

# PRE-APPLICATION NARRATIVE

PROJECT: San Luis, AZ

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RE: New Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses

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ATTACHMENT(S): Kingdom Hall Information Package; Site Plans

## PROJECT OBJECTIVE

To design a site for a new Kingdom Hall (KH) that is functional, attractive, conforms to all applicable regulations, minimizes the size of property needed, minimizes maintenance and ensures durability of materials.

## DESCRIPTION OF KINGDOM HALL

A KH is a place of worship for Jehovah's Witnesses and persons interested in learning about the Bible. Throughout the world, KHs have been known to be small, modest, clean buildings where all types of people of all ages gather to encourage one another and "incite to love and fine works".

The KH proposed (KH170) for the site of interest consists of 170 seats and has a building foot print of 36 ft x 92 ft. As found in the KH information package, it is designed to meet international codes and uses materials that are durable and fire resistant.

## KINGDOM HALL OPERATIONS

Up to four congregations may use a KH. Each congregation will generally consist of 80-120 persons attending the weekly Bible meetings. Each congregation meets twice a week at the KH; once during the week and once on the weekend. The following is summary of utility demands estimated that will be imposed on city infrastructure:

- a. WATER: Size of water main will be 1 1/2".
- b. SANITARY SEWER: Size of wastewater lateral will be 4".
- c. STORM WATER MANAGEMENT: Refer to site plans.

## SUMMARY

As the city well knows, previous applications were submitted and approved in 2013 and 2015. Various unforeseen factors from design to financing caused delays which in turn caused our approvals to expire. We originally sought an extension for our 2015 approved CUP but due to miscommunication between us and the City, what we thought was an approved extension turned out not to be the case. As directed by the City, we are submitting once more.

However, we ask this time that we be given an approval for not just one year but three years to complete our project. This will guarantee we do not have expiration issues again as construction is not slated to begin until near the end of 2018. If possible, we will try to begin sooner. But for now, this is our current timeline.

RESPECTFULLY YOURS:



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