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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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Dear Supervisors:

**HOLLYWOOD BOWL RENOVATION PROJECTS:
APPROVE ADDENDUM 1 TO THE
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE
RENOVATIONS TO HOLLYWOOD BOWL FOOD AND
BEVERAGE FACILITIES PROJECT; AND
APPROVE REVISED PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE
HOLLYWOOD BOWL SHELL REHABILITATION AND
ACOUSTICAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE BACK-OF-HOUSE
ENHANCEMENT PROJECT ELEMENTS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 3
3 VOTES**

**JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND
THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Consider and approve Addendum 1 to the Mitigated Negative Declaration (Enclosure A) in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act for the proposed renovations to Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities Project and find that Addendum 1 reflects the County's independent judgment and analysis.
2. Approve the revised project budget of \$22,587,563 to be funded by Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, Third District Capital Project and Extraordinary Maintenance funds, and the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association.

3. Approve the enclosed Appropriation Adjustment to transfer \$268,079 in Third District Capital Project funds and \$701,000 in Third District Extraordinary Maintenance funds to the Hollywood Bowl Shell Replacement Project (Capital Project 77090) and authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to approve an increase in the project budget with corresponding increase in funding from the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association and report back to your Board at the completion of the project scheduled for June 10, 2004.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approval of the recommended actions will document technical refinements to the Relocation and Enhancement of the Concession Stand 4 element of the Food and Beverage Facilities Project approved by your Board in March 2002, and provide additional funding for the restoration of project scope items in the Shell Rehabilitation and Acoustical Improvements Project and the Back-of-House and Patron Facilities Enhancement Project elements of the ongoing Hollywood Bowl renovation.

Background

The current Hollywood Bowl renovation construction project consists of implementation of elements of three renovation projects approved by your Board: the Shell Rehabilitation and Acoustical Improvements Project, the Food and Beverage Facilities Project and the Back-of-House and Patron Facilities Enhancement Project.

The capital project name, which is used for budgeting purposes, is the Shell Rehabilitation and Acoustical Improvements Project.

Proposed Environmental Addendum

In March 2002, your Board approved the Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities Project. Further, your Board adopted an MND for the proposed renovations, which were to be implemented in two phases. Phase I improvements have been completed and include converting Concession Stand 3 to a new gourmet market place and renovating the rooftop dining area and the box kitchen. Phase II improvements were to be addressed in the future and included a permanent area for beverage services, an expanded pool circle kitchen incorporating a rooftop bar area with exterior seating and picnic area, reconstructing and expanding Concession Stand 6, and relocating and expanding Concession Stand 4.

Addendum 1 to the MND describes and analyzes changes to the adopted project description of Concession Stand 4, which will further improve service and function at the west gate entrance. The proposed refinement to this project element would increase the size of the new Concession Stand 4 from 440 square feet to a maximum of approximately 1,000 square feet. The proposed L-shaped building would be located at approximately the same location as described in the MND. The increase in size reflects a change in the type of concession stand proposed in this location. The refined Concession Stand 4 would consist of an indoor concession area that routes patrons through the stand to select from a cafeteria-type display to several checkouts stationed at the exit. In the event of a service queue, where there are more concession patrons than can be accommodated inside the stand, patrons will be directed to line up against the south side of the building and out of high circulation areas by means of a temporary and removable queue lines and signage.

This type of concession stand was implemented in Concession Stand 3 and has proven to be both more efficient for the staff and a more positive concession experience for patrons.

Proposed Restoration of Project Scope

In March 2003, your Board approved the Shell Rehabilitation and Acoustical Improvements Project. The Shell Rehabilitation Project included addressing patron walkway circulation from the west gate patron entrance area to the seating area but implementation of this project element was deferred. The project team has determined that project cost savings could be realized by having the current contractor construct the retaining wall while on site constructing the stage and shell. The proposed widening of the west gate entrance would include removing the west gate slope by approximately 15 feet, constructing a new retaining wall, and any required new landscaping. It is recommended that the west gate entrance widening be added to the current project scope to resolve the patron walkway congestion at the same time as the completion of the new shell project.

During construction of the current project, project scope items have been identified and requested to be restored to the project by the Philharmonic Association to facilitate and complete the operations of the rehabilitated facility. These scope items were initially deleted from the approved project scope for the Shell Rehabilitation Project and the Back-of-House and Patron Facilities Project in March 2003 to remain within the funding sources available. Further, the March 2003 Board letter stated that these items would be included in the construction project if additional funding became available. The Philharmonic Association has identified funding to pay these enhancements to the extent that these enhancements cannot be funded within the initial project budget. The project elements are interior completion of the dressing rooms located in the understage area, interior completion of the offices located on the second floor of stage right, revisions to the controls for the dimming and lighting equipment, revised pyrotechnic bridge design, and revisions to the controls and lighting related to the acoustic canopy.

Delegated Authority to the Chief Administrative Office

The Hollywood Bowl renovations are being implemented from October 2003 to June 2004 to allow the facility to remain open during its normal performance season. In order to address future additional operational enhancement scope requests, it is recommended that your Board delegate to the Chief Administrative Officer the authority to increase the project budget only if there is funding identified and deposited by the Philharmonic Association into the project escrow account and only if such enhancements are consistent with the approved project descriptions for the Shell Rehabilitation, Food and Beverage Facilities, and Back-of-House and Patron Facilities environmental documents. Upon completion of the current construction project, the Chief Administrative Officer will report back to your Board advising the final project cost and funding sources.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

This action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Organizational Effectiveness by collaborating across functional and jurisdictional boundaries. Further, your Board's adoption of Addendum 1 to the MND will strengthen the County's fiscal responsibility through effectively managing the resources we have and investing in public infrastructure.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The revised total project cost is estimated at \$22,587,563, including construction, plans and specifications, jurisdictional approvals, consultant services, and project management services. The revised project cost is an increase of \$1,327,680 from your Board's previously approved project budget of \$21,259,883 in March 2003.

The increase in the revised project budget reflects the widening of the west gate, estimated to cost \$969,079 and revisions to the pyrotechnic bridge design, estimated to cost \$126,273. It also reflects the restoration of the following project scope items that were previously deleted for value engineering purposes:

- interior completion of the dressing rooms located in the understage area estimated to cost \$111,921;
- interior completion of the offices located on the second floor of stage right estimated to cost \$28,824;
- revisions to the controls for dimming and lighting equipment estimated to cost \$37,073; and
- revisions to the controls and lighting related to the acoustic canopy estimated to cost \$54,510.

Upon approval of the enclosed Appropriation Adjustment, the total project cost of \$22,587,563 will be funded by \$15,093,883 from the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition A 1996, \$6,268,079 Third District Capital Project funds, \$701,000 in Third District Extraordinary Maintenance funds, and \$524,601 contribution by the Philharmonic Association.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Addendum 1 to the MND authorizes specified modifications to Concession Stand 4. Addendum 1 to the MND materials, which constitute the record of proceedings upon which the County will rely in the decision making process, are on file at Parks and Recreation.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On March 12, 2002, your Board approved the MND for the Food and Beverage Facilities Project pursuant to CEQA. Addendum 1 to the MND provides an analysis of the proposed project refinements that has determined that none of the conditions described in Section 15162 of the CEQA guidelines calling for the preparation of a subsequent MND has occurred, and that there would not be new or more significant impacts than those discussed in the MND.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Your Board has previously authorized the Philharmonic Association to construct these improvements.

