

Referral Early Consultation

Date: April 4, 2025

To: Distribution List (See Attachment A)

From: Marcus Ruddicks, Assistant Planner Planning and Community Development

Subject: USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2024-0070- HICKMAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Respond By: April 24, 2025

****PLEASE REVIEW REFERRAL PROCESS POLICY****

The Stanislaus County Department of Planning and Community Development is soliciting comments from responsible agencies under the Early Consultation process to determine: a) whether or not the project is subject to CEQA and b) if specific conditions should be placed upon project approval.

Therefore, please contact this office by the response date if you have any comments pertaining to the proposal. Comments made identifying potential impacts should be as specific as possible and should be based on supporting data (e.g., traffic counts, expected pollutant levels, etc.). Your comments should emphasize potential impacts in areas which your agency has expertise and/or jurisdictional responsibilities.

These comments will assist our Department in preparing a staff report to present to the Planning Commission. Those reports will contain our recommendations for approval or denial. They will also contain recommended conditions to be required should the project be approved. Therefore, please list any conditions that you wish to have included for presentation to the Commission as well as any other comments you may have. Please return all comments and/or conditions as soon as possible or no later than the response date referenced above.

Thank you for your cooperation. Please call (209) 525-6330 if you have any questions.

Applicant:	Hickman Community Church
Project Location:	854 I Street, between 4 th Street and Lake Road, in the Community of Hickman
APN:	019-047-012 and 019-047-013
Williamson Act Contract:	N/A
General Plan:	019-047-012: Agriculture 019-047-013: Low Density Residential
Community Plan:	019-047-012: Agriculture 019-047-013: Residential
Current Zoning:	019-047-012: General Agriculture (A-2-10) 019-047-013: Rural Residential (R-A)

Project Description: Request to expand an existing church across two parcels in the Community of Hickman, one a 1.29± acre parcel in the Rural Residential (R-A) zoning district (APN 019-047-013), and the other a 7.62± acre parcel in the in the General Agriculture (A-2-10) zoning district (APN 019-047-012). Previous land use entitlements issued for the project site include Use Permit Nos. UP76-

61, UP95-02, and UP2000-10- Hickman Community Church and multiple subsequent Staff Approval Permits since 2002 have modified the approved development for the site. Ultimately, the church has been approved for 36,717± square feet of improvements including five classroom buildings, a 10,000± square-foot replacement sanctuary building, a 4,400± square-foot multipurpose building, two storage buildings a basketball court, and a playground. The request includes the construction of four two-story classroom buildings, a 9,700± square-foot replacement sanctuary building with 600-seat capacity, a kitchen, two restrooms, three storage buildings, and a picnic canopy. Two of the storage buildings will be constructed on APN 019-047-013, and the rest of the proposed improvements will occur on APN 019-047-012. The request also includes the demolition of three existing modular classroom buildings, two unpermitted canopies, and an existing storage building. One of the modular classroom buildings to be demolished is located on APN 019-047-013, and the rest of the demolition will occur on APN 019-047-012. These changes are proposed to be completed over the course of six phases. Phase One will consist of constructing one of the two-story, 4,800± square-foot classroom buildings and two 300± square-foot entry canopies, to an existing 4,195± square-foot multipurpose building. An existing baseball field on-site will also be replaced to expand an existing parking lot as part of Phase Three. The project will not change the site's existing hours of use of Sunday through Saturday from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., except Easter, Christmas, and New Years celebrations allowed from sunrise to 1:30 a.m. Activities on-site consist of Sunday morning and evening church services, Sunday morning Bible study classes, and Wednesday evening Bible study classes for adults. The church also hosts three two-day conferences per year, four to six weddings and funerals per year, and monthly large service events in the spring and summer. Occasional baptisms and other large services with typically 350 to 380 attendees take place outdoors in place of regular Sunday morning service using a tent in one of the existing parking lots. A portable PA system is used for amplified sound as part of these events. The large service events. conferences, and use of the portable PA system were not permitted by previous land use entitlements and will be evaluated as part of this request. The number of attendees for church services will expand up to 600 parishioners from the previously approved 400, as a result of the proposed sanctuary building being constructed. Additionally, it is anticipated the number of Sunday school and adult education students will increase to 200 and 240, respectively. Use of the facility is and will continue to be for members of the church and not available to the general public. The site is currently improved with 28,865± square feet of existing buildings, with 7,491± square feet of this set to be demolished in Phases Two through Six. After expansion, the church will be developed with a total of 71,334± square feet of improvements. This use permit application was submitted in response to an active Code Enforcement case for unpermitted construction (No. CE 24-0038).

