mark Gustoff



SVK.pdf

May 28, 2007

I join many neighbors in concern regarding the SVK Religious and Cultural Center attempting to alter the zoning at 590 North Dobson. I join them in opposition, due largely to the congestion, safety, and defacement of the original residential intention. Please understand I am opposed for any non-residential use. I would not like to see special permits or variances for restaurants, gas stations, churches, coffee shops, libraries.

We are a community of 1 acre lots with the elbow room to allow for our horses, cows, dogs, and other hobbies people enjoy, such as extensive gardens. We do not wish to see these 1 acre parcels densely packed with non-residential ventures, especially taller than conventional housing, and wrapped around with asphalt parking lots. If we start down this road in this neighborhood, I fear we start a trend that becomes appalling to what exists today.

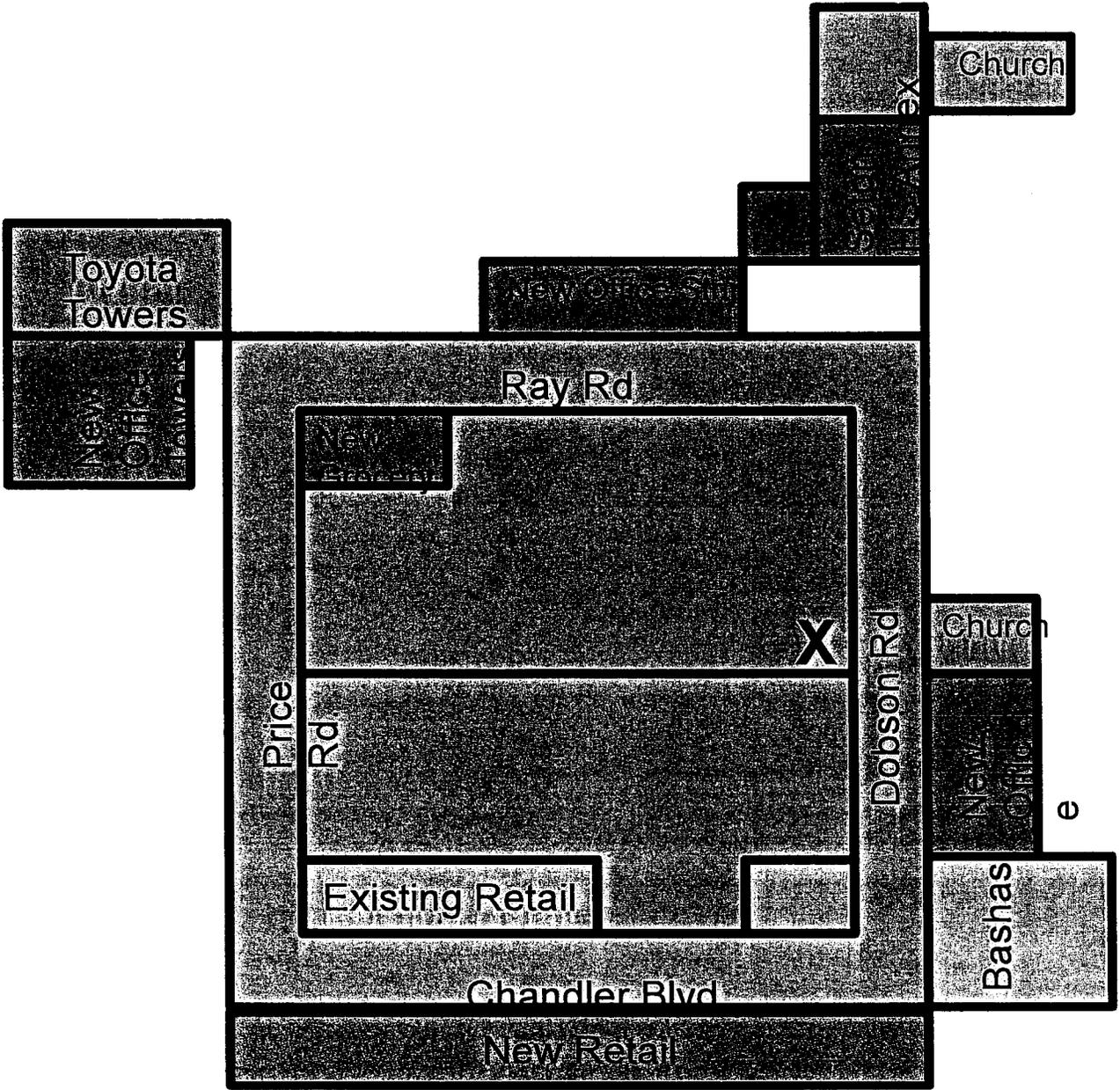
The Chandler Mall, and the strip mall on the north side of Chandler, east of the 101 freeway, have turned Galveston into an extensively traveled road, and despite speed bumps it is too unsafe with speeding traffic, for me to allow my pre-teen children onto that road for bicycle rides.

In reflecting on the rough map below, and the additional growth underway in our 1 square mile community, I would like to advise that my arrival here in the mid-90s was met with 7 minute drives to various nearby locations that have now turned into 17 minute drives with the mall congestion. After the red spots on the map are complete I suspect those will now grow to 27 minute drives. I can't see allowing non-residentially zone properties to enter the fray. It makes no sense. It was not what zoning intended from inception for such property proposed for the SVK Center.

With the razing of many buildings on the south side of Chandler Blvd, and on Dobson Road around the Chandler hospital, there remains ample property with non-residential zoning that could support an SVK Religious and Cultural Center, without digging into an established and entrenched neighborhood. There even appears a notable row of diverse religious establishments running up Alma School road north of Chandler Blvd. Here again, I would presume zoning is already aligned to the building goals of SVK.

In summary, I would respectfully request that the City not grant a Use Permit for this project.

Mr. Mark E. Gustoff



Chandler
Fashion Mall



"Jerry Morrison"
<jerry@maximumhomes.net>

05/21/2007 11:13 AM

To <jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov>

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Subject SVK Religious & Cultural Center

To: Jodie Novak Senior City Planner

From: Jerry Morrison

Subject: SVK Center

Jodie

I will not be able to attend the second neighborhood meeting addressing the proposed SVK Center to be located on the southwest corner of Dobson and Galveston. I want to voice my opposition to the modified plan which is being proposed. My main concerns are still the ingress and egress to the propose site and the height of the building. Galveston Street is already over loaded with thru traffic looking for a short cut to the 101 and the shopping malls. With the addition of the Wholefoods shopping center on Coronado, traffic on Galveston will be over whelming. Galveston needs no more traffic. Using Dobson for ingress and egress would create more traffic confusion because of the light at Galveston and the other light at the Post Office along with the bus stop at Galveston. That area of Dobson Rd already has too much going on to be safe Also the sheer size of the proposed building even with the height reductions would not be a good fit for the existing neighborhood. Over all I think that the existing residential use should not be modified and no variance granted.

Jerry Morrison

2402 W. Harrison St

Chandler, AZ 85224

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William James Cullumber
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05/21/2007 08:21 AM

To jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov
cc Mayor&Council@chandleraz.org
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Subject SVK Religious and Cultural Center

To: Jodie Novak ... I live in the neighborhood of this proposed zoning and think it is the wrong usage in the wrong place.

1. Traffic - There are already problems at this intersection due to so many people using Galveston as a short cut to the 101 Freeway.
2. Location - This area is a pocket of large homes and we need to preserve the area with compatible uses.
3. The site is too small for a 7500 sq. ft. building, parking and resulting traffic.
4. This usage should be in an industrial area where the major traffic would be on weekends and evenings and not interfere with the surrounding uses.