Upon your Board's approval, the Philharmonic Association will contract for the construction of the west gate widening and the additional project enhancement items.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Construction of the west gate entrance widening will occur concurrently with the current construction, which is to be completed in early June 2004. The remainder of the Hollywood Bowl Complex will remain open during construction.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Administrative Office (Capital Projects Division), Parks and Recreation, and Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: County Counsel

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ENCLOSURE A

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**ADDENDUM NO. 1 TO THE FINAL MITIGATED NEGATIVE
DECLARATION RENOVATIONS TO THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL
FOOD AND BEVERAGE FACILITIES**

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1. November 14, 2003, Letter from Wilson Geosciences
2. November 18, 2003, Project Memorandum from Davy & Associates, Inc.

SECTION 1.0

INTRODUCTION

This Addendum No. 1 to the Renovations to the Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) is prepared pursuant to and in compliance with Section 15164 of the State California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines to document technical refinements to the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element. The project refinements are being undertaken by the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association (LAPA) and are subject to approval by the County of Los Angeles (County).

1.1 BACKGROUND

The County Board of Supervisors adopted the MND on March 12, 2002.¹ The primary objective of this element of the MND is to improve the efficiency of service to patrons and reduce congestion in the vicinity of the west gate. The need for these improvements was identified in response to an unprecedented increase in patronage of concession stands that occurred during the summer 2000 season.

The MND contained a project-level analysis of the proposed project. The MND examined whether the construction and operation of the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element would result in significant environmental impacts. The MND determined that all project-related impacts could be reduced to less than significant levels through the implementation of the specified mitigation measures.

Addendum No. 1 to the MND is being prepared for the Lead Agency designated by the State of California, as defined in Section 15367 of the State CEQA Guidelines. The County of Los Angeles is the Lead Agency with regard to all County-owned properties. The Building and Safety Division of the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works is a Responsible Agency, as defined by Section 15381 of the State CEQA Guidelines with respect to their discretionary approval of the plans.

1.2 PURPOSE AND NEED

The purpose of Addendum No. 1 to the MND is to describe and analyze changes to the adopted project description for the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element, which would further improve service and function at the west gate.

The analysis of the project refinements has determined that none of the conditions described in Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines calling for the preparation of a subsequent MND has occurred, and that there would not be new or more significant impacts than those contained in the MND.

¹ County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation. 12 March 2002. *Final Mitigated Negative Declaration Renovations to Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities*. Contact: Kenneth Hahn, Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Room 754, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Prepared by: Sapphos Environmental, Inc., 133 Martin Alley, Pasadena, CA 91105.

SECTION 2.0

REFINED PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This section provides a detailed description of the refinements to the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element of the MND.

2.1 PROJECT REFINEMENTS

Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4

The MND proposed replacing the existing 230-square-foot Concession Stand No. 4 with a new 440-square-foot Concession Stand No. 4 to be located approximately 20 feet to the east and oriented perpendicular to the existing concession stand across the west gate concourse between the parking lots to the Hollywood Bowl stands (Figure 2.1-1, *Illustration of Adopted Concession Stand No. 4*).

The proposed refinement to this project element would increase the size of the new Concession Stand No. 4 from 440 square feet to a maximum of approximately 1,000 square feet (Figure 2.1-2, *Schematic Drawing of Refined Concession Stand No. 4*, and Figure 2.1-3, *Site Plan of Refined Concession Stand No. 4*). The approximately 1,000-square-foot concession stand would be relocated in the same area as described in the MND. However, the design of the concession stand would change from a long and narrow building with an approximately 20-foot-high retaining wall located between the building and the slope to an L-shaped building with at most a 23-foot-high retaining wall located between the building and the slope.

The increase in size reflects a change in the type of concession stand proposed in this location. The existing and adopted Concession Stand No. 4, as described in the MND, is a walk-up concession stand with three exterior service windows. This type of concession stand limits service to a one-to-one staff-to-patron ratio and can result in long exterior queues that may interfere with adjacent circulation patterns. The refined Concession Stand No. 4 would consist of an indoor concession area that routes patrons through the stand to select from a cafeteria-type display to several checkouts stationed at the exit. In the event of a service queue, where there are more concession patrons than can be accommodated inside the stand, patrons would be directed to line up against the south side of the building and out of high circulation areas by means of a temporary and removable guardrail and signage. This type of concession stand was implemented through Concession Stand No. 3, located on the east side of the Hollywood Bowl stage, as part of Phase I of the MND. This type of concession stand has proven to be both more efficient for the staff and a more positive concession experience by allowing patrons to be served more quickly and to select concessions personally and at their own pace. Therefore, this type of concession stand more effectively meets the primary project element objective of improving the efficiency of service to patrons and reducing congestion in the vicinity of the west gate.

The selection of products served at the refined Concession Stand No. 4 would be similar to the products that will be served at the adopted Concession Stand No. 4. Air-conditioning equipment would be located in a mechanical equipment enclosure on the west side of the refined Concession Stand No. 4.