Full document with attachments available for viewing at: http://www.stancounty.com/planning/pl/act-projects.shtm



USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2024-0070 – HICKMAN COMMUNITY CHURCH Attachment A

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х	MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COUNCIL: HICKMAN		SURROUNDING LAND OWNERS
Х	PACIFIC GAS & ELECTRIC		INTERESTED PARTIES
	POSTMASTER:	Х	TELEPHONE COMPANY: AT&T
	RAILROAD:		TRIBAL CONTACTS (CA Government Code §65352.3)
Х	SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY APCD		US ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
Х	SCHOOL DIST 1: HICKMAN COMMUNITY CHARTER	х	US FISH & WILDLIFE
Х	SCHOOL DIST 2: HUGHSON UNIFIED		US MILITARY (SB 1462) (7 agencies)
	WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT		USDA NRCS
Х	STAN CO AG COMMISSIONER	1	
	TUOLUMNE RIVER TRUST		

STANISLAUS COUNTY CEQA REFERRAL RESPONSE FORM

TO: Stanislaus County Planning & Community Development 1010 10th Street, Suite 3400 Modesto, CA 95354

FROM:

SUBJECT: USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. PLN2024-0070- HICKMAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

Based on this agency's particular field(s) of expertise, it is our position the above described project:

_____ Will not have a significant effect on the environment.

May have a significant effect on the environment.

No Comments.

Listed below are specific impacts which support our determination (e.g., traffic general, carrying capacity, soil types, air quality, etc.) – (attach additional sheet if necessary)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3. 4.

Listed below are possible mitigation measures for the above-listed impacts: *PLEASE BE SURE TO INCLUDE WHEN THE MITIGATION OR CONDITION NEEDS TO BE IMPLEMENTED* (*PRIOR TO RECORDING A MAP, PRIOR TO ISSUANCE OF A BUILDING PERMIT, ETC.*):

- 1. 2.
- 3.
- 4.

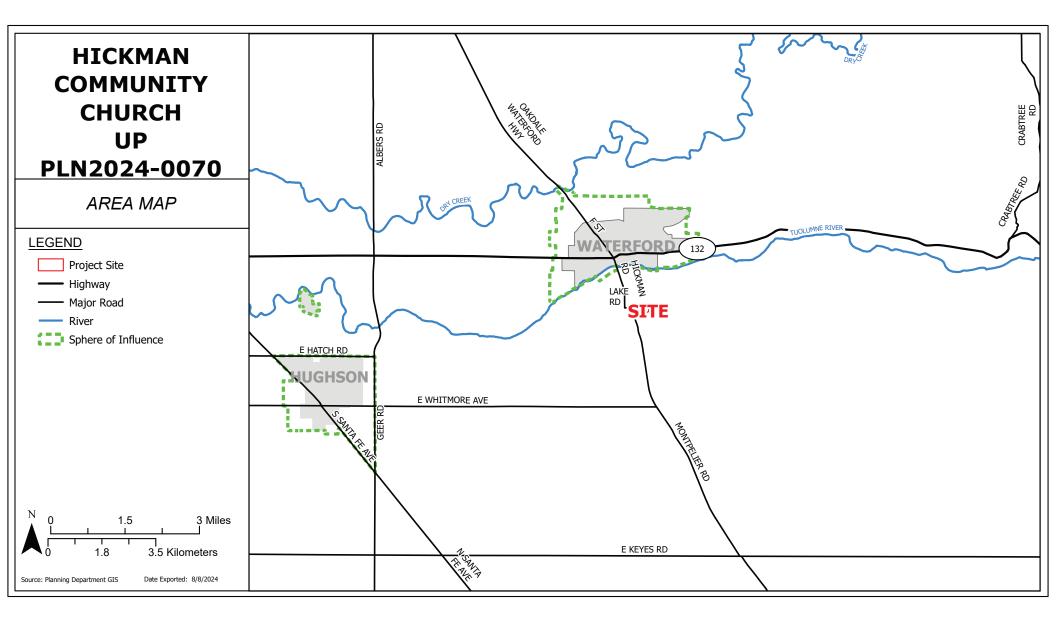
In addition, our agency has the following comments (attach additional sheets if necessary).

