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CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18, 1985

SENIOR ACTIVITIES PLANNED
FOR HUTCHINS STREET
SQUARE COMPLEX

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Council received a report regarding projected Senior Citizens' programs and activities for Hutchins Street Square. Council was apprised that a meeting of interested seniors representing the 50 Plus Club, the Senior Citizens, Lodi Travel Club, Loel Center, San Joaquin Council on Aging, Lodi Parks and Recreation and Hutchins Street Square had been held on September 16, 1985. The following consensus of opinion regarding senior needs was reached at this meeting -

- * established need for information center or clearing-house for pertinent needs of seniors.
- * advisory commission for the aging
- * staff person to consolidate and develop Lodi aging activities and needs
- * improved transportation
- * increase variety of arts, crafts, and health improvement activities for the aging

Potential senior activities for the various facilities at Hutchins Street Square were discussed.

Addressing the Council on this subject were Mr. Ed De Benedetti, Director of Parks and Recreation; Ms. Charlene Lange, Community Relations Assistant; Trella B. Areida, Chairman of the Board, Commission on Aging; and Mr. Stanley Harkness, 700 Cardinal Street, Lodi.

Following a lengthy discussion, Council, on motion of Mayor Pro Tempore Reid, Snider second, concurred with the Mayor's announcement of his intention to appoint a Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding the formation of a Commission on Aging for the City of Lodi.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

TO: THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE

NO.

FROM: THE CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

September 18, 1985

SUBJECT: SENIOR CITIZEN ACTIVITIES

RECOMMENDED ACTION: None required. Information only.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: At its regular meeting of September 4, 1985, the City Council requested information concerning projected Senior Citizens' programs and activities at Hutchins Street Square. Community Relations Assistant Charlene Lange and Parks and Recreation Director Ed DeBenedetti are jointly preparing a presentation on this subject to be delivered at Wednesday night's meeting. This presentation will review:

- a) existing Senior Citizens programs and articles as they currently exist throughout the City.
- b) Senior Citizens programs and activities are currently conducted at Hutchins Street Square.
- c) proposed Senior Citizens programs and activities to be offered and conducted at Hutchins Street Square should the proposed comprehensive rehabilitation and construction project be realized.

The staff will be prepared to answer questions Councilmembers may have.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas A. Peterson
City Manager

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Lynda Stern
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Tom Peterson, City Manager
FROM: Charlene Lange, Community Relations
DATE: September 18, 1985
SUBJECT: SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Please find attached a brief synopsis of senior activities, its history and a preliminary review of what is now provided in the City of Lodi and what could be provided with the development of Hutchins Street Square.

The possibilities for growth in the senior or "aging" area are endless; it requires only ideas and energy to meet the needs of the over 55 crowd, which represents 26.5% of the City of Lodi.

Charlene Lange
Charlene J. Lange

Preliminary Report: Meeting of interested seniors representing the 50 Plus Club, the Senior Citizens, Lodi Travel Club, Loel Center, San Joaquin Council on the Aging, Lodi Parks and Recreation and Hutchins Street Square.

Date: Monday, September 16, 1985

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City of Lodi History
Report - September 19, 1985
Aging Activities

HISTORY:

The City of Lodi Parks and Recreation Department historically has been involved with older Lodians as the originator of the original senior citizens program in the early 1950's. The first activities were held in the old Emerson School - following that facility's destruction, the seniors found their own building and continued to expand the program.

PRESENT OPERATIONS:

The Senior Citizens Club currently has their own facility and boasts a membership of over 200 people.

Loel Center, also in their own building on Washington Street is unique with its offering of a noon meal feeding station.

Meals on Wheels Program, a federally subsidized hot meal program; facilitated with volunteers acting as drivers.

50 Plus Club - 400 members use the Hale Park hall on Stockton Street for their daily activities for the past ten years. Space is used free of charge unless they sponsor a money making event, i.e., Bingo.