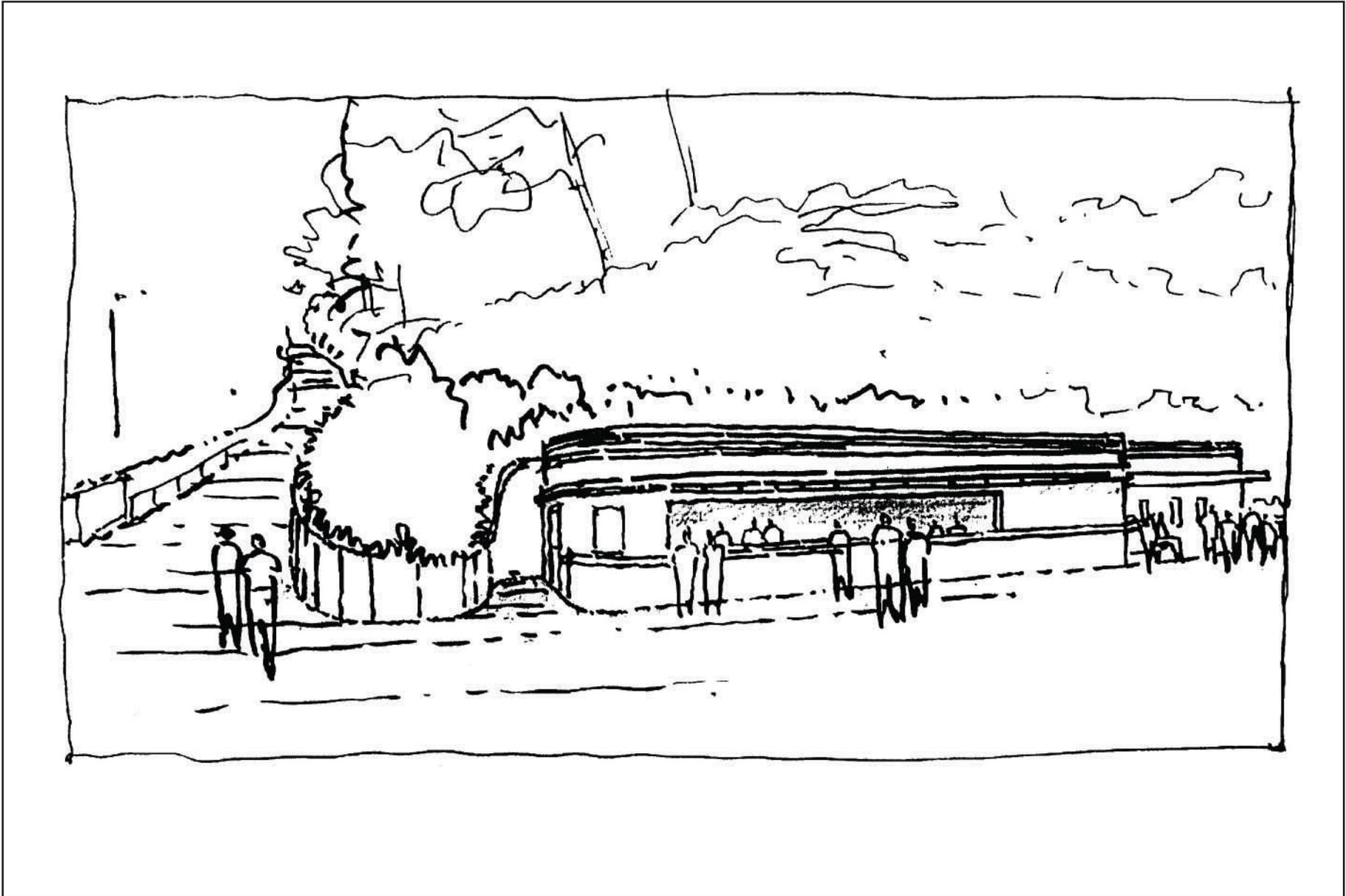


FIGURE 2.1-1
Illustration of Adopted Concession Stand No. 4

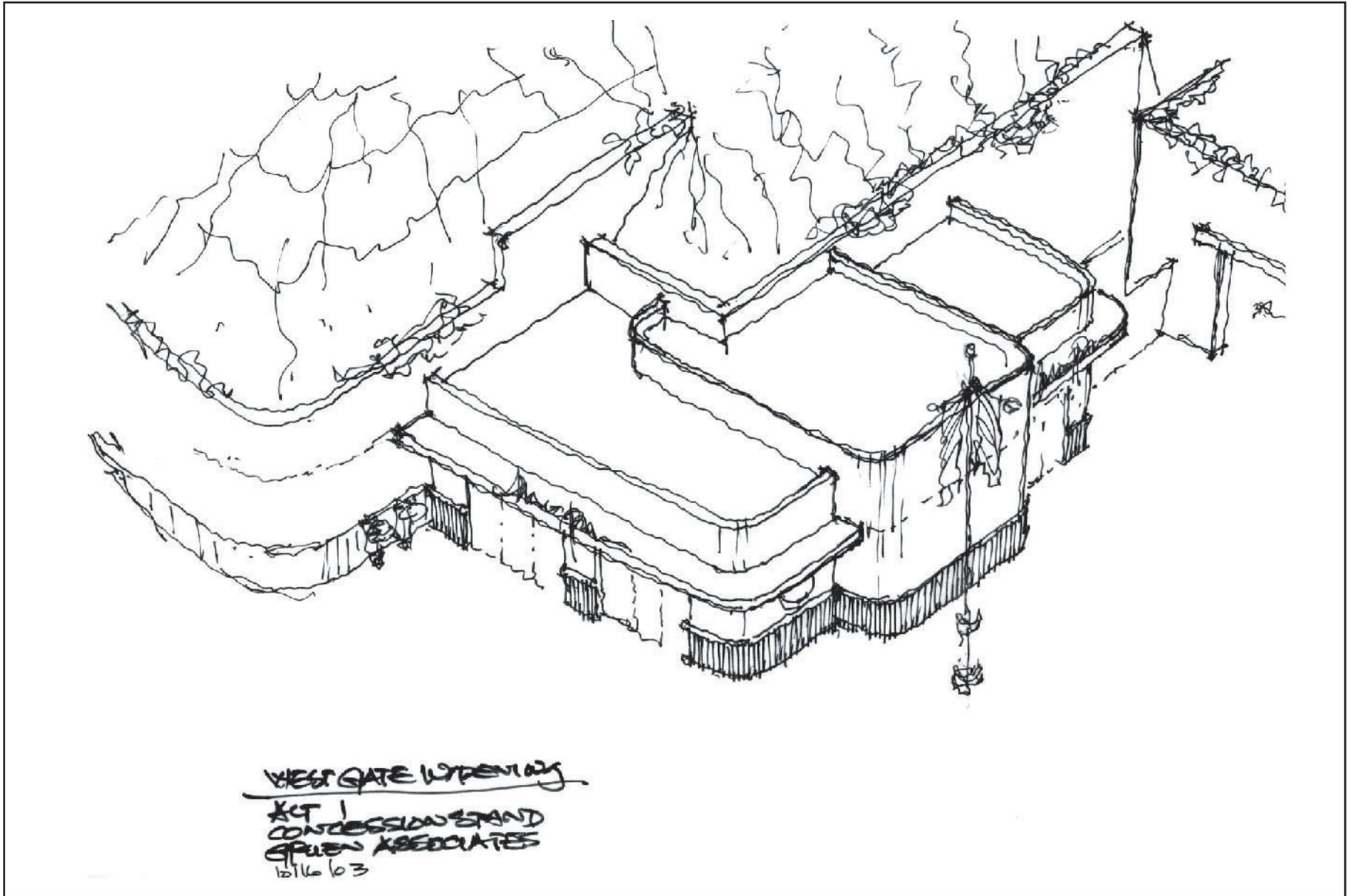


FIGURE 2.1-2
Schematic Drawing of Refined Concession Stand No. 4

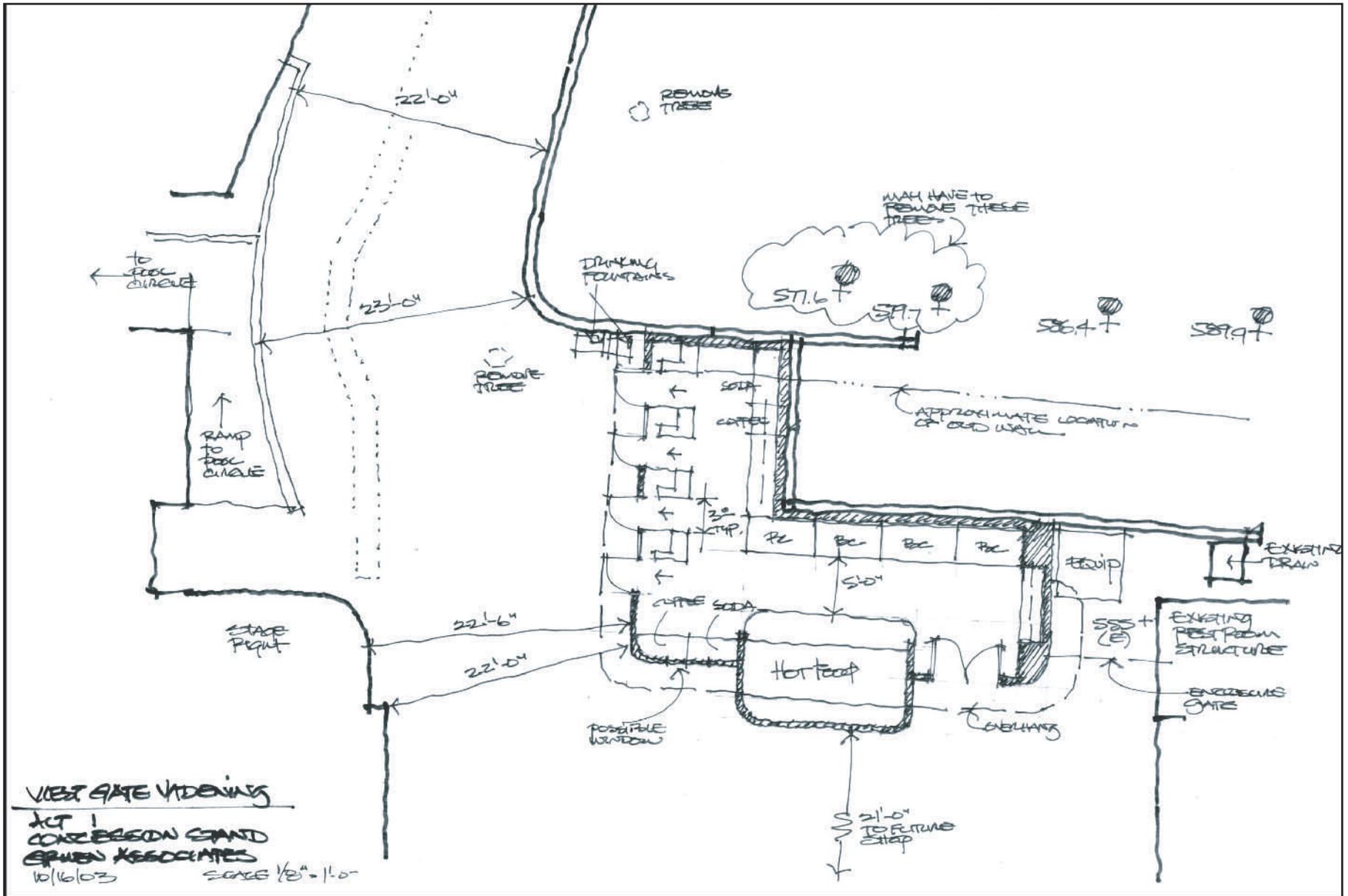


FIGURE 2.1-3
Site Plan of Refined Concession Stand No. 4

Both the adopted design and the refined design require the concession stand to be set back into the north descending slope just east and south of the existing adjacent restroom, which in turn requires retaining walls along the south side of the concession stand. The adopted design requires a straight 40- to 45-foot-long retaining wall about 20 feet high that would blend into the existing retaining wall on the east. The adopted retaining wall design would require approximately 200 cubic yards of excavation, all of which would be balanced on site and would not generate any additional vehicular emissions from construction trips on surface streets. The refined Concession Stand No. 4 design would require a revision to the retaining wall design. The revised retaining wall design would consist of Option A Retaining Wall Design or Option B Retaining Wall Design as described below. Both options are analyzed in this Addendum in order to allow flexibility in implementation.

Option A Retaining Wall Design

The retaining wall in Option A is about 70 to 75 linear feet in length and ranges in height from about 7 to 23 feet (Figure 2.1-4, *Option A Retaining Wall Plan*). To accommodate the L-shape of the concession stand, three retaining wall sections are required: the first, about 16 feet high extending east from the restroom; the second, joining the first and extending south into the slope face; and the third, extending east again then south to merge with the existing retaining wall along the pedestrian walkway. Preliminary estimates suggest that Option A would require slightly less excavation volume than the adopted design, but both volumes are small and neither is significant compared to the overall project.

Option B Retaining Wall Design

The retaining wall in Option B is also about 70 to 75 linear feet in length and would consist of retaining wall sections similar to those described in Option A above (Figure 2.1-5, *Option B Retaining Wall Plan*). The retaining wall in Option B is anticipated to be shorter than that described in Option A. Nonetheless, this analysis considers the maximum height to be 23 feet, thus providing a reasonable worst-case scenario. A shorter retaining wall requires additional excavation. Preliminary estimates suggest that Option B would require approximately 400 cubic yards of excavation, which is not significant compared to the overall project. However, 200 cubic yards would need to be transported off site, requiring approximately 20 truck trips.