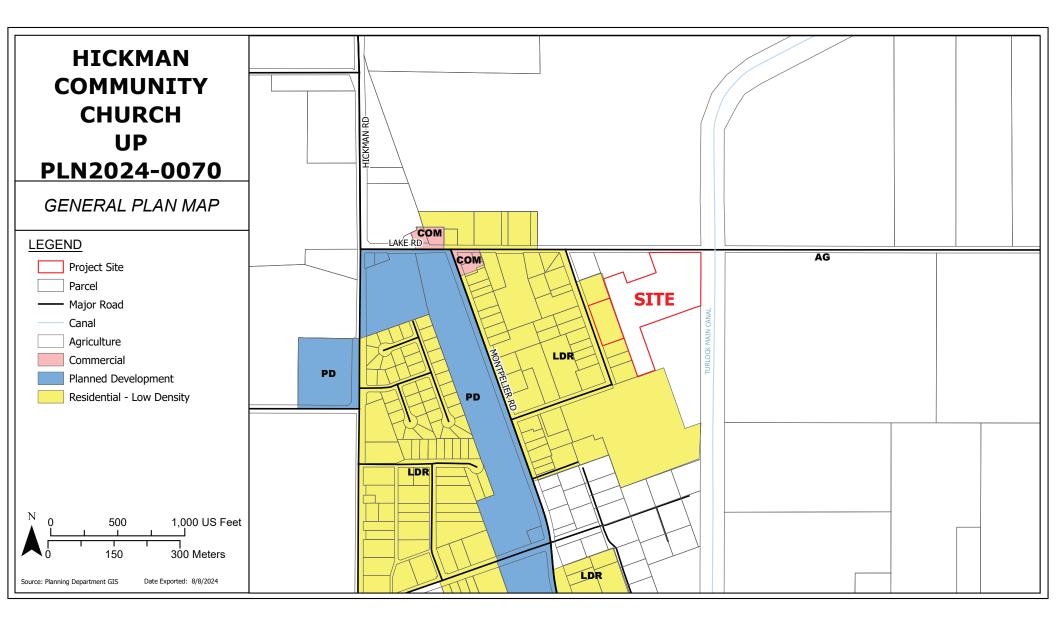
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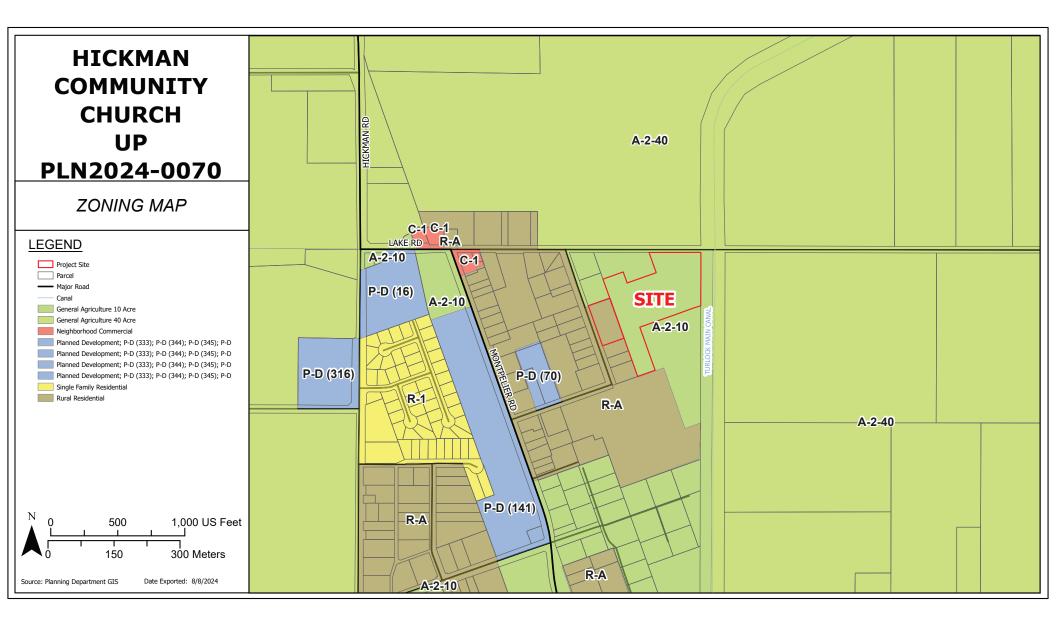
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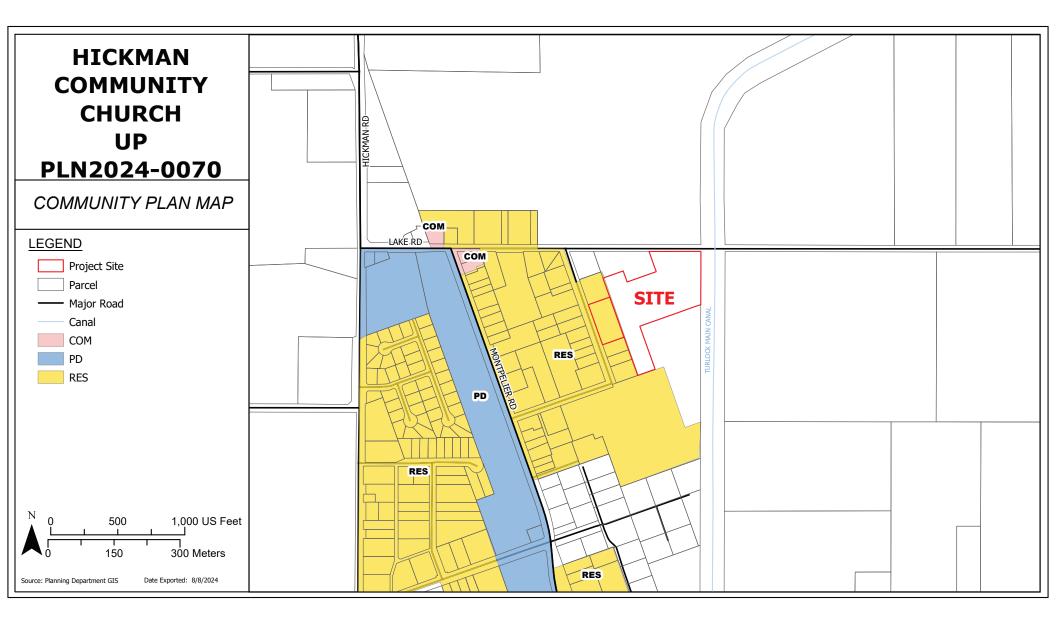