Susan Bonville/COC
05/24/2007 04:32 PM

To Jodie Novak/COC@ci.chandler.az.us
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Subject Fw: City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

FYI

----- Forwarded by Susan Bonville/COC on 05/24/2007 04:32 PM -----



ALDUDDING@cs.com
05/24/2007 03:56 PM

To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
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Subject Re: City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

May 24, 2007

Chandler City Council
Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins

Council
Matt Orlando Jeff Weninger
Bob Caccamo Martin Sepulveda
Trinity Donovan

Re: City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

I do not agree with the City of Chandler approving the above proposed building being issued a use permit due to the following issues this religious Cultural Center will create.

1. My property will decrease in value with this religious cultural center for public use being next to my property in lieu of a single-family dwelling.
2. The property located at 590 North Dobson Road is currently zoned for AG-1 and this proposed building is outside of the AG-1 (Agricultural District) zone limits. The building will be used for more than a one-single family residence dwelling as this religious cultural center will be used as a public meeting house for those of their faith with meetings being held everyday. Also, the proposed building height is a forty-three (43) feet height and AG-1 maximum height limit is thirty-five (35) feet in height.
3. The property has a proposed emergency entrance onto Galveston Street. Galveston is a residential Roadway and having this entrance will create a safely hazard, plus the proposed building will create congested driving on Galveston and added driving congestion on Dobson three times a day. This building has been proposed to the neighborhood as being used daily for meetings and other activities, which will create additional traffic for the neighborhood and me. The owners of the building informed the neighborhood that their members will not use Galveston going east or west to or from the Building, but they will use Dobson Road instead. I do not believe this, as they cannot guarantee 100% this statement to be true as nobody has total control over what roads are utilized.
4. I have an issue with the 6' masonry exterior fence being placed directly on the property line along Galveston as it will block my East side front property view that I have enjoyed for over 32 years. This will be an eye sore to my property

and again will decrease the value of my property.

5. The noise level will be an issue with the proposed building usage. There will be more traffic noise, public, noise and any activities that are outside, creating a noise level that will disrupt my quiet location more than any one-single-family dwelling will produce.

Again, I do not agree with the City of Chandler approving a use permit to be issued to the Owner of the property at 590 North Dobson Road for public use within an AG-1 residential neighborhood. Thank you for your time in considering my concerns and issues.

Sincerely,

Laree Dudding

2041 West Galveston Street

Chandler, AZ 85224



"Bill Williams"
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05/25/2007 09:15 AM

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To <jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov>

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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious and Cultural Center

History:  This message has been replied to.

Jodie, I live two house down from this proposed center. Although no one ever wants such a facility next door to their own house, I know and willingly accept that this organization has the same rights as others. My question is simple, I think. Does the present zoning allow for this facility on the corner of Galveston and Dobson, or are they seeking to get the parcel rezoned? If the present zoning allows for it, my opinion is that it should be approved. I assume the neighborhood meetings are therefore serve just to get input on details and try to appease neighbors on such things as the ingress and egress access locations. If rezoning is requested, this is a different matter altogether. I will not oppose their legal use of present zoning, but I'm not in favor of allowing the parcel to be rezoned.

I will appreciate your comments on this issue.

Sincerely,

Bill Williams
2101 W. Galveston St.
Chandler, AZ 85224
Cell Phone 480-567-5183



ALDUDDING@cs.com
05/23/2007 11:21 AM

To jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov
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Subject property on 590 N. Dobson

Jodie,

I am using another e-mail address that is working.

As a follow up on City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087, SVK Religious & Cultural Center, I still do not agree with the proposal for 590 N. Dobson. As I have stated before my reasons are, traffic congestion, devaluation of surrounding properties, and it is not appropriate for the area that is for single family dwellings that have been there for years. I myself have lived here for 32 years, enjoying the small country family situation. As the taxes on our property keep rising, we have to make sure that our property retains its value at all times. It seems like the present owners of 590 N. Dobson, with this proposal are not considering our feeling about our properties.

In answer to the article that we were all sent dated April 15, 2007 from the Tribune, "If we wanted veto power over what goes on to this acre of land, then we should have purchased it ourselves: there wasn't a "For Sale" sign posted, and the previous owner finally told me it was sold after the transaction was made. No one else knew about the sale of the property. I really do not appreciate this organization intimidating us about what CAN be done, what we SHOULD have done, and what WILL BE DONE against our concerns regarding their property.

Objections are: no entrance, emergency or whatever on Galveston, and the height of the building is not following Article 1V.Ag-1-Agricultural Distrit, maximum height of thirty-five (35) feet.

This property is not being utilized for what it is zoned for. If it is a single family dwelling, then a single-family dwelling should be built separate from the Temple. Churches and Temples do not have people living in them.

As property owners, we should be talking to the owners of 590 N. Dobson instead of just the congregation who do not own the property and have nothing to lose. We have asked questions of the congregation, and they could not answer them because they were not the owners, as the owners were absent from the meeting. We would appreciate the city taking into consideration our viewpoint being long time memers of the community.

Thank you,
Laree Dudding
2041 W. Galveston
Chanlder, AZ 85224



"Christy Quick"
<christyaz@cox.net>
05/22/2007 02:18 PM

To <jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov>
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Subject Proposed Hindu Tempe / Dobson & Galveston Streets

I plan to attend the 2nd meeting regarding the above project on May 30th. However, I wanted to directly express to you our concern and distress over this project.

We live at 2402 W. Galveston Street. We purchased this home knowing it was a residential community and zoned as such (i.e., no businesses or other non-residential buildings). We have two small children (a 3 year old and a 5 month old). We already experience a high amount of traffic on our street. We routinely call the City of Chandler police department to help control the high volume and speed of the traffickers. We believe that a project such as this will only worsen the situation and change the dynamic of our neighborhood.

We implore you to REJECT the request for the request for a religious and cultural center at the corner of Dobson & Galveston Streets.



"THOMAS HORNYAN"
<twhorny@msn.com>
05/04/2007 02:26 PM

To <jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov>
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Subject SVK Religious and Cultural Center

Jodie,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak about the SVK Religious and Cultural Center proposed for the southwest corner of Dobson and Galveston. My opposition to this proposal, like all of the residences of this unique area, is not racially or religiously motivated but rather a preservation of the integrity of the life style we have developed and nurtured. This small neighborhood is one of a few vestiges that allows for a sense of rural living complete with the privileges of an agricultural environment. The distinctive atmosphere provides a serene, peaceful, and stress free life style we so desperately are all seeking. To allow any structure whether it is a WALMART, CIRCLE K or CHEVRON gas station would violate the history and charm of this locality.

I have been a resident of Chandler for 26 years. For the first 20 years I lived in peace and quiet on Price Rd and the Western canal. My serenity was disrupted by the construction of the Loop 101. I moved to this special neighborhood to gain back that serenity and lifestyle. To allow the decay of a exceptional piece of Chandler's residential setting by further encroachment of commercial type structures goes against all of the city's unique agricultural heritage. The charm of this neighbor is what makes living in Chandler special.

My motive is simple, preservation of the integrity of the life style we enjoy in this small neighborhood. If you go against the wishes of the people who elected you, you are fostering the same destruction of an agricultural residential environment that is so apparent on Southwest section of Dobson and Elliot.

Sincerely,
Thomas Hornyan
2191 W. Galveston



Susan Bonville/COC
04/26/2007 02:55 PM

To Jodie Novak/COC@ci.chandler.az.us
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Subject Fw: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

FYI

--- Forwarded by Susan Bonville/COC on 04/26/2007 02:55 PM ---



"John Makarchuk"
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04/26/2007 02:13 PM

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Please respond to
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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Mayor and City Council

The property in question has deed restrictions prohibiting any use other than residential. The neighbors of which I am one (2281 West Galveston St) are completely against any change in use. The general plan of the city issued in 2001 clearly shows that these properties are to remain residential. I recently attended a "neighborhood meeting" and along with the neighbors reviewed the submittals provided by the applicants.

Clearly this is not a residential use so why are these people continuing to pursue this project.

Why has the P&Z withheld recommendations as to the support of this project.

At the very minimum, I would like to go on the record to say that I am totally against this and any use of the land if it is not residential and does not meet with the approval of the architectural committee.