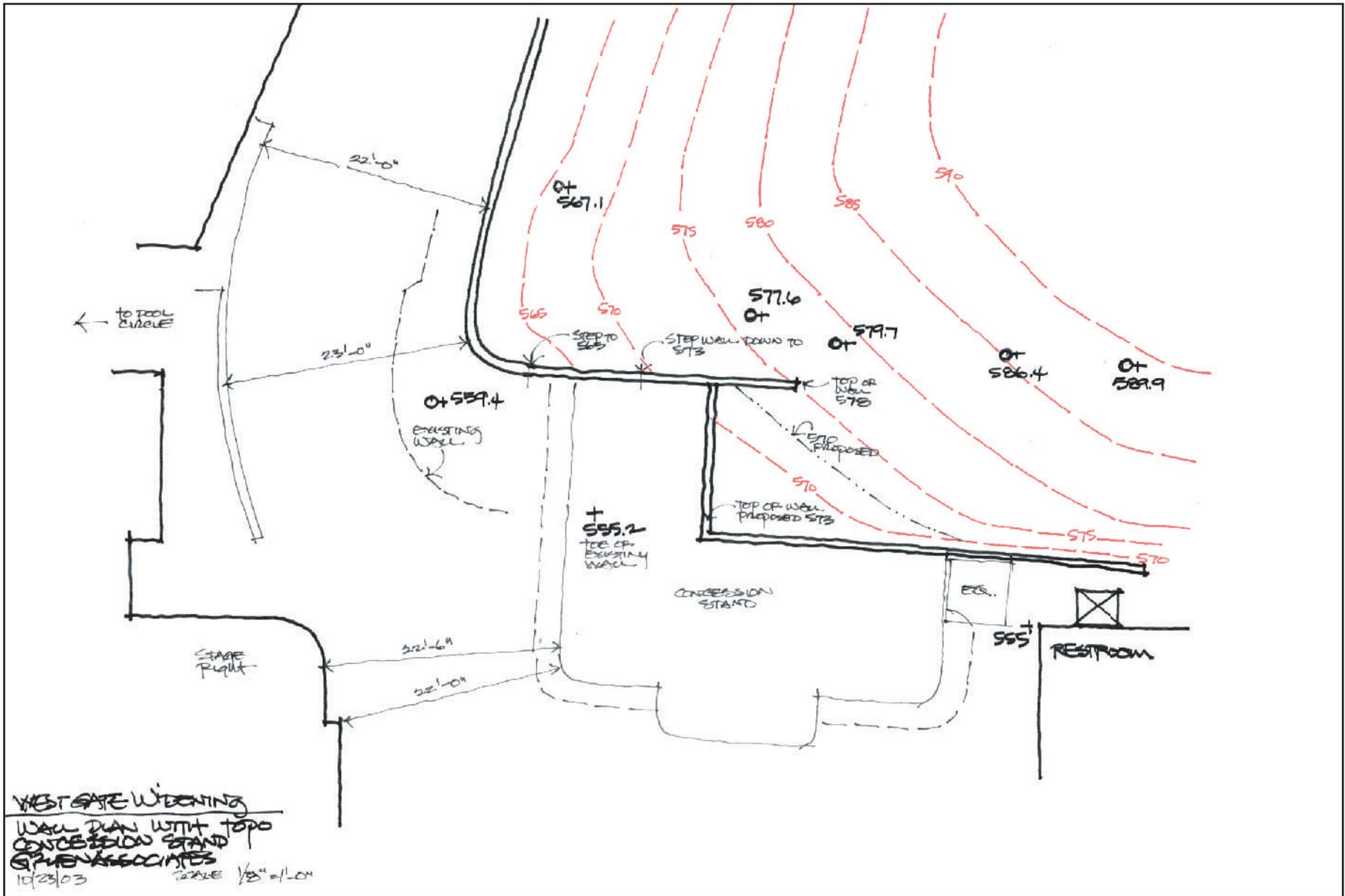


FIGURE 2.1-4
 Option A Retaining Wall Plan

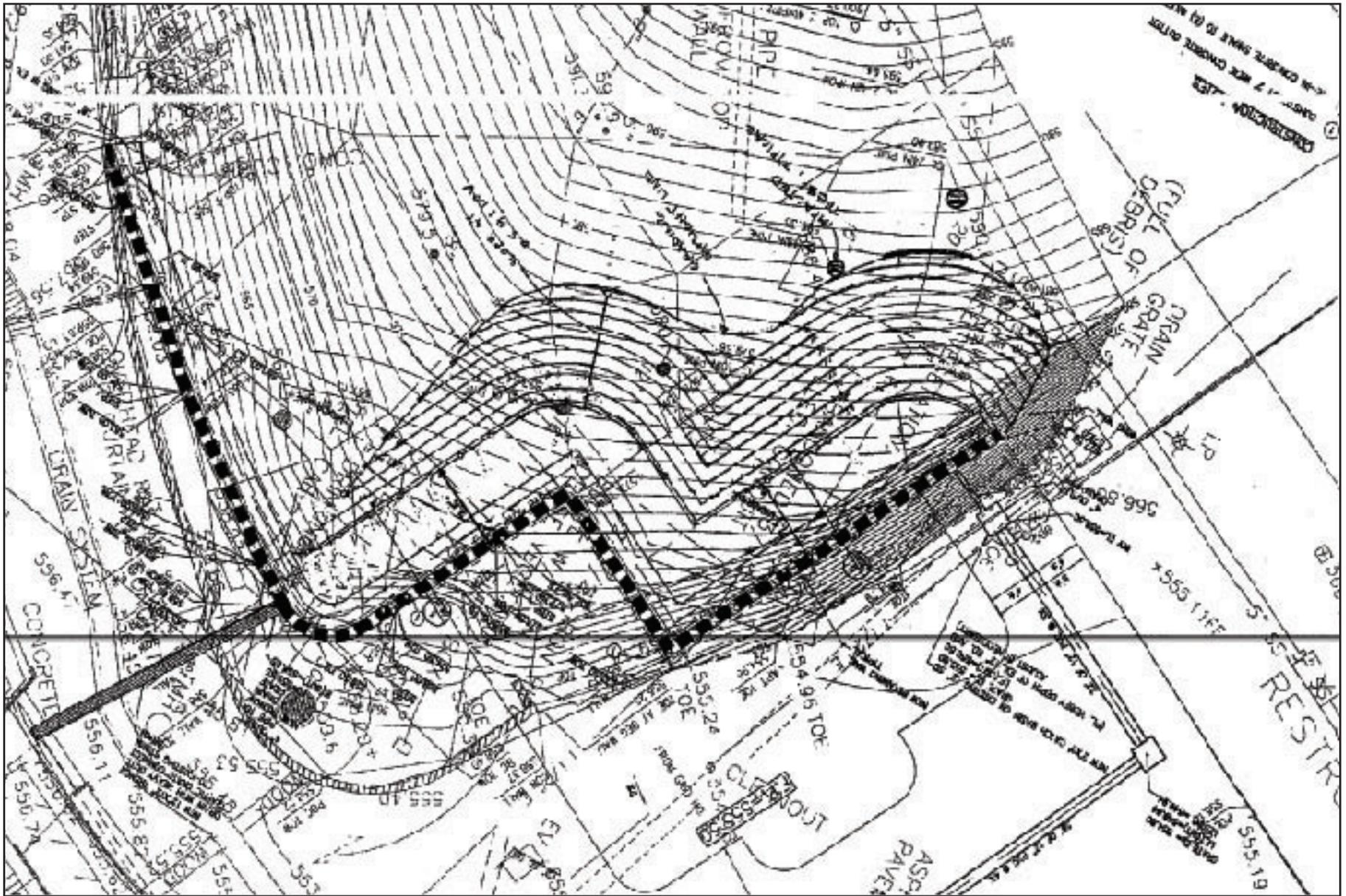


FIGURE 2.1-5
Option B Retaining Wall Plan

SECTION 3.0
ANALYSIS OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS
CAUSED BY THE REFINED PROJECT

This section of Addendum No. 1 analyzes the potential environmental impacts caused by the refinements to the project. The refinements to the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element do not constitute a “substantial change” under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). This section analyzes and confirms that the refinements to the project discussed in Section 2.0 do not result in any new or more significant environmental impacts that would require major revisions to the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND).

3.1 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The results of the analysis of environmental impacts undertaken in the MND would remain the same for all issue areas analyzed. The scope of potential environmental impacts for this Addendum No. 1 was determined by applying the environmental checklist contained in Appendix G of the State CEQA Guidelines to the refined project description.

