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You're Invited: Planning 101

Here at TPC Architects we are committed to planning! Even a casual reader of our monthly newsletters will smile at that statement. In fact, we are so committed that we'll go to great lengths to make the planning process simple for our clients. We have created various planning tools, many of them interactive, that help our clients plan wisely and effectively.

In partnership with civil engineering firm RFE Engineering we are conducting a *Church Development Seminar* on Friday, September 21st at our office in Roseville, CA. Consider this a "Planning 101" course. Perhaps some of you are planning on attending this condensed, two hour session. Space is limited, so please call our office if you're interested. Today's newsletter provides you with a brief overview of the topics we will cover:

Perspective On Growth

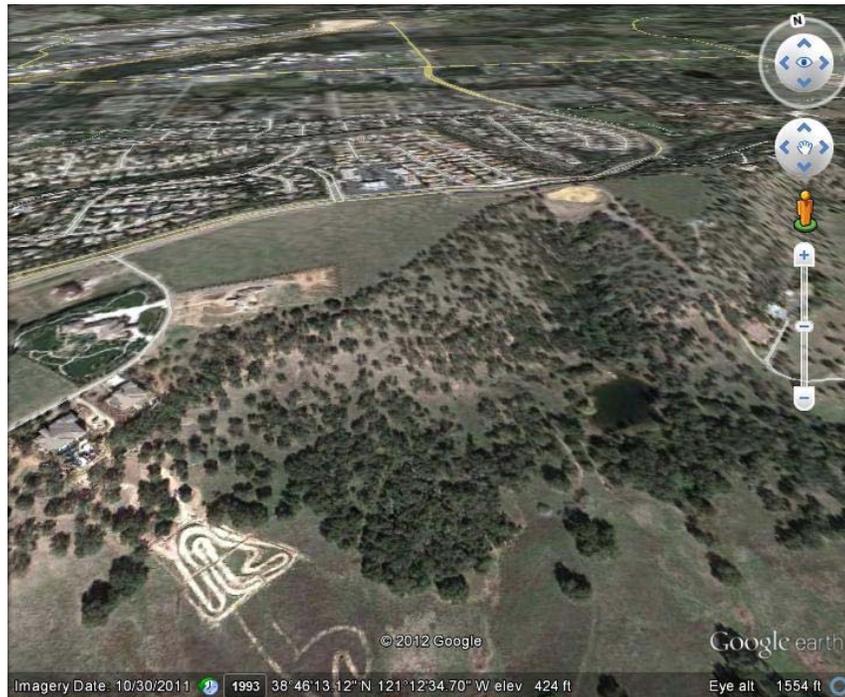
What can you learn from others' experiences? We asked some pastors a few questions and found their responses helpful. We asked questions like:

- What worked?
- What were the challenges?
- How did God convince you it was time to plan and build?
- What was a major obstacle that you had to overcome to accomplish your project?
- How did you select your development team?
- What impact has your completed project had on the ministry of your church?

The answers offer a perspective from those who have gone before.

Site Selection

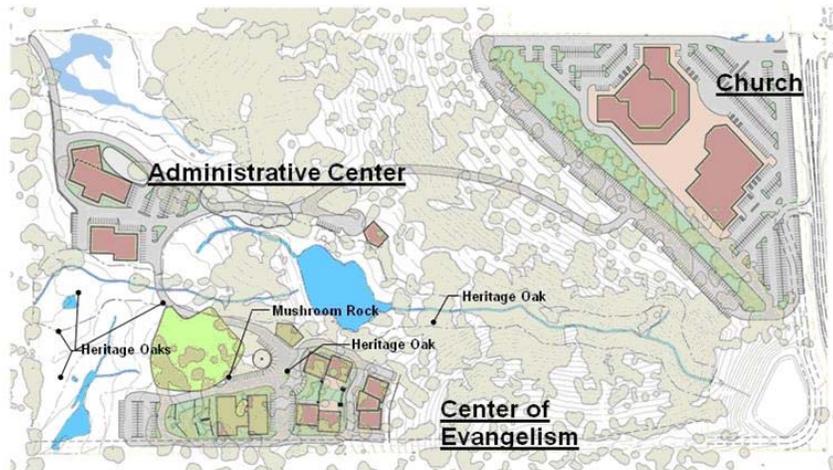
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How would you evaluate this site?

Every site has a combination of topography, environmental restrictions, slope, tree cover, setbacks, utilities, and other factors. Many of these site characteristics will be "invisible" to you. We will help you to look for the unseen qualities and challenges of a site.

Master Planning



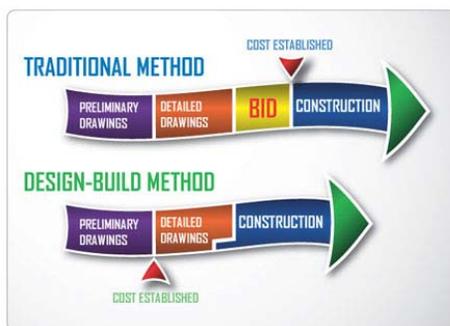
A well conceived plan begins with a ministry master plan (present and future activities), and includes feasibility studies to explore development potential. We will show the value of ministry master planning and the tools we use to help churches focus their needs.

Conceptual Design



This facility design will start as a series of site plans, floor plans, 3D imaging and sometimes animation. Conceptual design is an exciting phase of the process. See and hear the lively nature of conceptual design, as well as it's limitations.

Construction Options and Delivery Systems



You have likely heard some of the terminology such as "design-build." What do they really mean? We will bring clarity and understanding to the project deliver process.

Financial Planning (including fund raising)



Now the rubber meets the road! Capital campaigns, borrowing from conventional banks, denominational lenders, independent lenders; are there other options? We'll tell you about the

different options churches have for meeting their building project financial goals.

As you contemplate your church's needs and consider the planning process, we encourage you to learn the basics. Perhaps "Planning 101" is for you!

May the Lord bless you in your planning and your ministry!

I encourage you to contact me personally with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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