Thanks you your time
John Makarchuk



Raghu
<rhnanandan@yahoo.com>
04/25/2007 12:23 PM

To Jodie Novak <Jodie.Novak@chandleraz.gov>
cc Kiran Kumar <kvkumar678@yahoo.com>, Zamir
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Subject Fwd: Re: Meeting Notes for Apr 10th Neighborhood Meeting
- SVK Center at 590 Dobosn

Jodie, FYI.

Niecer2226@aol.com wrote:

From: Niecer2226@aol.com

Date: Wed, 25 Apr 2007 01:45:28 EDT

Subject: Re: Meeting Notes for Apr 10th Neighborhood Meeting - SVK Center at 590 Dobosn

To: rhnanandan@yahoo.com

Thank you for providing us with these meeting minutes. I am truly sorry for how some of my neighbors reacted in this meeting. I hope that if they read this they will see that they are not acting for the "good of all".

Please keep me posted.

Thanks again and good luck with your endeavor.

Denise Phillips

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Raghu
<rhnanandan@yahoo.com>
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To Jodie Novak <Jodie.Novak@chandleraz.gov>
cc Kiran Kumar <kvkumar678@yahoo.com>, Zamir
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Subject FYI - Fwd: Re: Meeting Notes for Apr 10th Neighborhood
Meeting - SVK Center at 590 Dobosn

Jodie, FYI.

scott taylor <scotay25@yahoo.com> wrote:

Date: Wed, 25 Apr 2007 09:10:14 -0700 (PDT)

From: scott taylor <scotay25@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Meeting Notes for Apr 10th Neighborhood Meeting - SVK Center at 590 Dobosn

To: Raghu <rhnanandan@yahoo.com>

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Melanie Sala-Friedrichs/COC

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To

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Subject Emails opposing the Hindu Church on Dobson

--- Forwarded by Melanie Sala-Friedrichs/COC on 04/25/2007 11:08 AM ---



"Madeline"

<madsmailbox@yahoo.com>

04/20/2007 03:13 PM

To <Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov>

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Subject Building church on Dobson

Hello. I want to register my discontent with a proposed zoning change in the area of Galveston and Dobson. I hope I am emailing the right person! I have spoken with Jodi, a city planning staff member.

I was unable to attend the first neighborhood meeting but I would like to be sure I file my concerns. And hopefully, have them addressed by the owner of that property. Jodi has updated me on the phone about the meeting.

I believe rezoning a residential parcel in this beautiful historic area would set a precedent for other churches, multi-family dwellings or businesses to buy up land all the way down Galveston and have zoning changed. I feel this would RUIN our beautiful mile. AND our property values.

For most of us, our homes are our largest investment. And source of joy.

I bought a home in this area, in La Glorieta, with hopes of living into my retirement in one of the last quiet, semi-rural areas of Chandler. I would be unhappy to see a large ornate church with multiple people/families dwelling in the residence, affecting traffic, and possibly leading the way for MORE rezoning to ruin my investment and my happiness with this gorgeous neighborhood, as well as the Homestead.

I do not think the HEIGHT of the building would fit this area's plan.

I do not believe the EVENTS and cars and increase in strangers in this mile would be a good thing for those of who have purchased here and live here.

I am in opposition of the garish ornate building design!!

The area ACROSS THE STREET is NOT residential. Medical buildings and churches on THAT side fit with the design of the city in that area where there are not residences! THIS side IS residential. The availability of building on a full acre is a nice way to preserve SOME of the historic, rural, and aesthetic feel of these neighborhoods on THIS side of Dobson. I don't think ANY business should operate on that parcel. It is meant to be a residence on an acre!

I would not be happy with a dwelling in my neighborhood that is housing for multiple "families" or groups—that is, the priests of this church and ?? their families? I don't think multiple family dwellings of any type add to neighborhood value??

The traffic and the amount of strangers coming and going in the neighborhood would be disconcerting in a

quiet residential area!

I beg the city council to listen to me and my neighbors and think hard before allowing a zoning change that could open the door to a real sad change in this neighborhood.

I know Chandler is growing, and so far, we have done a great job.. but PLEASE preserve my neighborhood. I don't want to have to move ever again and I feel a rezoning of that property will send us all the message that the city council is willing to let anything at all come in on Galveston and change th feel and value of our nieghborhoods here.

thank you for listening.
MADELINE AND KEN KASIAN
LA GLORIETA #60
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Subject Fwd: Re: Wrong place for a Hindu Temple

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Berggrent@aol.com

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To matt.orlando@chandleraz.gov

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Subject City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Center

We are concerned about the proposal by the SVK Religious and Cultural Center to build at 590 North Dobson. After having attended the neighborhood meeting on April 10, 2007, we are convinced that the Dobson location is not appropriate for this center. We are opposed to any change in the nature of our neighborhood. Almost any non-residential development will bring traffic, congestion, and other problems that we cannot deal with.

One of the architectural elements would be 48 feet tall, the available parking spaces would be inadequate for the number of visitors expected, and the parking lot would have access from Galveston Street, which is otherwise entirely residential. The center proposes to feed its visitors which means a large amount of refuse.

The SVK representatives at the meeting indicated that financing and building will be incremental, i.e., that clearing of the property and construction will occur as private finances allow. This opens the possibility of a failed project, such as the condominium project near Chandler Fashion Center, or a continual state of disruption to the neighborhood as additions are built over a number of years.

For months the current owner of the property failed to maintain it in good order, despite allegedly having been cited by the city, until many neighbors at the April 10 meeting expressed their dismay at the general condition of the property. Past performance is a good indicator of future behavior. Those who want to build on that site have no ties to our neighborhood and evidently do not understand that we do not appreciate a high profile intrusion to the bedroom community here. There must be many other more suitable sites for a religious and cultural center than in a quiet residential neighborhood.

It is respectfully requested that the City not grant a Use Permit for this project.

Pam and Tommy Berggren
P. O. Box 6734
Chandler, AZ 85246-6734

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04/25/2007 09:37 AM

To jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov

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Subject City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Religious and Cultural Center

We are concerned about the proposal by the SVK Religious and Cultural Center to build at 590 North Dobson. After having attended the neighborhood meeting on April 10, 2007, we are convinced that the Dobson location is not appropriate for this center. We are opposed to any change in the nature of our neighborhood. Almost any non-residential development will bring traffic, congestion, and other problems that we cannot deal with.

One of the architectural elements would be 48 feet tall, the available parking spaces would be inadequate for the number of visitors expected, and the parking lot would have access from Galveston Street, which is otherwise entirely residential. The center proposes to feed its visitors which means a large amount of refuse.

The SVK representatives at the meeting indicated that financing and building will be incremental, i.e., that clearing of the property and construction will occur as private finances allow. This opens the possibility of a failed project, such as the condominium project near Chandler Fashion Center, or a continual state of disruption to the neighborhood as additions are built over a number of years.

For months the current owner of the property failed to maintain it in good order, despite allegedly having been cited by the city, until many neighbors at the April 10 meeting expressed their dismay at the general condition of the property. Past performance is a good indicator of future behavior. Those who want to build on that site have no ties to our neighborhood and evidently do not understand that we do not appreciate a high profile intrusion to the bedroom community here. There must be many other more suitable sites for a religious and cultural center than in a quiet residential neighborhood.

It is respectfully requested that the City not grant a Use Permit for this project.

Pam and Tommy Berggren
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Chandler, AZ 85246-6734

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Dean Ellsworth
<Dean@EllsworthPublishing.com>

04/25/2007 09:02 AM

To jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov

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Subject SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Ms Novak,

I am a life-long resident of Chandler. In 1973, I and four others who all grew up in Chandler, purchased 10 acres along the South side of Galveston Road from John Openshaw. At that time the property was in the county and we retained the agricultural zoning. In 1985 we agreed to be annexed into Chandler along with the Andersen Springs development, with the understanding we would keep our zoning.