Lodi Gem & Mineral Club - Partly underwritten with provision of space for exclusive use for the past 25 years. Membership has fluctuated, now hovering at 118 people.

Lodi Community Band - A 25 year history of the City underwriting any costs and coordinating a weekly rehearsal location.

Camera Club - Provide monthly meeting space.

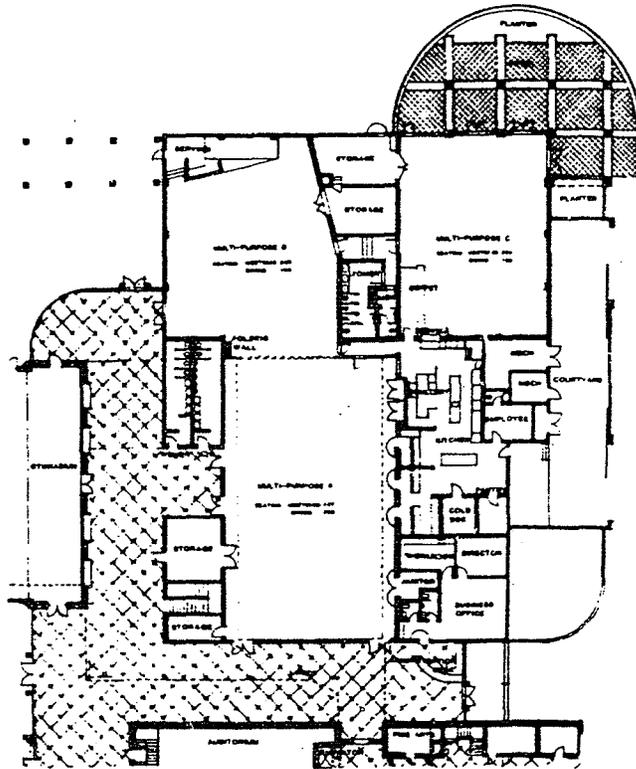
Lodi Art Center - Works with the Art Center to provide "home" at a reasonable cost for the past 12 years. Currently housed for the past 3 years at Hutchins Street Square.

Tokay Players - Underwrites a portion of expenses for theatrical productions.

Exercise Classes - Modified Jazzercise classes offered two times weekly at Hutchins Street Square, aimed at seniors with more stretch and less bounce.

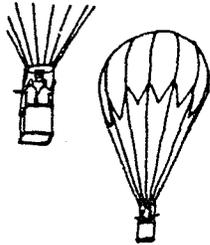
Baseball Games - Passes offered to senior to Lodi's professional baseball games.

Lodi Lake - Half-price tickets available for parking.



MULTI-PURPOSE

(Old Cafeteria)



- LOCAL CONFERENCE CENTER
- MULTI-PURPOSE MEETING ROOMS
- CLUB ROOM AND PATIO
- COMMERCIAL KITCHEN
- MOVABLE WALLS TO ACCOMMODATE SMALL TO LARGE GROUPS



Potential Senior Activities
Multipurpose Building
Hutchins Street Square

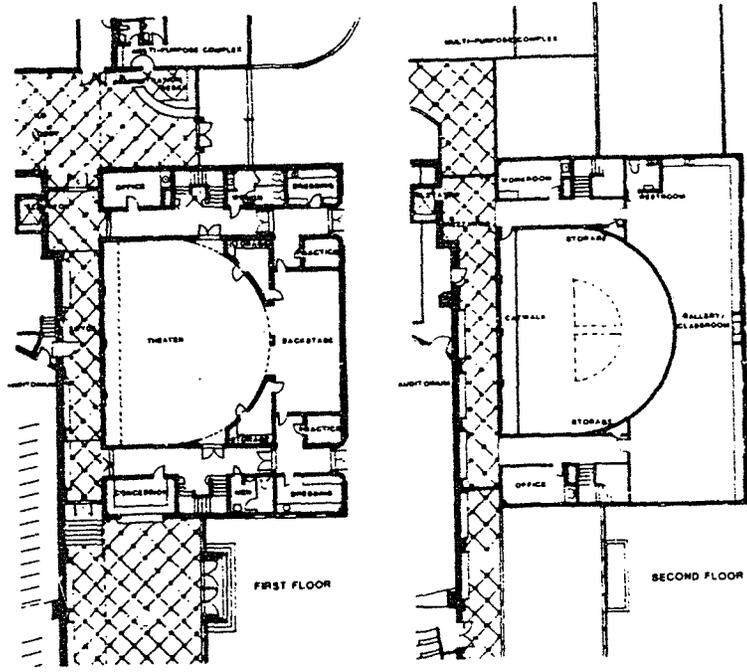
- * Large open room for dancing - capacity 700

