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Good morning.

My name is Craig Morrison; I am a registered architect and consultant to Landmark West! and the opposition in this matter.

Responding to Charles A. Platt's submission of March 28, 2008, as it may refer to my prior submissions, I reiterate those submissions, which are in no way contraindicated by Mr. Platt's latest letter.

- 1. All of CSI's programmatic needs as shown in Mr. Platt's drawings of December 27, 2007 (filed December 28) can easily be satisfied in an as-of-right building along, and certainly with other buildings on the zoning site, as reflected in As-Of-Right Schemes A, B, and C prepared by Mr. Platt on October 22, 2007 (filed October 27).
- 2. All programmatic educational needs can be satisfied on floors 2 through 4 of the proposed as-of-right buildings without need of variances.
- CSI's accessibility needs can be met easily in the areas marked on my previous Opposition Exhibit GG-12. It appears that the only required change is to replace the existing elevator with one that is ADA-compliant and that extends to the cellar levels. I note that CSI does not claim that the existing elevator, even though it may not be fully ADA-compliant, cannot accommodate most wheelchairs

My submission makes no attempt to redesign the proposed facility, only to demonstrate that an as-of-right envelope, combined with other facilities on the zoning site, contains far more than sufficient space within which to house the Congregation's mission. My graphics are only to support the fact of sufficient space, not to propose alternative room layouts and assignments.

Regarding the few specific attacks:

<u>Rabbi's office</u>: While the Rabbi needs a private office to oversee the affairs of this large organization, as its spiritual leader he probably will do some tutoring, very possibly in the comfort of his office.

<u>Movable partitions</u>: These are presented only as a suggestion. They are used widely, in facilities of every type, to obtain the flexibility that the Synagogue's program indicates.

<u>Babysitting Room</u>: It seems ironic that a room labeled "babysitting" is unsuitable for what is essentially a babysitting function but, as stated above, I only attempt to show the fact of sufficient space. If this room doesn't work for toddlers, use it for something else.

<u>Code allowances</u>: While my first submission referenced code minima, my revision was based upon a much higher space allocation allowance.

Two general statements:

- 1. None of CSI's presentations considers the mission availability of the many spaces in the existing Synagogue. Note that pages 9 through 13 of Mr. Friedman's Statement dated December 28, 2007 describe programmatic use of the Levy Auditorium, Rabbi's and/or Cantor's offices, and the Elias Room.
- CSI does not assign floors five and six of an as-of-right building for programmatic use. No
 justification is provided as to why the caretaker cannot be housed in the existing
 Parsonage.

The drawings submitted by CSI are clear that an as-of-right building provides sufficient space to satisfy the claimed needs. Even without a personal inspection, which was requested two months ago, the Board should accept from me all reasonable inferences to be made from CSI's drawings and other statements.

Thank you.