I have two major concerns over the proposed SVK Religious & Cultural Center. First, should zoning be changed to allow the Center, I am afraid of the domino effect it could possibly have on the rest of us. Secondly is the issue of increased traffic. Since the Center is right next to Dobson Road and the exits from their proposed parking lots are on Galveston and within feet of Dobson, any vehicular traffic leaving the Center would immediately be stopped by the traffic light at the intersection. Even now, turning left onto Dobson or proceeding straight through the intersection is an exercise in patience.

I hope the above concerns are given due consideration during discussions on the Center.

Respectfully,

Dean Ellsworth
2111 W. Galveston
963-6428

April 23, 2007

City of Chandler
Jodie Novak
Senior City Planner
125 East Commonwealth Avenue
Chandler Arizona

Re: City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

I do not agree with the City of Chandler approving the above proposed building being issued a use permit due to the following issues this religious Cultural Center will create:

1. My property will decrease in value with this religious cultural center for public use being next to my property in lieu of a single family dwelling.
2. The property located at 590 North Dobson Road is currently zoned for AG-1 and this proposed building is outside of the AG-1 (Agricultural District) zone limits. The building will be used for more than a one-single family residence dwelling as this religious cultural center will be used as a public meeting house for those of their faith with meetings being held everyday. Also, the proposed building height is at forty-five (45) feet height and AG-1 zone maximum height limit is thirty-five (35) feet in height.
3. The property has a proposed driveway entrance/exit onto Galveston Street for their members to use. Galveston is a residential roadway and having this driveway entrance/exit on Galveston will create a safety hazard when I leave or return to my home on Galveston. This building has been proposed to the neighborhood as being used daily for meetings and other activities, which will create additional traffic for me and the neighborhood. The neighborhood was informed by the Owners of the building that their members will not use Galveston going East or West to or from the building, but they will use Dobson Road instead. I do not believe this as they cannot guarantee 100% this statement to be true as nobody has total control over what roads are utilized.
4. I have an issue with the 6' masonry exterior fence being placed directly on the property line along Galveston as it will block my East side front property view that I have enjoyed for over 30 years. This will be an eye sore to my property and again will decrease the value of my property.
5. The noise level will be an issue with the proposed building usage. There will be more vehicle traffic noise, public noise and any activities that are outside, creating a noise level that will disrupt my quiet location more than any one-single family resident dwelling will produce.

Again, I do not agree with the City of Chandler approving a use permit to be issued to the Owner of the property at 509 North Dobson Road for public use within an AG-1 residential neighborhood. Thank you for your time in considering my concerns and issues.

Sincerely,

Larry Audding
2041 W. Galveston
Chandler, AZ 85224

480 967-3190
laudding@cs.com



"Doug Roy"
<doughilda@cox.net>
04/15/2007 01:48 PM

To <Jodie.Novak@chandleraz.gov>
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Subject SVK Religious and Cultural Center -Galveston and Dobson
Road

Dear Ms. Novak,

My name is Hilda Roy. I have lived in Chandler for the last 23 years. The purpose of this letter is to formally oppose the construction of the SVK Religious and Cultural Center in our neighborhood. Before moving to the Galveston/Dobson area 14 years ago, we were attracted by the stability of the neighborhood and its peacefulness.

In our neighborhood, city signs announce to visitors that this is a bike friendly neighborhood. Many students from Andersen and Seton Catholic High School use the neighborhood to train for track. They run from the school to the retention basin and back to school. Some law enforcement groups also run in the area for training purposes. After holidays, it is also precious to observe multi-generations of families going out for a walk. Why would you allow this to change?

This lot is in a one of a kind residential area. A temple like this will bring way too much traffic to the neighborhood. There are plenty of non-residential areas still available in Chandler that can accommodate a temple. I am extremely familiar with the Hindu faith, and gatherings are no small deal. I have no doubt that such a Center will bring lots of traffic along Galveston. Cars will be parked along Galveston because the Center parking lot will not be able to accommodate the visitors.

The available lot could accommodate luxury condos like the Pueblo condos at Andersen Springs, or a cluster of nice houses like the ones currently under development on Coronado St. and Galveston. I really hope that the City doesn't do what Mesa did. I hope that they don't focus the growth in South Chandler and let the North side of the city deteriorate, by not being selective as to what is being built in the old neighborhoods.

I strongly oppose the construction of the Center in this residential area.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Hilda Roy

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Subject SVK Religious and Cultural Center

To: Jodie Novak
From: Doug Roy
2401 W. Harrison St
Chandler, AZ 85224
Subject: SVK Religious and Cultural Center

Dear Jodie,

I've been a resident of Chandler for 23 years, and a resident on W. Harrison for the last 14 years. In all that time, I've never made a complaint or argued against a zoning proposal. However, I do take strong issue and opposition to the proposed zoning change and project at the corner of Galveston/Dobson for the SVK Religious and Cultural Center. This is a residential community, that my family enjoys being a part of. It has space, parks, bike paths and limited traffic. The residents of the community are families that have lived and contributed to Chandler in many ways over decades. It is an older, established neighborhood as you know. There is not a lot of homeowner turnover. It is a unique community in Chandler, and the entire valley for that matter.

The planned project I refer to will impact all of this I believe. It doesn't fit in a residential community. It doesn't fit aesthetically. It doesn't fit from a traffic standpoint. It doesn't fit from a pedestrian standpoint. There are many, many vacant lots in Chandler that this project would fit into. I drive by them all the time. They are zoned for such a project and have the space for such a project. It's absolutely crazy to squeeze this project into a small lot in a residential community. It will impact our lives and lower home values.

I strongly oppose the project, and I encourage you to stop the effort and recommend alternative locations.

Sincerely, Doug Roy



"John Makarchuk"
<johnmakarchuk@qwest.net>

To <jodie.novak@ci.chandler.az.us>

04/12/2007 11:03 AM

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Subject SVK Religious and Cultural Center

Jodie

I have attended the neighborhood meeting on April 10, 2007 and I want to express my objection to this project. I have some questions regarding the project which I hope you may be able to clarify.

1) Is the Planning and Zoning dept supporting this change in use?

2) The Deed Restrictions are quite specific as to the use of the property as residential. Why and how can this be circumvented

without consent of the majority of the homeowners?

3) Assuming that the city has given its support to this project, why would the city support this group who has since its purchase of the property in 2005

lack of watering or has cut them down

a) allowed all the plants on the property to die from

b) not had water delivered since they have purchased

lack of maintenance.

c) allowed the buildings to become rundown due to

eyesore

d) allowed the decorative wagon wheels to deteriorate

e) allowed the property as a whole to become an

on the property

f) received numerous complaints for weeds and garbage

almost a year

g) has left garbage sitting in the driveway for

h) never contacted the existing homeowners as to



"Terry Biagi"
<tbiagi@cox.net>
04/11/2007 10:25 PM

To <jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov>
cc "Lauren Biagi" <lbiagi@cox.net>, "Michelle Biagi"
<Mmbiagi@cox.net>, "Mike Rather" <mrather@yahoo.com>
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Subject SVJ Religious & Cultural Center Case No. UP06-0087

History:  This message has been replied to and forwarded.

Date: April 11, 2007

To: Jodie Novak, Senior City Planner

From: Terry and Rosa Biagi

Re: City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVJ Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Ms. Novak;

As residents in the community of La Glorieta, we would like to express our concerns regarding the proposed development of 590 North Dobson Road.

After attending the neighborhood meeting on April 10, 2007, we find the request for a use permit zoning application not to be in the best interest of the existing area residents for the following reasons:

1. The area west of Dobson Road is zoned as residential and is exclusively single family residences. The proposed structure, which would not be permitted without a variance to this long standing zoning ordinance, is not acceptable to us. Many homeowners made the decision to buy in this area for its quiet, low density appeal.
2. Regardless of the projected visitor flow and traffic impact, it will add greatly to what we are currently experiencing and overflow parking onto Galveston Road will inevitably be an issue.
3. The architectural theme of the proposed structure does not blend well with the existing neighborhood environment and the overall height of the building is objectionable.