Aesthetics

The proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to aesthetics. As described in the MND, the implementation of the project would not have a significant impact on an existing designated scenic vista or a State-designated scenic highway. The implementation of the project would not substantially degrade the existing visual character or quality of the site or its surroundings, and it would not create a new source of light or glare. The additional square footage would be incorporated into an L-shaped building designed to be consistent with the Hollywood Bowl Design Guidelines, similar to that described in the MND. The refined Concession Stand No. 4 would generate less glare than the adopted Concession Stand No. 4 design, primarily due to the lack of three large concession windows on the south elevation that were proposed in the adopted Concession Stand No. 4 design. These windows would be replaced by three sets of glass doors—one set on the south elevation and two sets on the west elevation—with less surface area than the windows proposed in the adopted Concession Stand No. 4 design. Both retaining wall options consist of a shorter retaining wall than the adopted design. Therefore, the proposed refinements are not be expected to result in new or more significant impacts related to aesthetics or a change to the environmental impact analysis undertaken in the MND.

Air Quality

The proposed project would not result in significant impacts related to air quality. For the purpose of this analysis, construction for the retaining wall and concession stand were considered to occur concurrently, thus providing a reasonable worst-case scenario for the purpose of impact assessment.

Preliminary estimates suggest that the Option A Retaining Wall Design would require slightly less excavation volume than the adopted design, but both volumes are small and neither is significant compared to the overall project. Preliminary estimates suggest that Option B would require approximately 400 cubic yards of excavation, which is not significant compared to the overall project. However, 200 cubic yards would need to be transported off site, requiring approximately 20 truck trips.

Option B requires less soil export than the maximum export of 1,000 cubic yards of dirt described for the back-of-house facilities element of the *Hollywood Bowl Back-of-House and Patron Facilities Enhancement Project*,¹ which was determined to be less than significant with the incorporation of mitigation measures. Mitigation measures have been incorporated into the MND, and therefore, the proposed refinements would not be expected to result in new or more significant impacts related to air quality or a change to the environmental impact analysis undertaken in the MND.

Geology and Soils

The MND determined that there would be no significant impacts related to geology and soils with the implementation of mitigation measures Geology-1 through Geology-10.

Option A Retaining Wall Design

The retaining wall in Option A is about 70 linear feet to 75 linear feet in length and ranges in height from about 7 to 23 feet. Preliminary estimates indicate that the project refinements would not require additional excavation volume than the adopted Concession Stand No. 4. A geotechnical expert from Wilson Geosciences reviewed the MND, the geotechnical reports prepared for the project site, and the proposed project refinements and found, based on the available information, that the proposed refinements would not result in new or more significant impacts related to geology and soils than the adopted design with the implementation of the mitigation measures identified in the MND² (Attachment 1, November 14, 2003, Letter from Wilson Geosciences).

Option B Retaining Wall Design

The retaining wall in Option B is also about 70 to 75 linear feet in length and has a maximum height of 23 feet. Preliminary estimates suggest that Option B would require approximately 400 cubic yards of

¹ County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation. 1999. *Hollywood Bowl Back-of-House and Patron Facilities Enhancement Project*, 3.3-1 to 3.3-8. Contact: Kenneth Hahn, Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Room 754, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Prepared by: Sapphos Environmental, Inc., 133 Martin Alley, Pasadena, CA 91105.

² Wilson, Ken. 14 November 2003. *Geology and Soil Technical Input: Addendum No.1 to the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration Renovations to the Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities, Los Angeles, California*. Contact: Wilson Geosciences, 1910 Pinecrest Drive, Altadena, CA 91001.

excavation, but is not significant compared to the overall project. A geotechnical expert from Wilson Geosciences reported that adopted mitigation measures address conformance with the geology and soils information that was relied upon for the adopted MND and require the retaining wall configuration to be designed based on location-specific engineering, geologic, and geotechnical data. Further, mitigation measures require compliance with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works³ (Attachment 2, *November 18, 2003, Project Memorandum from Davy & Associates, Inc.*). Therefore, Option B would not result in new or more significant impacts related to geology and soils than the adopted design.

Noise

The MND determined that there would be no significant impacts related to noise, and no mitigation measures are required. The project design does not include any roof-mounted equipment that could be a source of additional noise. Mechanical equipment would be located in a mechanical equipment enclosure on the west side of refined Concession Stand No. 4. This area is located between the concession stand and the existing restroom building, removed from the Hollywood Bowl seating area and stage. In addition, exhaust fans are currently located on the restroom building where the noise level does not interfere with either the audience or stage acoustics. Therefore, the addition of the mechanical equipment enclosure would not be expected to result in new or more significant impacts related to noise or a change to the environmental impact analysis undertaken in the MND.

A noise expert from Davy & Associates, Inc. reviewed the MND, the acoustical information for the project site, and the proposed project refinements and found, based on the available information, that the proposed refinements would not result in new or more significant impacts related to noise than the adopted design.⁴ The only portion of the retaining wall that is perpendicular to the stage in both retaining wall design options is a round corner that would scatter the sound in all directions. Additionally, the one-story building between the proposed retaining wall and the stage would attenuate any noise that may be reflected off the retaining wall.

Traffic/Circulation

The west gate area is a confluence of several circulation patterns. People use this area to enter and exit the Hollywood Bowl, purchase food, access the restrooms, or simply socialize. The primary objective of this element of the Renovations to the Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities MND is to improve the efficiency of service to patrons and reduce congestion in the vicinity of the west gate. The adopted Concession Stand No. 4, as described under the MND, allows concession patrons to form a queue in front of both the concession window and the restroom building. The proposed design eliminates the queue in front of the restroom building by accommodating patrons inside the concession building. Overflow

³ Ibid.

⁴ Davy, Bruce. 18 November 2003. *Hollywood Bowl Concession Stand No. 4, Retaining Wall Sound Reflection*. Contact: Davy & Associates, Inc., 2627 Manhattan Beach Boulevard, Suite 212, Redondo Beach, CA 90278-1604.

patrons would queue along the front of the building in the area designated by a temporary and removable guardrail and signage, further improving circulation in the area. Therefore, the proposed project would not be expected to result in new or more significant circulation impacts related to pedestrian flow.

For the purpose of this analysis, construction for the retaining wall and concession stand were considered to occur concurrently, thus providing a reasonable worst case scenario for the purpose of impact assessment.

Retaining wall design Option B would require approximately 20 truck trips to transport 200 cubic yards of soil off site. Assuming a reasonable worst-case scenario in which all 20 truck trips would occur on the same day during the peak construction period, Option B would still require less than the maximum number of daily construction trips described for the back-of-house facilities element of the *Hollywood Bowl Back-of-House and Patron Facilities Enhancement Project*,⁵ which was determined to be less than significant. Further, mitigation measure Traffic/Transportation-1 requires compliance with a detailed work-site traffic control plan. Therefore, the proposed refinements would not be expected to result in new or more significant impacts related to traffic/transportation or a change to the environmental impact analysis undertaken in the MND.

3.2 MITIGATION MEASURES

Mitigation measures as described in the MND would remain the same for all issue areas. The refinements to the project description would not create any new significant impacts in addition to those identified in the MND; therefore, additional mitigation measures would not be required.