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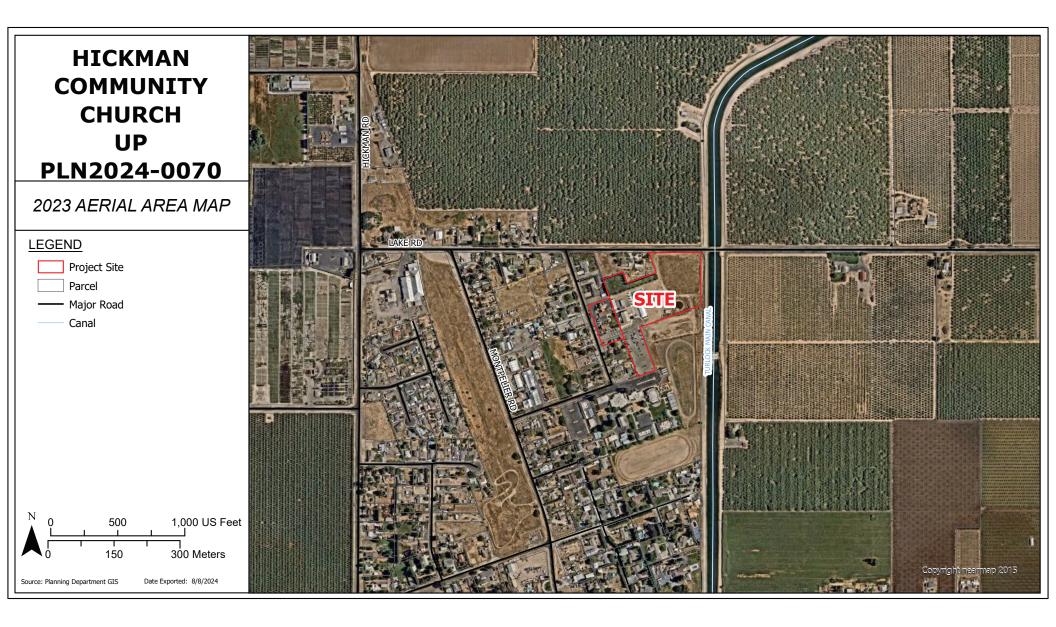
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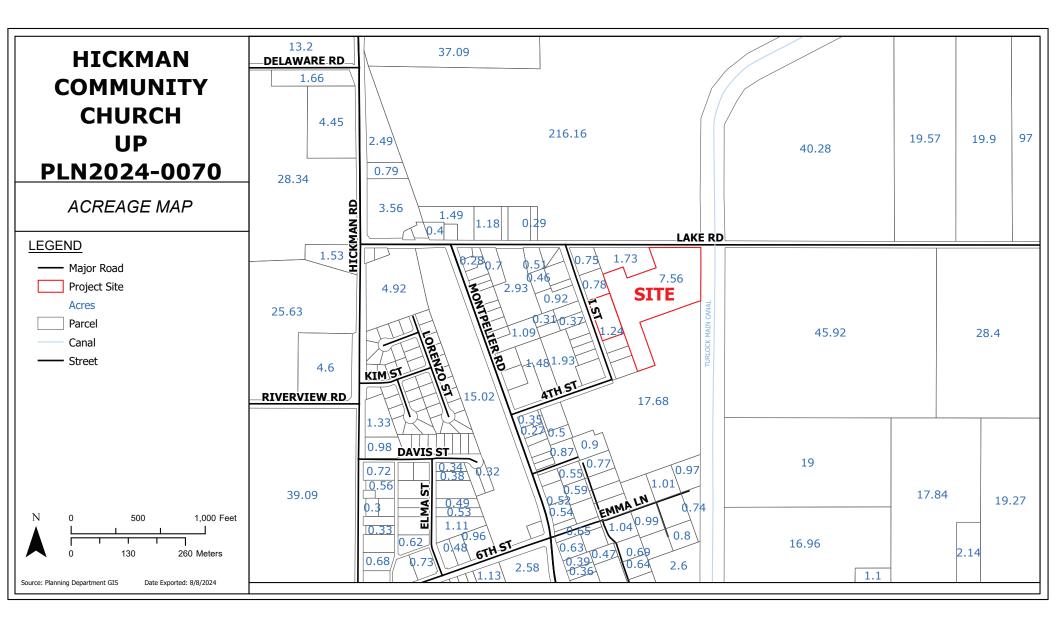