We would like to see this development completed on another property that is better suited and zoned accordingly.

Thank you for allowing us to express our concerns.

Sincerely,

The Biagi Family
700 N. Dobson Road, House #42
Chandler, AZ 85224



<jamesmowbray@cox.net>

04/09/2007 02:32 PM

To jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov

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Subject City zoning case No UP06-0087

Ms. Novak,

I learned only a few days ago from a neighbor of the proposed redevelopment of the property at 590 N. Dobson Road. Since it is located close to my residence, I would like to offer a few thoughts for your consideration.

I would be opposed to a Use Permit for this location that is currently zoned AG1 for several reasons:

- 1) To keep, maintain, and enhance the integrity of residential living that already exists on Galveston Street.
- 2) To recognize that the current use provides the best buffer between residential living and any possible non-residential development.
- 3) to respect the rights of individuals who bought their property knowing they had AG1 zoning adjacent to and enhancing their property.
- 4) To prevent depriving current homeowners of their vested interests in their residence.

Maintaining the current status will preserve and enhance buffering, protection of land values, and quality of life for quiet enjoyment and privacy for current homeowners.

I am concerned the scale and mass of the project are not in line with current and historical uses along Galveston Street, not only as it relates to the current project, but potential future projects along the southern edge of Galveston Street with the adjacent lots that are also zoned AG1.

The ingress and egress from the proposed projects are not from Dobson Road, but from Galveston Street, which would have a major impact on traffic flow, speeding, noise, and loss of privacy to those whose property fronts Galveston Street.

There is no information about lighting to be used at night, or evening or night time activities that could be anticipated.

I apologize for not making these points available sooner, but as previously explained, it was only in the last few days this project was brought to my attention.

Warmest regards,

Dr. James Mowbray
700 N. Dobson Rd., #51
Chandler, AZ 85224
480-301-5272
e-mail: jamesmowbray@cox.net

Melanie Sala-Friedrichs/COC
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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

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To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
cc
Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Respected Mayor Boyd W. Dunn,

I support the request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson road, chandler , AZ 85224 . A place of worship in chandler will help the Chandler Hindu community to have the religious and cultural activities .

Sincerely,

Ashok Dakshinamurthy ,
3600 W Ray road, # 2008 ,
Chandler, 85226.

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To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
cc kvkumar678@yahoo.com
Subject Subject: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Respected Mayor,

I'm a resident of Chandler City and I would like to express my strongest support to use permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road , Chandler AZ 85224 .

This will serve Chandler 's Hindu community and help to promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar sight in the City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone.

Sincerely,

Seethalakshmi Sankaran (Mythili)
Ram Sankarasubramanian (Ramesh)

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Chandler, 85224

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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

To

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
Councilmember Bob Caccamo
Councilmember Trinity Donovan
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Martin Sepulveda
Councilmember Jeff Weninger

Respected Council

As a resident of Chandler city, I would like to express, my strong support to allow the construction of SVK Religious & Cultural Center at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224.

It will be a great place for residents to pursue religious interests, yoga and meditation which promotes peace and health to the community.

Regards,
Venkata K Kasturi
2006,900 N Rural Rd,
Chandler, AZ 85226.

Regards,
V.K.Kasturi.
602-308-5189 (W)
602-373-4261 (C)

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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

To

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
Councilmember Bob Caccamo
Councilmember Trinity Donovan
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Martin Sepulveda
Councilmember Jeff Weninger

I, Aheesh Bharadwaj proud resident of chandler city happy to know that hindu temple project is underway and want to express my sincere support to the use permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224. This will help Chandler's hindu community to have a place of worship within vicinity and help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar sight in the City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone.

Sincerrly,

Aheesh Bharadwaj
3600, W Ray Road Apt #2056
Chandler AZ - 85226

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To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Respected Mayor, Vice Mayor and Councilmembers,

We write this note to you as a request that the Hindu temple proposed at 590 Dobson Rd in Chandler be given the necessary permits to build the place of worship for us. As residents of the city of Chandler, we love the diversity that Chandler offers and would like to support the proposed temple that will serve our Hindu community.

With Best Regards,

Vikas and Divya Wadhvani
411 W Musket Pl
Chandler AZ 85248

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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

To

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
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Councilmember Jeff Weninger

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Sincerely,
Mitesh

3600 W Ray Road
Chandler, 85226

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Subject Subject: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Mr. Mayor and Council

As a resident of the Chandler city, I strongly support the construction of a Hindu Temple in Chandler at this address

590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224

I strongly believe that this temple would serve the residence a good place of worship and community service and help spread the message of peace and prosperity to people of world.

Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar sight in the City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone.

I am sending this message on behalf of me and my family members (My Father, Mother, Wife and Son).

Thanks for reading this message and considering my support to the construction of the Temple

Sincerely,

Our address:
610 S Emerson St
(SE corner of Alma School and Frye)
Chandler, AZ 85225

Regards,
Arvind Kulkarni
Padmaja Kulkarni
Abhishek Kulkarni
Arathi Kulkarni

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Subject SVK Cultural & Religious Center at Dobson & Galveston

Honorable Mayor & Council members of City of Chandler,

As a citizen of this great country where cultural diversity is one of the main pillars of the democracy, I would like to make this request to the members of Chandler City council. We believe in the diversity of people and religion & do attach great importance for people of different faiths. Living in a far away country it is very important for the thousands of Hindu Indian families to have a place they call their own to follow their faith.

As a follower of Hindu religion and philosophy this proposed place of worship will give me and my family members a place to worship and congregate regularly. Needless to say faith does play an important role in our lives and this place of worship will provide us the much needed avenue to practice my faith.

It is my sincere request to this City Council to approve the proposed place of worship (SVK Cultural & Religious Center) at the intersection of Dobson & Galveston.

Yours sincerely
Shridhar Channagiri
73 W Shamrock St
Gilbert, AZ, 85233

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To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Respected Mayor and all the Council Members,

I am a proud resident of the city of Chandler.

We strongly believe in "Unity in Diversity". We have been living in the valley for the past 11 years. We have seen the Indian community grow and become part of the local community over these many years. We have seen the need for a common place to worship and introduce our rich culture not only to our kids but also to our American friends. The proposed place of worship at 590 Dobson Road; we strongly believe will help the whole community in achieving many many Chandler's residents long standing wish and the need. I along with my family and friends here by request you and all the concerend city officials to kindly allow for this place of worship to come up.



"Venkatesh Patil"
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To mayor&council@chandleraz.gov
cc kvkumar678@yahoo.com
Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Mr. Dunn and honorable city council members,

I am a naturalized US citizen and have been a resident of Chandler for more than 10 years. As a member of the growing hindu community in chandler, my family and I wished to have a place where we could worship and pass on the cultural heritage to our children. Hence, I want to express my strong support to the use permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224. The place of worship will serve Chandler's Hindu community and help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar sight in the City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone.

Sincerely,

Venkatesh Patil
5328 W Buffalo Place
Chandler , 85226

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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Mr. Mayor and Honorable council members,

As a US citizen and resident of east valley I want to express my strong support to the use permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224. The place of worship will serve Chandler's Hindu community and help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar sight in the City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone.

Sincerely,

**Vijayalakshmi v Patil
7832 S Maple Ave,
Tempe, Az, 85284**

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Sharada Rao
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To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov

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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
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Sincerely,

Sharada Rao
2419 W. Megan St.
Chandler, 85224

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Chandler, 85224

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Raghu
<rhnanandan@yahoo.com>
06/05/2007 11:00 PM

To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
cc

Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Office of the Mayor & City Council
Mail Stop 603
P.O. Box 4008
Chandler, AZ 85244-4008

June 5, 2007

To:

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
Councilmember Bob Caccamo
Councilmember Trinity Donovan
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Martin Sepulveda
Councilmember Jeff Weninger

Subject: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

As a resident of Chandler City & US citizen, I want to express my strong support to the use permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224. The place of worship will serve Chandler's Hindu community and help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar sight in the City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone.