- * Dining capacity of 650+ for evening dinners with access to commercial kitchen.

- * Cooking Classes: Emphasis on:
 - cooking for one/two
 - bachelor cooking
 - specialized classes on "Dr. ordered" special diets.

- * Dancing Classes

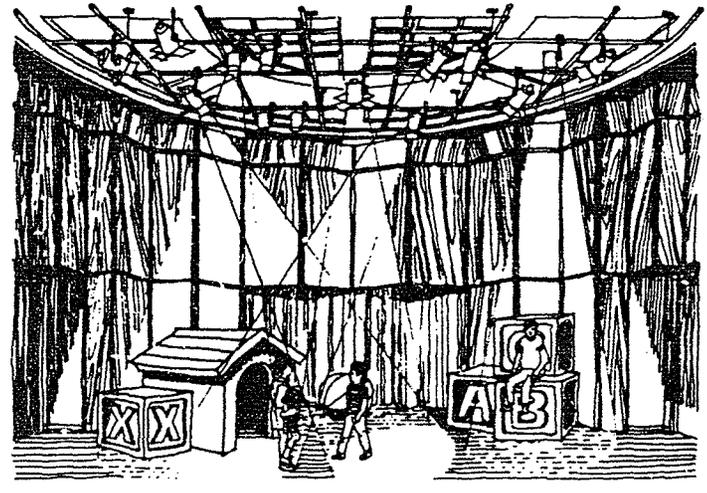
- * Space for fairs, large displays, health clinics



FINE ARTS

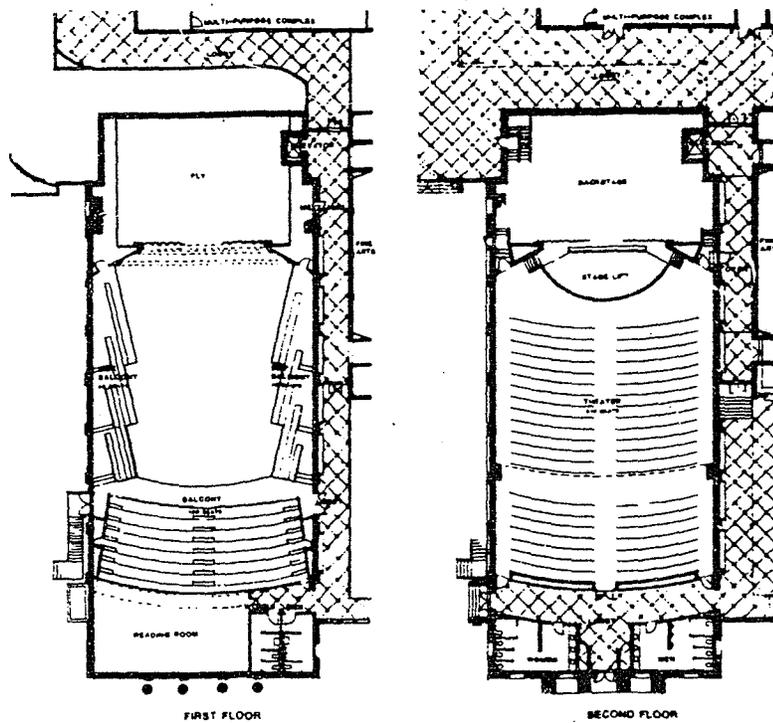
(Old Music Building)