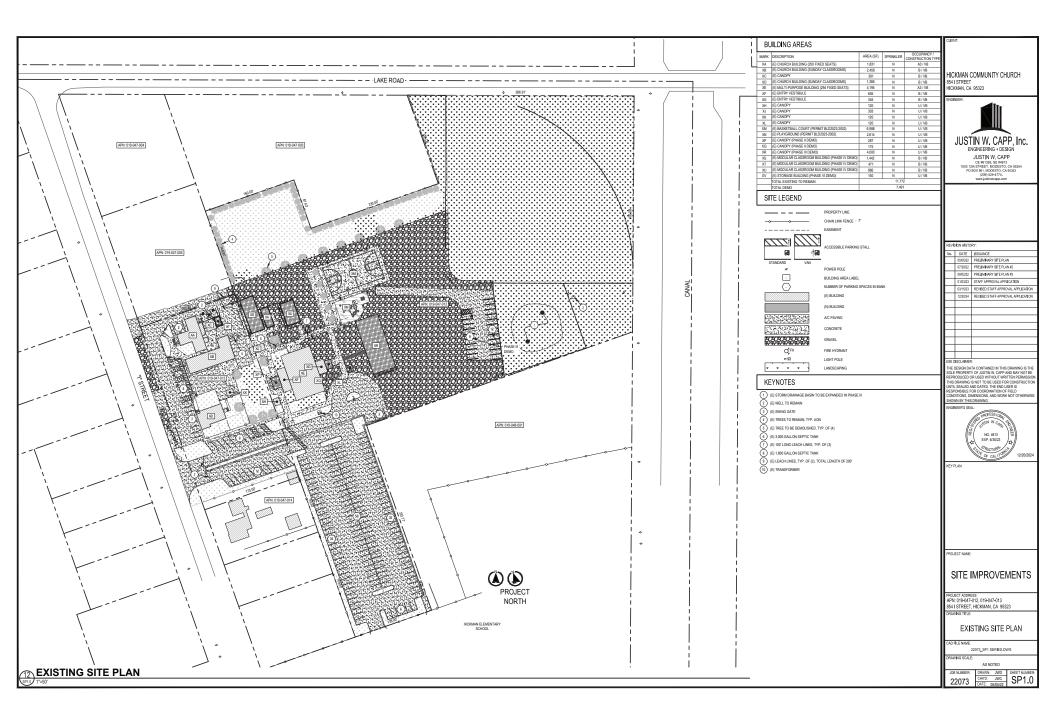


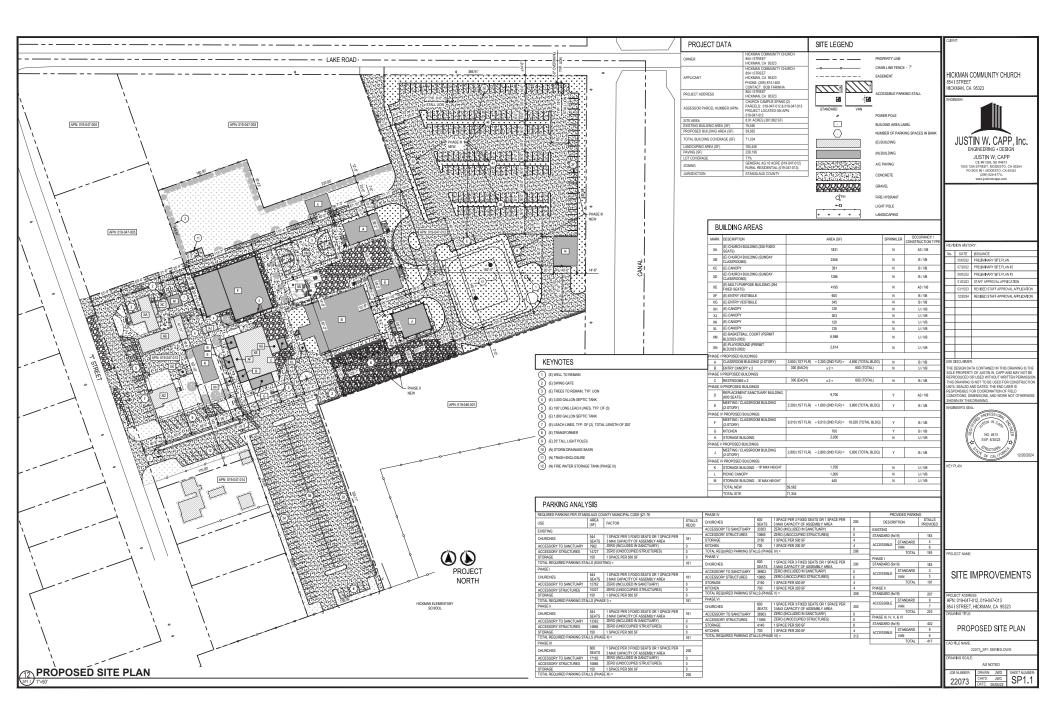














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APPLICATION QUESTIONNAIRE

	e Check all applicable boxes LICATION FOR:		PLANNING STAFF USE ONLY:	
Staff is available to assist you with determining which applications are necessary			Application No(s): <u>PLN</u> 2024 0070 Date: <u>7/22/2024</u>	
	General Plan Amendment		Subdivision Map	S_3_T_4_R_11 GP Designation: Low Density Res & Agriculture
	Rezone		Parcel Map	Zoning: <u>R-A & A-2-10</u>
×	Use Permit		Exception	Fee: <u>\$4,720</u>
	Variance		Williamson Act Cancellation	Receipt No. 578236 Received By: MR
	Historic Site Permit		Other	Notes: frev. payment 1/13/23 Receiver # 570013

In order for your application to be considered COMPLETE, please answer all applicable questions on the following pages, and provide all applicable information listed on the checklist on pages i – v. Under State law, upon receipt of this application, staff has 30 days to determine if the application is complete. We typically do not take the full 30 days. It may be necessary for you to provide additional information and/or meet with staff to discuss the application. Pre-application meetings are not required, but are highly recommended. An incomplete application will be placed on hold until all the necessary information is provided to the satisfaction of the requesting agency. An application will not be accepted without all the information identified on the checklist.

Please contact staff at (209) 525-6330 to discuss any questions you may have. Staff will attempt to help you in any way we can.

PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: (Describe the project in detail, including physical features of the site, proposed improvements, proposed uses or business, operating hours, number of employees, anticipated customers, etc. – Attach additional sheets as necessary)

*Please note: A detailed project description is essential to the reviewing process of this request. In order to approve a project, the Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors must decide whether there is enough information available to be able to make very specific statements about the project. These statements are called "Findings". It is your responsibility as an applicant to provide enough information about the proposed project, so that staff can recommend that the Commission or the Board make the required Findings. Specific project Findings are shown on pages 17 – 19 and can be used as a guide for preparing your project description. (If you are applying for a Variance or Exception, please contact staff to discuss special requirements).

Campus expansion to include new sanctuary building to replace the existing

(in use only, existing structure to remain) . Additional proposed structures

include classroom bldgs, storage bldgs, and amphitheater. Parking will be

expanded to replace the existing baseball field.