3.3 LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE AFTER PROJECT REFINEMENTS

Implementation of the refinements to the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element described in Section 2.0 would not affect the level of significance after mitigation, as described in the MND.

⁵ County of Los Angeles Department of Parks and Recreation. 1999. *Hollywood Bowl Back-of-House and Patron Facilities Enhancement Project*, 3.15-1 to 3.15-3. Contact: Kenneth Hahn, Hall of Administration, 500 West Temple Street, Room 754, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Prepared by: Sapphos Environmental, Inc., 133 Martin Alley, Pasadena, CA 91105.

SECTION 4.0

FINDINGS

This Addendum No. 1 has evaluated the potential environmental impacts associated with the project refinements described in Section 2.0. Based on the analysis contained in Section 3.0, it has been determined that the refinements to the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element of the Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), as discussed in Section 2.0, neither create new or more significant environmental impacts nor require any major revisions to the MND.

Under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Section 15164, an Addendum to an MND is the appropriate form of document for a project change if none of the conditions described in Section 15162, calling for preparation of a Subsequent MND, have occurred.

The conditions requiring the preparation of a Subsequent MND, which do not exist for the proposed refinements of the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4, are defined in Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines:

- The project will have one or more significant effects not discussed previously in the MND.
- Significant effects previously examined will be substantially more severe than those shown in the MND.
- Mitigation measures or alternatives previously found to be unfeasible would, in fact, be feasible and would substantially reduce one or more significant effects of the project.
- Mitigation measures or alternatives that were not previously considered in the MND would substantially lessen one or more significant effects on the environment.

As a result of the analysis undertaken by the Los Angeles Philharmonic Association in Section 3.0, the County of Los Angeles has concluded that the refinements to the Relocation and Enhancement of Concession Stand No. 4 element do not materially differ from the project adopted in the MND; therefore, none of the conditions defined in Section 15162 of the State CEQA Guidelines would occur as a result of the implementation of the proposed refinements. Refinements to the project description are consistent with the requirements of CEQA and do not raise new or more significant effects to the environment. The MND analysis comprehensively discloses those environmental impacts that would be anticipated in association with the construction and operation of the Renovations to the Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities.

Therefore, the County has concluded that a Subsequent MND, or any follow-up MND, is not required and that an Addendum to the MND is the appropriate CEQA compliance document for approval of the refinements to the project description. This finding is made pursuant to and in compliance with the State CEQA Guidelines, Section 15164 (e).

ATTACHMENT 1
NOVEMBER 14, 2003, LETTER FROM WILSON GEOSCIENCES

WILSON GEOSCIENCES

Engineering and Environmental Geology

November 14, 2003

Martha Neder
Project Manager
Sapphos Environmental
133 Martin Alley
Pasadena, California 91105

Subject: GEOLOGY AND SOIL TECHNICAL INPUT: Addendum No. 1 to the Final Mitigated Negative Declaration—Renovations to the Hollywood Bowl Food and Beverage Facilities, Los Angeles, California

Dear Ms. Neder:

Introduction: Sapphos Environmental Inc. has requested geology and soils technical input with regard to a new option for the design and construction of Concession Stand No. 4 across the west gate concourse. Due to the increase in concession stand floor area from 440 to approximately 1000 square feet, and the need to maintain an open pedestrian traffic flow, the new option is L-shaped and requires a maximum 23-foot high retaining wall. The adopted option is a linear design with a 20-foot high retaining wall.

The adopted mitigated negative declaration (MND) has a Geology and Soils section that provides a checklist discussion (pages 3.6-1 through 3.6-4) and five mitigation measures for the adopted concession stand configuration. Previous reports relied upon for the analyses are as follows:

1. *Preliminary Geologic Exploration Master Plan for the Hollywood Bowl Stage Right Expansion Proposed Concession Stand and Pedestrian Walk Widening* (3D/International, 2001)
2. *Preliminary Geologic Exploration Master Plan for the Hollywood Bowl* (Kovacs-Byer and Associates Inc., 1987)
3. *Geotechnical Engineering Investigation for Proposed Hollywood Bowl Renovation* (Kovacs and Associates Inc., 1999a)
4. *Results of Corrosion Testing for Proposed Hollywood Bowl Renovation Project* (Kovacs and Associates Inc., 1999b)
5. *Geotechnical Investigation for Proposed Hollywood Bowl Renovation Project, Draft* (Leighton and Associates, 1994)
6. *Seismic Hazard Zones Maps* (State of California, 1999)

We made a cursory review of reports 2, 5, and 6, as well as the following additional reports:

7. *Geotechnical Investigation Retaining Walls in Picnic Area No. 11 and adjacent to Ticket Booth/Entrance Hollywood Bowl, County of Los Angeles, California* (Pacific Soils Engineering Inc., 1993)
8. *Geotechnical Recommendations for Phase II Hollywood Bowl Renovation Project, Los Angeles, California* (Leighton and Associates, 1995)
9. *Geotechnical Engineering Report Proposed West Escalators Hollywood Bowl, Hollywood, California* (GeoSoils, Inc., 1997)

10. *Appendix F- Geotechnical Engineering Investigation Hollywood Bowl Stage Right Expansions, Proposed Concession Stand and Pedestrian Walk Widening* (Geotechnologies, Inc., 2001)

Technical Comments: The Geotechnologies, Inc. (2001, Appendix F) report contains the geology and soils information that was relied upon for the adopted MND. Their work considered a 1994 geotechnical report by Leighton & Associates dated June 1, 1994 (not available for this review) that appears to have been the final of report number 5 in the list above. Geotechnologies Inc. also performed site investigation (one boring and six test pits) and laboratory testing in support of their analysis and conclusions. For purposes of this evaluation we have assumed that the Geotechnologies Inc. report is an adequate basis for the MND and we have used their report along with supplemental information gained from selected portions of the other nine reports.

The important issues that might be affected by changing from the adopted concession stand to the new option are the retaining walls and the support foundations for the building. Support foundations for the building must be founded in the basalt bedrock for the adopted and new option designs. The new option design would extend less distance to the east and more distance to the north than the adopted design. This configuration should encounter slightly shallower bedrock to the east and slightly deeper bedrock to the north, which would overall be no significant change with regard to (a) the amount of material removed for foundation excavation and (b) the associated construction effort. Adopted mitigation measure Geology-8 addresses conformance with the Geotechnologies Inc. (2001, Appendix F) foundation design recommendations with regard to potentially unstable fill materials and the need for compliance with County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works requirements. Therefore, the new option would not result in new or more significant impacts related to geology and soils than the adopted design.

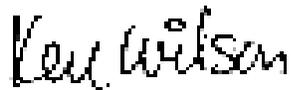
Both the adopted design and the new option design require the concession stand to be set back into the north descending slope just east and south of the existing adjacent restroom, which in turn requires retaining walls along the south side of the concession stand. The adopted design requires a straight 40- to 45-foot long retaining wall about 20-feet high that would blend into the existing retaining wall on the east. The new design retaining wall is about 70 to 75 lineal feet in length and ranges in height from about 7- to 23-feet. To accommodate the L-shape of the concession stand, three retaining wall sections are required, the first about 16-feet high extending east from the restroom, the second joining the first and extending south into the slope face, and the third extending east again then south to merge with the existing retaining wall along the pedestrian walkway. Preliminary estimates suggest that the new design will require slightly less excavation volume than the adopted design, but both volumes are small and neither is significant compared to the overall project.