- CHILDREN'S THEATER AND OTHER SMALL THEATER GROUPS
- LECTURES, MUSICAL PRESENTATIONS AND RECITALS
- FLEXIBLE SEATING FOR 100
- HOME OF LOOI ART CENTER
- ART INSTRUCTION ROOMS
- ART GALLERY



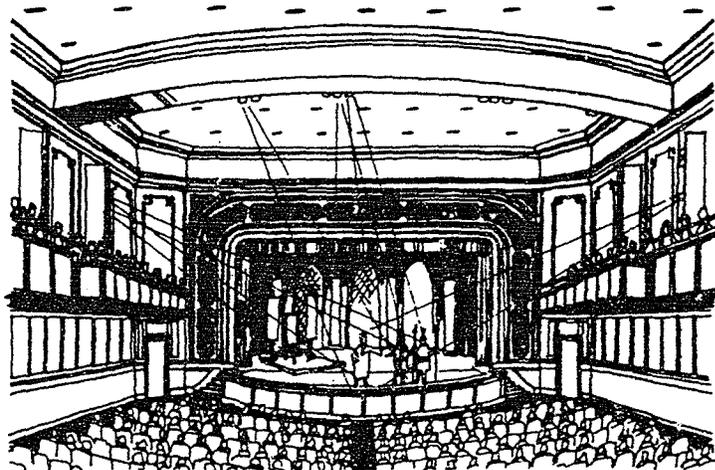
Potential Senior Activities
Hutchins Street Square
Music Building

- * Arts Classes - painting, drawing
- * Kiln room - sculpting workshops
- * Senior theatre productions
- * Intimate theatre for small lectures, symphony, individual concert presentations.
- * Piano/music practice rooms



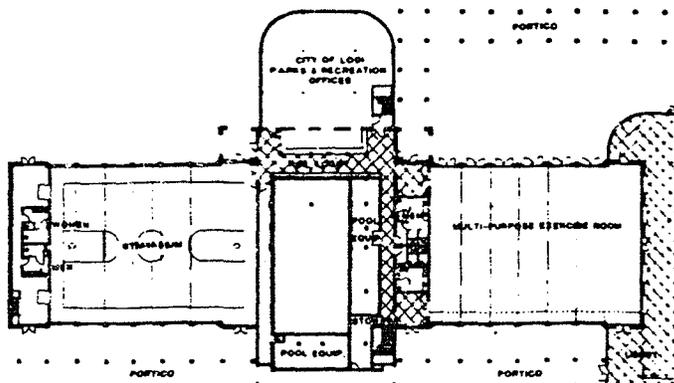
AUDITORIUM

- 904 PRIME SIGHT-LINE SEATS
- PLAYS, MUSICALS, CONCERTS, CONFERENCES
- NEW LOBBY AND MEZZANINE LOBBY
- NEW STAGE WITH LIFT AND ORCHESTRA PIT
- STATE-OF-THE-ART STAGING, LIGHTING, AND PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEMS

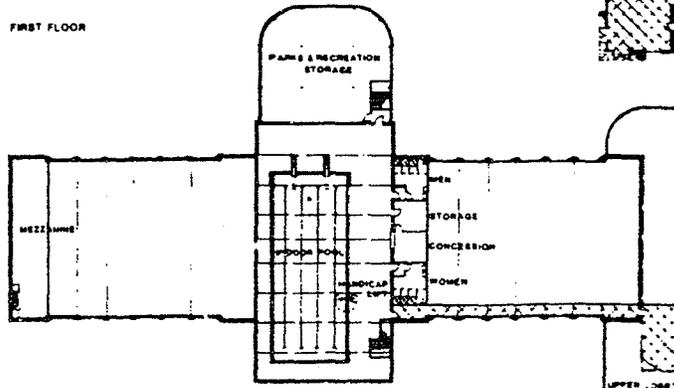


Potential Senior Activities
Hutchins Street Square
Auditorium

* Opportunity to attend large concerts, lecture or theatre productions.



