



DESIGN LIBRARY SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

PHOENIX GENERAL PLAN 1985-2000 COLLECTION

Collection #: MS MSS 9

Location: DESIGN SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Papers: 1974-1988

No. of Items: 4 boxes, 1 oversize folder, c 2.0 cu. ft.

Historical Sketch

Beginning in January 1974, the Mayor of Phoenix and the Phoenix City Council charged the City Planning Commission with the responsibility of presenting alternative urban forms and their implications. After an urban forms seminar for community leaders, the Commission appointed over 200 citizens to eight Urban Forms Directions Committees to study elements required in a general plan. From this activity came the urban village concept and in July 1979, the Phoenix Concept Plan 2000 was adopted. It defined the boundaries of nine Phoenix urban villages and instructed village planning committees to prepare 25 year concept plans with an interim plan for 1985. The nine villages included Deer Valley, Paradise Valley, North Mountain, Alhambra, Camelback East, Maryvale, Encanto, Central City, and South Mountain. On October 2, 1985, the Council repealed Phoenix Concept Plan 2000 and adopted Phoenix General Plan 1985-2000.

During 1983-1985, a joint City of Phoenix-Arizona State University Village Planning Program grant was in operation under the direction of Professor Elizabeth K. Burns of the ASU College of Architecture and Environmental Design. Graduate students from the college were assigned to the nine Village Planning Committees to aid in recordkeeping, meeting arrangements, recording minutes, and liaison work with the city and university. While this collection does not include documents beyond the 1980s, the concept of the Phoenix urban villages continues to remain important in the government's image of the Phoenix metropolitan area.

Scope and Content Note

This collection consists primarily of the records of the joint City of Phoenix-Arizona State University Grant from 1983-1985 and additional documents pertaining to the Camelback East Village Planning Committee. The collection is organized into five series. Series One, Planning Project Grant Files, is comprised of eight folders containing incomplete quarterly reports regarding operation of the grant, survey questionnaires, attendance records of village planning committees, budget reports from 1983-1986, graduate student practicum information, and miscellany that includes interview schedules, invoices, payroll documents, correspondence, and agendas. Series Two, Administrative Reports, consists of four folders which include materials addressing goals formulation, the General Plan for Phoenix 1985-2000 of March 1987, the Phoenix Concept Plan 2000 of 1979, and the Village Planning Handbook of 1983. Series Three, Camelback East Files, contains thirteen folders of materials. Included within this group are minutes of the Village Planning Committee and other documents addressing various aspects of planning such as transportation and land use. Series Four contains the minutes of the other eight Village Planning Committees (one folder per committee). Series Five, Miscellany, includes two folders with various documents. Included are the Open Space Plan for the Phoenix Mountains, Vacant Land Survey (1984), two papers submitted for the City of the 21st Century Conference (1988), various planning implementation documents, and miscellaneous printed materials.

Description

Box 1

Series 1 Planning Project Grant Files, 1983-1986

- Folder 1 Quarterly Reports, 1984-1985**
- Folder 2 Survey Questionnaire, 1985**
- Folder 3 Attendance Records, 1983-1984**
- Folder 4 Budget Reports, Aug-Dec 1983**
- Folder 5 Budget Reports, Jan-May 1984**
- Folder 6 Budget Reports, July 1985-Jan 1986**
- Folder 7 Graduate Student Practicum, 1985**
- Folder 8 Miscellany, 1984-1985**

Series 2 Administrative Reports, 1979-1987

**Folder 1 Goal Formulation Village Planning Committees,
Sept 1983**
Folder 2 General Plan for Phoenix 1985-2000, March 1987
Folder 3 Phoenix Concept Plan 2000, 1979
Folder 4 Village Planning Handbook, 1983

Box 2

Series 3 Camelback East Files, 1983-1985

Folder 1 Village Planning Committee Minutes, 1983-1985
Folder 2 Maps
Folder 3 Transportation
Folder 4 Questionnaires
Folder 5 Issues Identification
Folder 6 Village Core Comparisons
Folder 7 Land Use
Folder 8 Traffic Analysis Zone Profiles
Folder 9 Symington Esplanade Project
Folder 10 Census Characteristics
Folder 11 Minority Report
Folder 12 Mountain Preserves/Landmarks
Folder 13 Miscellany

Box 3

Series 4 Village Planning Committees Minutes, 1983-1985

Folder 1 Deer Valley, 1983-1985
Folder 2 Paradise Valley, 1983-1985
Folder 3 North Mountain, 1983-1985
Folder 4 Alhambra, 1983-1985

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Folder 5 Maryvale, 1983-1985
Folder 6 Encanto, 1983-1985
Folder 7 Central City, 1984-1985
Folder 8 South Mountain, 1983-1985

Series 5 Miscellany, 1980s

Folder 1 Miscellany, 1980s
Folder 2 Miscellany, 1980s

Map Case 153G R2 D13

Oversize Folder 1

City of Phoenix Districts and Village Map, 1988

General Plan for Phoenix 1985/2000 (2 copies)

Phoenix Generalized Land Use Map, 1980

City of Phoenix Interim 1985 Plan (2 copies)

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