PROJECT SITE INFORMATION

Complete and accurate information saves time and is vital to project review and assessment. Please complete each section entirely. If a question is not applicable to your project, please indicated this to show that each question has been carefully considered. Contact the Planning & Community Development Department Staff, 1010 10th Street – 3rd Floor, (209) 525-6330, if you have any questions. Pre-application meetings are highly recommended. ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER(S): Book 019 Page 047 Parcel 012 019-047-013 Additional parcel numbers: Project Site Address 854 I Street Hickman CA 95323 or Physical Location: Acres: 9.99 or Square feet: **Property Area:** Current and Previous Land Use: (Explain existing and previous land use(s) of site for the last ten years) Church/Place of Worship/Religious List any known previous projects approved for this site, such as a Use Permit, Parcel Map, etc.: (Please identify project name, type of project, and date of approval) BLD2023-2002 HCC PLAYGROUND ISSUED 12/06/2023 Existing General Plan & Zoning: Residential - Low Density Proposed General Plan & Zoning: _____ (if applicable) ADJACENT LAND USE: (Describe adjacent land uses within 1,320 feet (1/4 mile) and/or two parcels in each direction of the project site) East: Church West: Residential North: Residential South: Residential WILLIAMSON ACT CONTRACT: Yes D No 🖾 Is the property currently under a Williamson Act Contract? Contract Number: If yes, has a Notice of Non-Renewal been filed?

Date Filed: _____

Yes 🛛 No 🖾	Do you propose to cancel any portion of the Contract?				
Yes 🛛 No 🖾	Are there any agriculture, conservation, open space or similar easements affecting the use of the project site. (Such easements do not include Williamson Act Contracts)				
	If yes, please list and provide a recorded copy:				
SITE CHARACTE	RISTICS: (Check one or more) Flat 🗵 Rolling 🛛 Steep 🗖				
VEGETATION: W	hat kind of plants are growing on your property? (Check one or more)				
Field crops	Orchard D Pasture/Grassland D Scattered trees D				
Shrubs	Woodland River/Riparian Other				
Explain Other:					
Yes 🗌 No 🗵	Do you plan to remove any trees? (If yes, please show location of trees planned for removal on plot plan and provide information regarding transplanting or replanting.)				
GRADING:					
Yes 🗋 No 🖾	Do you plan to do any grading? (If yes, please indicate how many cubic yards and acres to be disturbed. Please show areas to be graded on plot plan.)				
STREAMS, LAKE	S, & PONDS:				
Yes 🗌 No 🗵	Are there any streams, lakes, ponds or other watercourses on the property? (If yes, please show on plot plan)				
Yes 🗋 No 🖾	Will the project change any drainage patterns? (If yes, please explain – provide additional sheet if needed)				
Yes 🗋 No 🖾	Are there any gullies or areas of soil erosion? (If yes, please show on plot plan)				
Yes 🗌 No 🖾	Do you plan to grade, disturb, or in any way change swales, drainages, ditches, gullies, ponds, low lying areas, seeps, springs, streams, creeks, river banks, or other area on the site that carries or holds water for any amount of time during the year? (If yes, please show areas to be graded on plot plan)				
	Please note: If the answer above is yes, you may be required to obtain authorization from other agencies such as the Corps of Engineers or California Department of Fish and Game.				

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Yes 🗵	No		Are there structures on the site? (If yes, please show on plot plan. Show a relationship to property lines and other features of the site.
Yes 🛛	No	Х	Will structures be moved or demolished? (If yes, indicate on plot plan.)
Yes 🗵	No		Do you plan to build new structures? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)
Yes 🛛	No	X	Are there buildings of possible Historical significance? (If yes, please explain and show location and size on plot plan.)

PROJECT SITE COVERAGE:

Existing Building Coverage:	<u>13,212</u> Sq. Ft.	Landscaped Area:	<u>112,811</u> Sq. Ft.
Proposed Building Coverage:	<u>58,390</u> Sq. Ft.	Paved Surface Area:	<u>250,553</u> Sq. Ft.

BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS:

Size of new structure(s) or building addition(s) in gross sq. ft.: (Provide additional sheets if necessary) See Addendum B

and SP1.1

Number of floors for each building: One

Building height in feet (measured from ground to highest point): (Provide additional sheets if necessary) See SP1.1

Height of other appurtenances, excluding buildings, measured from ground to highest point (i.e., antennas, mechanical equipment, light poles, etc.): (Provide additional sheets if necessary) See SP1.1

Proposed surface material for parking area: (Provide information addressing dust control measures if non-asphalt/concrete material to be used) See SP1.1

UTILITIES AND IRRIGATION FACILITIES:

Yes No 🖾 Are there existing public or private utilities on the site? Includes telephone, power, water, etc. (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Who provides, or will provide the following services to the property?