The adopted and new retaining wall configurations must be designed based on location-specific engineering geologic and geotechnical data; Geotechnologies Inc. (2001, Appendix F) provides some information in this regard. Although both wall configurations are high and require in-construction shoring and substantial foundations, they are well within the state-of-the-practice for geotechnical and structural engineering. Adopted mitigation measures Geology-6 and -7 address conformance with the Geotechnologies Inc. (2001, Appendix F) requirements related to seismic parameters and potential for slope instability, and the need for compliance with County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works requirements. The plan review process with the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works will require additional engineering geology and geotechnical information and analysis in order to refine the design for the new retaining wall configuration. Therefore, the new option would not result in new or more significant impacts related to geology and soils than the adopted design.

Conclusions: With respect to subsequent engineering geology and geotechnical information and analysis, report numbers 2 and 8 above provide data that should be considered in the characterization of the geology for the ridge and slope into which the new Concession Stand No. 4 retaining wall would be placed. These data indicate that the character of the basalt bedrock includes planar features that may contribute to slope weakness, and affect shoring and retaining wall design. This information (Leighton & Associates, 1995) includes down hole joint pattern measurements (Boring 9), surface bedding measurements (Plate 1), and fault location information (Plate 1), all of which suggest rock characteristics that may affect the analyses needed (e.g., non-circular block-type slope stability analysis) for design and construction of the new retaining wall. Location-specific measurements of basalt bedrock properties beyond those presented in the Geotechnologies Inc. (2001, Appendix F) report may well be necessary.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ken Wilson". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Kenneth Wilson
Principal Geologist
R. G. #3175, C. E. G. #928

*ATTACHMENT 2
NOVEMBER 18, 2003, PROJECT MEMORANDUM
FROM DAVY & ASSOCIATES, INC.*

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PROJECT MEMORANDUM

TO: MARTHA NEDER
FROM: BRUCE DAVY
PROJECT: HOLLYWOOD BOWL CONCESSION STAND No. 4
DATE: NOVEMBER 18, 2003
JN: 2003-135
MEMO NO: P2003-135-1
SUBJECT: RETAINING WALL SOUND REFLECTIONS

1. In accordance with your request, we have reviewed the sketches for Alternate 1 for Concession Stand No. 4. This is the "L-shaped" option by Gruen Associates, dated October 16, 2003. Additionally, we visited the site on November 18, 2003 and inspected the proposed construction site with Greg Wade of Matt Construction.
2. Following this review and site visit, our conclusion is that there will be no significant acoustic reflections from the new Retaining Wall to the Stage. The only portion of the wall that is perpendicular to the Stage is the round corner inside the existing oak tree. This rounded corner will diffuse any sound coming from the Stage or from people leaving the Concession Stand. This rounded corner will scatter the sound in all directions.
3. Additionally, there will be a one-story building identified as Stage Right between the new Retaining Wall and the Stage. This building will attenuate any noise that might be reflected off the new Retaining Wall.

4. If there is a serious concern about reflections from the new Retaining Wall, the Wall can be covered with Tectum to minimize noise reflections. Tectum is a wood fiber product that can be utilized to absorb sound. During the 1980's Tectum was utilized on all of the stage walls facing the Stage at the open air Universal Studios Amphitheatre. These walls were perpendicular to the Stage and could have resulted in significant sound reflections back to the Stage.
5. Tectum is not an approved material for exterior use. However, it has been installed on a number of projects in Southern California and typically lasts for more than 10 years if installed properly. It should be installed on hat channels to provide a minimum 3/4" air space between the Tectum panels and the Retaining Wall. There should be a flashing at the top of the Tectum panels and the bottom of the panels should not be less than 24" above the ground. Tectum panels can be ordered from the factory with a silicone spray treatment or they can be sprayed with silicone prior to installation.
6. Based on our site visit and analysis of the sketch for the proposed new Concession Stand, we do not think that the Retaining Wall will result in significant sound reflections to the Stage.

Bruce A. Davy, P.E.
Davy & Associates, Inc.
I.N.C.E. Board Certified

Distribution: Martha Neder

February 4, 2004

ENCLOSURE B

**HOLLYWOOD BOWL RENOVATION PROJECTS:
APPROVE ADDENDUM 1 TO THE
MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION FOR THE
RENOVATIONS TO HOLLYWOOD BOWL FOOD AND
BEVERAGE FACILITIES PROJECT; AND
APPROVE REVISED PROJECT BUDGET FOR THE
HOLLYWOOD BOWL SHELL REHABILITATION AND
ACOUSTICAL IMPROVEMENTS AND THE BACK-OF-HOUSE
ENHANCEMENT PROJECT ELEMENTS**

APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REQUEST FOR APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT

DEPT'S. No. 060

DEPARTMENT OF Chief Administrative Officer

Feb. 4, 2004 ~~xxx~~

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER.

THE FOLLOWING APPROPRIATION ADJUSTMENT IS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THIS DEPARTMENT. WILL YOU PLEASE REPORT AS TO ACCOUNTING AND AVAILABLE BALANCES AND FORWARD TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR HIS RECOMMENDATION OR ACTION.

ADJUSTMENT REQUESTED AND REASONS THEREFOR

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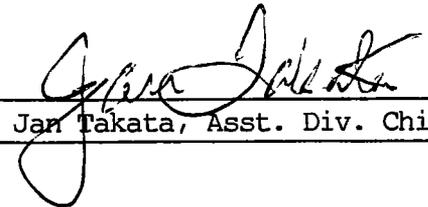
Extraordinary Maintenance
Services & Supplies
A01 - BS - 12810 - 2000
\$701,000 Decreases Appropriation

Capital Projects/Refurbishments
Various Third District Improvements
Building & Improvements
A01 - CP - 77045 - 6014
\$268,000 Decreases Appropriation

FINANCIAL USES

Capital Projects/Refurbishments
Hollywood Bowl Shell Rehabilitation
Building & Improvements
A01 - ~~CP~~PK 77090 - 6014
\$969,000 Increases Appropriation

JUSTIFICATION: This adjustment is necessary to provide increased funding to the project for the restoration of project scope items that were previously deleted for value engineering purposes.


Jan Takata, Asst. Div. Chief CAO

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

ok M. Veccotere

REFERRED TO THE CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER FOR

ACTION

APPROVED AS REQUESTED

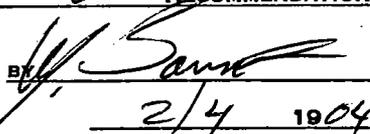
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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

AUDITOR-CONTROLLER


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APPROVED (AS REVISED):
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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DEPUTY COUNTY CLERK