Sincerely,

Raghu
5600 W Park Ave
Chandler, AZ 85226

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"ramakrishna"
<ramakrishna@cox.net>
06/06/2007 06:19 AM

To <Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov>
cc

Subject Regarding the project : UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Regarding the project : UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Dear Chandler city council members,

Me and my family have resided in Chandler for the past 22 years. We are proud to be part of a great community that has nurtured us and offered a wonderful environment to raise our children. We are especially grateful that Chandler is a city that respects diversity and even thrives on the technical and cultural contributions of folks from diverse backgrounds who have chosen to make it their home. Myself and my wife are professors at ASU and Chandler Gilbert Community college respectively and have also been very involved in issues of excellence and equity in Chandler school especially by working in partnership with the school district administrators, Intel and others on raising the quality of science education for all.

As a US citizen and resident of Chandler City and one who is of Hindu faith, I hereby express my family's strongest support for the request of a use permit to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224. We have worked with the city officials and the surrounding community to make sure

that all the rules and regulations are followed and that it will be a good neighbor. The place of worship will serve Chandler's Hindu community and help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Chandler city, on many previous occasions, has granted that a place of worship can be in AG-1 zone, as it is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone. I hereby request you all- the Mayor Boyd Dunn, vice Mayor Lowell Higgins and Council members Bob Caccamo, Trinity Donovan, Matt Orlando, Martin Sepulveda, and Jeff Weninger to support this project enthusiastically.

Sincerely,

Dr B.L. Ramakrishna and
Pushpa Ramakrishna

5043, W. Harrison Street
Chandler, Az 85226

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avinash sonavane
<avinash_sonavane@yahoo
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To mayor&council@chandleraz.gov

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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

To

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
Councilmember Bob Caccamo
Councilmember Trinity Donovan
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Martin Sepulveda
Councilmember Jeff Weninger

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Sincerely,

Avinash Sonavane
4909 W.Joshua Blvd
Chandler, 85226

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"Raghavendra Rao"
<raghu_arathi@hotmail.com>
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To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
cc kvkumar678@yahoo.com
Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

To

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
Councilmember Bob Caccamo
Councilmember Trinity Donovan
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Martin Sepulveda
Councilmember Jeff Weninger

Subject: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

I have come to know about the permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224. The place of worship will serve Chandler's Hindu community and help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City. Place of worship in AG-1 zone is a familiar in chandler City and is one of the permitted uses for the AG-1 zone. As a US citizen and resident of Chandler City over 14 years, I want to express strong support to the use permit request mentioned above.

Sincerely,

Raghavendra Rao
4829 W Erie Street
Chandler, 85226

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Balaji
<balajishadri@yahoo.com>
06/06/2007 08:28 AM

Please respond to
balajishadri@yahoo.com

To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
cc
Subject SVK Religious & Cultural Center - Use Permit UP06-0087

Dear Mayor & Council members :

I understand that the above mentioned Use Permit application is coming up for a discussion/vote at our city council hearing.

As a lawful resident of Chandler for the past 4 years & of Phoenix for the last 8 years and a practicing Hindu, Im pretty sure that this place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler, AZ 85224 will serve the long standing needs of the city's Hindu community, in addition to promoting cultural & religious diversity.

Having seen places of worship in several AG-1 designated zones, I strongly urge the council to permit this center at the above address.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Balaji Seshadri
2053 W. Megan St
Chandler, AZ - 85224

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Melanie Sala-Friedrichs/COC
06/06/2007 09:57 AM

To Jodie Novak/COC@ci.chandler.az.us, Doug
Ballard/COC@ci.chandler.az.us
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Subject Fw: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

----- Forwarded by Melanie Sala-Friedrichs/COC on 06/06/2007 09:57 AM -----



"Vidyanath Tirumala"
<vidyanath@azasrs.gov>
06/06/2007 08:57 AM

To <Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov>
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Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

To

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
Councilmember Bob Caccamo
Councilmember Trinity Donovan
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Martin Sepulveda
Councilmember Jeff Weninger

Respected Council

As a resident of Chandler city, I would like to express to you, my strong support to allow the construction of SVK Religious & Cultural Center at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224. The Hindu place of worship will be one of its kind in and around the Chandler area. Apart from adding to the diversity of city, it will be a great place for residents like me to persue my religious interests as well as educational endeavors such as ancient *Vedic studies* , *Yoga* and *Meditation* . I will be grateful to the city for permitting this.

Sincerely,

Vidyanath P Tirumala
2109, W. WildHorse Drive
Chandler, AZ 85248
Phone: 602-240-5348



ALDUDDING@cs.com
06/01/2007 11:22 AM

To Jodie.Novak@chandleraz.gov
cc
bcc

Subject Re: City Zoning Case No. UP06-0087 SVK Religious &
Cultural Center

History:  This message has been replied to and forwarded.

Dear Jodie,

After having attended the neighborhood meeting on May 30th, I was very disappointed about it not being any different than from the previous meeting on April 10th. The same questions were asked, and the same answers were given. We didn't find out anything different than what was in the letter stating the changes. Many times they evaded the questions we asked, and they talked about something else instead of answering our questions. We talked about the changes they had made in the design and entrances of the property, and we still do not like any of the proposals. It comes down to no exit or entrances on Galveston, the height of the building at its highest, and it will be built in a residential neighborhood.

As neighborhood members, we do not want the SVK Religious & Cultural Center built at 590 North Dobson Road because it is not a single-family dwelling to be used just for a single-family. I know they are trying to claim it as a single-family dwelling, but it will be used for many people coming and going three times a day, and for large gatherings for about 200 people or more many times a year, and that is not considered a single-family dwelling.

I would like you to please confirm, if it is true, what has been stated at the meeting, that the article dated April 15th from the Tribune entitled, "Churches Have Rights, Too", was sent to the SVK Religious & Cultural Center by the City of Chandler. The article was mailed to everyone who attended the April 10th meeting along with the minutes of that first meeting.

Would you please send me a copy of the sign in sheet for the meeting of May 30th, so we will know for sure who attended from our neighborhood? I also need to know how long each one of us is allowed to talk about this Zoning Case at the June 6th Planning and Zoning Commission. Thank you for all your help. (I'm still using my old e-mail address)

Sincerely,
Laree Dudding
2041 West Galveston Street
Chandler, AZ 85224



"Donna" <d.cosic@cox.net>

06/04/2007 07:45 PM

To <Jodie.Novak@chandleraz.gov>

cc

bcc

Subject SVK Religious Center

Dear Mrs. Novak,

I am a new resident that just bought a home in the Homestead division a year ago. We bought this home for the location and the safety of that neighborhood. My major concern with this SVK Religious Center is the parking I just know that Galveston street will become busier and cars will need to park on the street when events occur which will again pose another danger to children. I do not see why they cannot rent that big empty space that MCI used to be at. It is large enough with plenty of parking. Thank you for taking the time to read our concerns.

Donna Cusic
d.cosic@cox.net



"Don H. Dearth, DC"
<drdearth@qwest.net>
06/04/2007 08:41 PM

To <Jodie.Novak@chandleraz.gov>

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bcc

Subject SVK Religious Center- Southwest Corner Dobson &
Galveston

Dear Ms. Novak,

I am writing to voice my concern for the proposed changes in zoning for the proposed SVK Religious Center. I do not see why the zoning should be changed from single family to some other purpose while the address is on Galveston. The access drives would need to be on Dobson, not Galveston anyway. It is unreasonable to provide the amount of congestion to that intersection with the access drives so close to the intersection, so this is an unreasonable change in zoning. This use for the property although for a peaceful family focused center is inappropriate for this location on this street. We have to oppose the use of this property for a religious center in a single family neighborhood, on a secondary street. This street is our access to our home and has significant traffic now and will only get worse with traffic to and from the Whole Foods as a "short cut". Don and Jan Dearth, 480 N. Benson Lane, Chandler, AZ 85224
480-814-1532

service
Sent by: Susan Bonville
06/04/2007 10:05 AM

To <j22johnson@cox.net>
cc Jodie Novak/COC@ci.chandler.az.us, Doug
Ballard/COC@ci.chandler.az.us
bcc
Subject Re: Planning_Development

Dear Jennifer and Bill,

Thank you for contacting the City of Chandler. The use permit request for the SVK Religious and Cultural Center is on the Agenda for the Planning & Zoning Commission meeting scheduled for June 6th.