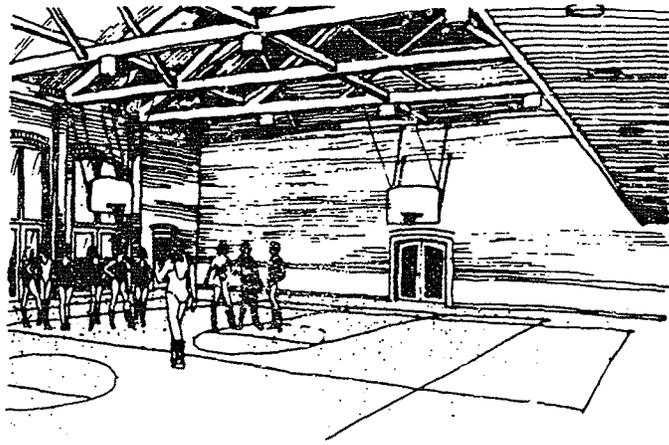
FIRST FLOOR



SECOND FLOOR

GYMNASIUMS & POOL

- INDOOR HEATED POOL WITH THERAPEUTIC CAPABILITIES
- GYMNASIUM WITH HARDWOOD FLOORS FOR ACTIVE SPORTS
- GYMNASIUM WITH CARPETED FLOOR FOR EXERCISE CLASSES, GROUP MEETINGS, AND OTHER MULTI-PURPOSE ACTIVITIES
- CITY OF LODI PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT OFFICES



Potential Senior Activities
Hutchins Street Square
Swimming Pool

* Year-round health maintenance programs using indoor heated pool.

- handicapped access with lift.
- swimmercise
- comprehensive swim routines
- rehabilitate health promotion

Potential Senior Activities
Hutchins Street Square
Gymnasium

* Dancercise classes

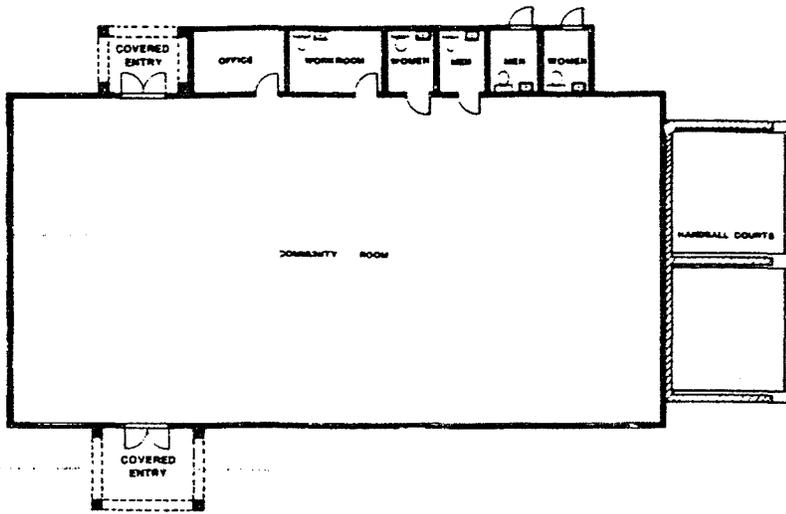
* Senior basketball

* Weight Room

* Volleyball

* Jazzercise lite (less bounce, more stretch)

* Adult ballet



COMMUNITY BUILDING

(Old Auto Shop)

- SENIOR DAY CARE
- WELLNESS CENTER
- SENIOR RECREATION
- HEALTH CARE REFERRAL



Potential Senior Activities
Hutchins Street Square
Community Building

- * Adult day care

- * Wellness center

- * Information clearinghouse