Electrical: <u>TTD</u>	Sewer*: Septic	
Telephone:	Gas/Propane:	
Water**: City of Hickman	Irrigation:	

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*Please Note: A "will serve" letter is required if the sewer service will be provided by City, Sanitary District, Community Services District, etc.

**Please Note: A "will serve" letter is required if the water source is a City, Irrigation District, Water District, etc., and the water purveyor may be required to provide verification through an Urban Water Management Plan that an adequate water supply exists to service your proposed development.

Will any special or unique sewage wastes be generated by this development other than that normally associated with resident or employee restrooms? Industrial, chemical, manufacturing, animal wastes? (Please describe:)

Please Note: Should any waste be generated by the proposed project other than that normally associated with a single family residence, it is likely that Waste Discharge Requirements will be required by the Regional Water Quality Control Board. Detailed descriptions of quantities, quality, treatment, and disposal may be required.

Yes 🛛	No	X	Are there existing irrigation, telephone, or power company easements on the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)
Yes 🛛	No	Х	Do the existing utilities, including irrigation facilities, need to be moved? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)
Yes 🛛	No	X	Does the project require extension of utilities? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan.)

AFFORDABLE HOUSING/SENIOR:

Yes **No Will the project include affordable or senior housing provisions?** (If yes, please explain)

RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS: (Please complete if applicable – Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Total No. Lots:	Total Dwelling l	Jnits:	Total Acreage	9:
Net Density per Acre:		Gross Dei	nsity per Acre:	
(complete if applicable)	Single Family	Two Family Duplex	Multi-Family Apartments	Multi-Family Condominium/ Townhouse
Number of Units:	<u>.</u>			
Acreage:				

COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, MANUFACTURING, RETAIL, USE PERMIT, OR OTHER

PROJECTS: (Please complete if applicable - Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Square footage of each existing or proposed building(s): See Addendum B and SP1.1

Type of use(s): Commercial

Days and hours of operation: Monday - Friday 8	BAM - 4PM, Sunday 8AM - 8PM
Seasonal operation (i.e., packing shed, huller, etc.) month	s and hours of operation: <u>N/A</u>
Occupancy/capacity of building:	
Number of employees: (Maximum Shift): 4	(Minimum Shift): _4
Estimated number of daily customers/visitors on site at pe	ak time:
Other occupants:	i
Estimated number of truck deliveries/loadings per day: N	/A
Estimated hours of truck deliveries/loadings per day: $\underline{N/2}$	A
Estimated percentage of traffic to be generated by trucks:	N/A
Estimated number of railroad deliveries/loadings per day:	N/A
Square footage of:	
Office area:	Warehouse area:
Sales area:	Storage area:
Loading area:	Manufacturing area:
Other: (explain type of area) See SP1.0	
Yes D No X Will the proposed use involve toxi	c or hazardous materials or waste? (Please explain)
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ROAD AND ACCESS INFORMATION:	
_	s? (Please show all existing and proposed driveways on the plot plan)
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Yes 🛛	No	X	Do you require security gates and fencing on the access? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)
Yes 🛛	No	X	Do you require a private road or easement to access the property? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)
Yes 🛛	No	X	Are there private or public road or access easements on the property now? (If yes, show location and size on plot plan)

Please Note: Parcels that do not front on a County-maintained road or require special access may require approval of an Exception to the Subdivision Ordinance. Please contact staff to determine if an exception is needed and to discuss the necessary Findings.

STORM DRAINAGE:

How will your project handle storm water runoff?	(Check one)	Drainage Basin	Direct Discharge	Overland
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D Other: (please explain) _____

If direct discharge is proposed, what specific waterway are you proposing to discharge to?

Please Note: If direct discharge is proposed, you will be required to obtain a NPDES permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board, and must provide evidence that you have contacted them regarding this proposal with your application.

EROSION CONTROL:

If you plan on grading any portion of the site, please provide a description of erosion control measures you propose to implement.

Please note: You may be required to obtain an NPDES Storm Water Permit from the Regional Water Quality Control Board and prepare a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Please use this space to provide any other information you feel is appropriate for the County to consider during review of your application. (Attach extra sheets if necessary)

Original application was SSA PLN2023-0006 (FEES PAID), now updating to Use

Permit Application