Your comments/suggestions will be shared with staff from the Planning Department.

Sincerely,

Susan Bonville
City of Chandler
480-782-2242

<j22johnson@cox.net>



<j22johnson@cox.net>
05/31/2007 07:20 PM

To <service@chandleraz.gov>
cc
Subject Planning_Development

Date/Time is Thursday, May 31, 2007, 7:20:09 PM

Comments = We have a concern about the proposed Hindu Center on the corner of Dobson and Galveston. We've looked at the website for the Hindu center, and learned that they often have gatherings of several hundred people, which would exceed the capacity of the proposed parking lot. We do not want to see overflow parking allowed on Galveston. Perhaps the Hindu center can make an arrangement to use the parking lot for the medical center or the Mormon church directly east of the proposed Hindu Center for overflow parking.

Message_Type = Problem_Complaint,Suggestion

Topic = Planning_Development

Other_Topic = Hindu Center

Location_of_Problem = Southwest corner of Dobson and Galveston

Full_Name = Jennifer Johnson and Bill Forni

Address = 4 N Bullmoose Cir.

City = Chandler

State = AZ

Zip_Code2 = 85224

Daytime_Contact_Phone = 602-459-2214



"Laura Wolfe"
<llwolfe@cox.net>
06/04/2007 11:40 AM

To "Jodie Novak" <jodie.novak@chandleraz.gov>
cc
bcc
Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

Please see the attached letter regarding the above. We will not be able to attend the June 6 meeting and would like for our letter to be in the files of the Planning and Zoning members.

Thank You,

Laura and Philip Wolfe
2318 W. Galveston St.
Chandler, AZ 85224



480-963-0128 SVK - Our letter to Plan. & Zone.doc

June 4, 2007

TO: Jodie Novak, Sr. City Planner
City of Chandler

ATTN: Planning and Zoning Commission
City of Chandler

Re: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center
Southwest corner of Dobson Rd. & Galveston St.
June 6, 2007 Hearing @ 5:30 PM

We have lived at 2318 W. Galveston St. since 1985 and have seen our neighborhood grow immensely over the years. We are unable to attend the above meeting; however, we did attend the first neighborhood meeting. Our residential area is all single family residential homes. In fact, **the entire area on the west side of Dobson Rd. from the southwest corner of Ray & Dobson to the commercial area at the northwest corner of Dobson and Chandler Blvd. is all single family residential properties.**

We are opposed to the use of the property at 590 N. Dobson Rd. for the SVK Religious Center. It is not a single family residential structure and at 7500 sq. ft. with a height of 43 ft., at the highest point, there is **no way it would blend in with the existing neighborhood.** It will **dwarf the home at 2041 W. Galveston St. and others in the immediate area.** We would like to see single family residential on this corner as exists across the street on the northwest corner and in the rest of the neighborhood.

Galveston is already a very busy street. In 2001, a city traffic study showed that 2400 cars a day used our street. It is MUCH busier now. We are also a shortcut to the mall and other shopping on Chandler Blvd. We are also a shortcut to the 101.

At the first neighborhood meeting, we were **told** this church was being built as a **place of worship for approximately 30 families.** Also that, because this church is a different sect from others Hindu churches in surrounding communities, that **it would draw families from Mesa, Tempe, Scottsdale and other cities. This is a very large, expensive church for only 30 families to use.**

Unlike most churches, this **church will have daily traffic.** It also will have, in addition to a prayer hall, a dining hall and classrooms for a school.

We do not feel that the SVK Religious & Cultural Center is an appropriate use of the land at 590 N. Dobson Rd.

Sincerely,

Laura and Philip Wolfe
2318 W. Galveston St.
Chandler, AZ 85224
480-963-0128



Susan Bonville/COC
06/05/2007 04:07 PM

To Jodie Novak/COC@ci.chandler.az.us
cc Doug Ballard/COC@ci.chandler.az.us
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Subject SVK Religious & Cultural Center

FYI

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To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
cc
Subject UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

As a US citizen and resident of East Valley for nearly 14 years I want to express my strong support to the issuance use permit to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224.

There is a huge need for a place of worship for the Hindus in the Metro Phoenix area. The proposed site in Chandler will be a boon all the Hindus of Greater Phoenix and specially so for those residing in the east valley.

We look forward to an early completion of this project which would fulfill a longstanding desire of our community.

Yours sincerely

Ananth Krishnan
429 W Secretariat Dr,
Tempe AZ 85284

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<jayanthi-m@cox.net>
06/04/2007 10:08 PM

To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov
cc
Subject Subject: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

As a US citizen and resident of the east valley for over 14 years I want to express my strong support to the granting of use permit to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road, Chandler AZ 85224.

This has been a long felt desire of Hindu residents of Greater Phoenix area to have their own place of worship. This will serve the Hindu community in the entire metro Phoenix area and help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City.

Sincerely,

M H Jayanthi

429 W Secretariat Dr
Tempe AZ 85284

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Hari Kandadai
<harikandadai@yahoo.com>

06/05/2007 03:56 PM

To Mayor&Council@chandleraz.gov

cc

Subject Proposed Hindu Temple in Chandler

Dear Honorable Chandler Leaders:

Mayor Boyd W. Dunn
Vice Mayor Lowell Huggins
Councilmember Bob Caccamo
Councilmember Trinity Donovan
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Martin Sepulveda
Councilmember Jeff Weninger

Subject: UP06-0087 SVK Religious & Cultural Center

As a US citizen and resident of Chandler City, we have resided in this vibrant city for the past 22 years.

All these years we have yearned for a place of worship for the growing Hindu Community in Chandler that consists of well educated professionals working for Intel, Honeywell, Freescale and the Medical Indian Community

We want to express our strong support for the use permit request to allow a place of worship at 590 Dobson Road , Chandler AZ 85224 .

The place of worship will serve Chandler 's Hindu community and our Children. The Hindu Temple will not only enable us to pass on our tradition to the 2nd generations kids but also help promote religious and cultural diversity in the City.

I humbly request you to approve the 590 Dobson Road , Chandler AZ 85224 lot for the place of worship.

Your's Sincerely,

**Beenu Govind Rao
Hari Kandadai**

**2109 W WildHorse Drive
Chandler, AZ 85248**

June 6, 2007

RE: 590 N Dobson Road / Change of Use

To Whom It May Concern:

Residents who live within our association has been notified by the City of Chandler that a proposed use permit has been filed on behalf of the SVK Religious & Cultural Center (UP06-0087) to use the property as a public religious facility. The majority of residents of Clemens Place (please see the attached document which defines Clemens Place) do not approve of this proposed use and contend that it violates the Declaration of Restrictions dated January 31, 1973 and filed with the Maricopa County Recorder's Office. These restrictions were designed specifically "to be construed as restrictive covenants running with the title to said premises and with each and every part and parcel thereof."

A summary of the pertinent points of the Declaration of Restrictions follows:

Paragraph 1. of the Declaration of Restrictions states: "All of said plots are ***residential plots*** only...". That definition would exclude any commercial or public buildings to be built or operated within the defined boundaries of Clemens Place.

Paragraph 4. Of the Declaration of Restrictions states: "the design, location, and the kind of materials and the buildings to be built on said plot shall be in harmony with existing builds and structures in the immediate vicinity of said subdivision, and said buildings ***shall be governed by all of the restrictions herein set forth***".

