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**MEMORANDUM**

**Planning and Development - Council Memo No. PA07-019**

**DATE:** September 20, 2007

**TO:** MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

**THRU:** W. MARK PENTZ, CITY MANAGER  
for DOUG BALLARD, PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR *Den*

**FROM:** JEFF KURTZ, ASSISTANT PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR *[Signature]*

**SUBJECT:** RECOMMENDATIONS OF ARCHITECTURAL EXCELLENCE AWARD COMMITTEE

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the City Council accept the recommendations of the Architectural Excellence Award Committee for projects to receive awards in 2007.

**BACKGROUND / DISCUSSION:**

Ordinance No. 3428 was adopted to create the Architectural Excellence Award Committee, which became effective on February 13, 2003. This is the fifth year for the award program. Last year 15 projects received recognition. The Committee has continued their work in 2007 by meeting five times, reviewing over 48 projects and touring 28 of the sites. For 2007, there are 13 projects that will receive recognition.

The Revised By-laws establish seven possible categories of projects and four levels of awards, the Hank Pluster Award, and the Benchmark, Excellence and Merit Awards. The By-laws also allow the Committee to choose up to three other categories of awards. This year the Committee has added the categories of Multi-family and Restaurants. The other categories of projects the Committee is recommending awards for include Commercial Retail, Commercial Office, Industrial, and Public/Semi-Public.

The awards event will be scheduled in November. Attached is a list of the recommended projects by the Committee. The Committee wishes to reserve the announcement of the level and categories of awards at the October event.

**PROPOSED MOTION:**

Motion to approve the recommendations of the Architectural Excellence Award Committee.

Attachment

Proposed recipients of 2007 Architectural Excellence Awards:

Kovach, Inc.  
Cooper Crossing  
Yen-Li Chen Ballet School  
Chuparasos Apartments  
Chandler Community Facilities  
Riggs Landing  
Centro De Alabanza Juda  
Countrywide Home Loans  
The Villas at Savona  
Old Chicago  
Cachet Homes -- Serenity Shores  
The Castle at Ashley Manor  
Ace Hardware at Chandler Heights Marketplace