ST. JAMES ARMENIAN CHURCH

REPORT OF BUILDING COMMITTEE -- 1985

The Building Committee consists of:

George Davidian, Chairman Ara Shimshidian, Vice-Chairman Edward Essayan, Secretary Ohan Bas Garo Bashian Anahid Birnbaum Vincent Gurahian Jack Hachigian Daniel Mushegian Apkar Omartian Michael Pisani Hayik Tutak

The following are the sub-committees and their members:

Architectural & Site Review: Edward Essayan, Chairman, Apkar Omartian, Michael Pisani, Berge Derdiarian, Hayik Tutak

Fund Raising: Daniel Mushegian, Chairman, Harry Keleshian, George Leylegian, Ohan Bas, Alfred Yeznaian.

Legal: Ara Shimshidian, Chairman, Gary Bashian, Edmund Papazian, Greg Essayan, Hon. Vincent Gurahian, Berge Boghosian.

Public Relations & Publicity: Ann D. Boghosian, Chairperson.

The Building Committee authorized the Architectural Sub-committee to pursue the search for a new architect, after the architect first selected withdrew. The sub-committee interviewed three architects and made numerous visitations to representative churches in four states -- New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Massachusetts. Final selection of an architect is anticipated to be made within the next several weeks.

In order to provide a framework within which to proceed, the Building Committee established the following Ten Stage Building Program:

- 1. Topographical survey of property.
- 2. Determining what is needed in the structure and the site. (This includes facilities, etc., for church organizations.)
 - 3. Establishing a budget.
 - 4. Hiring an architect.
 - 5. Master Plan from architect.
 - 6. Preliminaries (floor plans, elevations, etc.) from architect.
 - Present preliminary plans to Parish Assembly.
 - Reconsider budget at this time?
 - 7. Design development.
 - 8. Preparation of working drawings, specs, bidding documents by architect.
 - 9. Receipt of Bids.
- 10. Construction.

A letter was sent to all church organizations requesting their space requirements in the planned complex.

Based on the success of the fund raising efforts to date, the committee is cautiously considering the expansion of the scope of the contemplated project, possibly to include a hall and renovation of currently existing structures, subject to the approval of the Parish Assembly.

When a viable overall plan, acceptable to the Building Committee and approved by the Parish Council, is developed, it will be presented to a special Parish Assembly for its approval.

Respectfully submitted,

George Davidian, Chairman Edward Essayan, Secreta