Further the Warranty Deed of record states "...all easements, rights of way, encumbrances, liens, covenants, conditions, restrictions, obligations, and liabilities as may appear of record. The undersigned warrants the title against all persons whomsoever, ***subject to the matters above set forth***". As can be noted from the attached Warranty Deed, the current owner of record acknowledged these conditions and restrictions upon the purchase of the property.

Of particular importance paragraph 7 of the Declaration of Restrictions states "the foregoing restrictions and covenants run with the land and shall be binding on all persons owning plots until 1 January 1983, at which time said covenants shall be automatically be extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each, unless by a vote of a majority of the owners of the said plots it is agreed to change the said covenants in whole or in part." The undersigned residents who represent the majority of the owners respectfully request denial of the special use permit.

We believe that the Declaration of Restrictions is binding on all property owners within Clemens Places. If a change of use is granted the residents of Clemens Place and it

affected neighbors reserves the right to retain legal council in an effort to uphold the exiting Declaration of Restrictions.

Respectfully submitted

Residents of Clemens Place:

Signed by 7 of the 9 residents of Clemens Place Committee, June 5, 2007

Tom Hornyan Tom Hornyan
2191 W Galveston

John Makarchuk John Makarchuk
2281 W Galveston

Leonard J. Medeiros Leonard J. Medeiros
2141 W Galveston

Scott & Fawn Taylor Scott Taylor Fawn Taylor
2171 W Galveston

Paul Oliver Paul Oliver
2291 W Galveston

Barbara & Dean Ellsworth Barbara Ellsworth Dean Ellsworth
2111 W Galveston

LaRee Dudding LaRee Dudding
2041 W Galveston

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DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS 02-R MISC.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That portion of the NE $\frac{1}{4}$ of SE $\frac{1}{4}$ of Section 30, Township 1 South, Range 5 East as follows: The North 354.75 feet of Lot D, Clemens Place, situated within the County of Maricopa, State of Arizona, according to the plat of record in the office of the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona, in Book 19 of Maps, page 1, thereof;

To establish the nature of the use and enjoyment thereof, we do hereby declare this plot subject to the following express covenants, stipulations and restrictions as to the use and enjoyment thereof, all of which are to be construed as restrictive covenants running with the title to said premises and with each and every part and parcel thereof, to wit:

1. All of said plots are residential plots only and no dwellings shall be erected having less than 1800 square feet of living area exclusive of open porches, pergolas, or attached carports or garage and must be of new and approved materials. A 30 foot setback from the front lot line must be maintained, with a 10 foot setback on the side lines.
2. No garage or other building whatsoever shall be erected on this property until a dwelling house shall have been erected or until a contract with a reliable and responsible contractor shall be entered into for the construction of a dwelling which shall comply with the restrictions as herein contained. Prior to the erection, or after the erection of such dwelling house, no garage or other outbuildings shall be used for residential purposes; provided, however that this restriction shall not prevent the inclusion of a guest or servant quarters in such garage or other outbuildings.
3. All dwellings used for residential purposes shall install flush toilets, and all bathrooms, toilets or sanitary conveniences shall be inside the buildings permitted hereunder. Until such time as sewers may be available, all bathrooms, toilets and sanitary conveniences shall be connected to septic tanks and cesspools constructed in accordance with requirements and standards of the County and State laws, rules and regulations and in accordance with sound engineering, safety, and health practices.
4. No structures will be commenced or erected on plots until the design and location of such structure and the kind of materials to be used in such structure have been approved in writing, by a committee of 4 persons: John S. Openshaw, Darr Dudding, Garth Paxman, and E. W. "Bill" Ellsworth - Chandler, Arizona, 85224. In event of death, resignation or incapacity of any member of this committee to act, the remaining member or members of such committee are to act in lieu of such deceased, resigned or incapacitated member. Any two of the members of such committee may pass upon such design, location and kind of materials. In the event that there is no committee in existence under either manner of appointment or election or in the event such committee fails to approve or disapprove such design and location, or the kind of materials to be used in such structure within thirty (30) days after written request to do so, such request to be filed with the committee, then such approval of the committee will not be required; provided the design, location, and the kind of materials and the buildings to be built on said plot shall be in harmony with existing buildings and structures in the immediate vicinity in said subdivision, and said buildings shall be governed by all of the restrictions herein set forth.
5. No trailer shall be used for dwelling purposes, except during construction of a permanent dwelling. But in no condition or circumstance, longer than two years. No trailer larger than a camping trailer shall be stored on any plot. If any part of this paragraph is in conflict with the State, County or City regulations, the State, County and City regulations will prevail.
6. Domestic Livestock may be kept and maintained for the use and enjoyment of the owners, provided the plot contains an area over 70,000 square feet. Livestock can be kept and/or maintained for commercial purposes until houses are built on adjacent south forty (40) acres.
7. The foregoing restrictions and covenants run with the land and shall be binding on all persons owning plots until 1 January 1983, at which time said covenants shall be automatically extended for successive periods of ten (10) years each, unless by a vote of a majority of the owners of the said plots it is agreed to change the said covenants in whole or in part.

DECLARATION OF RESTRICTIONS - CONTINUED

8. Deeds of conveyance of said property, or any part thereof, may contain the above restrictions and covenants with reference to this document, but whether or not such reference is made in deeds, or any part thereof each and all of such restrictive covenants shall be valid and binding upon the respective grantees. Violations of any one or more of such covenants may be restrained and enjoined by any court of competent jurisdiction and/or damage awarded against such violations, provided, however, that a violation of these restrictive covenants or any one of them shall not effect the lien of any mortgage now of record, or which hereafter may be placed of record upon said lots, or any part thereof.

9. Invalidation of any of these covenants or restrictions by judgement or court order shall in no way affect any of the other provisions herein which shall remain in full force and effect.

DATED THIS 31st day of JANUARY, 1973

John S Openshaw
Pauline Openshaw
E. Darr Dudding
A. Laree Dudding
Garth Paxman
Betty Paxman
Naomi Ellsworth
E. W. Ellsworth

STATE OF ARIZONA)
) ss
County of Maricopa)

This document was acknowledged before me this 31st day of

January, 1973 by; John S. Openshaw and Pauline Openshaw; E. Darr Dudding and A. Laree Dudding; Garth Paxman and Betty Paxman; E. W. Ellsworth and Naomi Ellsworth.

My commission expires: 11-11-75

Mary Buenkman
Notary Public

STATE OF ARIZONA {
County of Maricopa { ss

I hereby certify that the with in instrument was filed and recorded at request of

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in booklet 10-11-9
on page 554-555

Witness my hand and official seal the day and year aforesaid.

Tina A. M...
County Recorder

Tina A. M...
County Recorder

EXHIBIT "ONE"

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Lot "D", Clemens Place , according to the plat of record in the Office of the County Recorder of Maricopa County, Arizona, recorded in Book 19 of Maps, page 1;

Thence East (assumed bearing) along the Northerly line of said Lot "D" a distance of 149.67 feet to the True Point of Beginning;

Thence continuing East 234.99 feet to the Northeast corner of property described in Instrument recorded at recorders No. 93-053285;

Thence South 0 degrees 34 minutes 15 seconds West along the East line of said property described in Instrument recorded at recorders No. 93-053295, a distance of 354.75 feet to the Southeast corner of said property described in Instrument No. 93-053285;

Thence West being parallel with the said Northerly line of Lot "D", a distance of 384.30 feet, to a point on the Westerly line of Lot "D", a distance of 384.30 feet, to a point on the Westerly line of Lot "D";

Thence North 0 degrees 30 minutes 30 seconds East, along said Westerly line of Lot "D", a distance of 71.75 feet;

Thence East 150 feet;

Thence North 0 degrees 20 minutes 20 seconds, 283.00 feet to the True Point of Beginning.

