

**Town of Los Gatos Community Development Department**

110 E. Main Street

Los Gatos, CA 95030

**Subject:** Project Description**Project:** New Gymnasium and Athletic Field for Venture Christian Church**Address:** 16845 Hicks Rd. Los Gatos, CA 95032**Scope:** New gymnasium facility, new athletic field, site improvements and parking modifications.**Project Description**

Venture Christian Church proposes to add a new two-story 29,510 SF gymnasium and athletic field to its existing campus, located within the Hillside Residential zoning district. The project is intended to serve the existing church and school community by expanding opportunities for recreation, education, and fellowship.

The new gymnasium will provide space for indoor sports and activities and include a lounge gathering space for parishioners and students. Site improvements include an athletic field to support outdoor sports and school programming, outdoor seating areas, gathering spaces, and an amphitheater. In addition to athletics, the new facility and field will also be used for a range of community events and activities.

The project incorporates both passive and active solar energy strategies. New rooftop photovoltaic (PV) panels are proposed, along with a battery energy storage system (BESS) located on an exterior concrete equipment pad. The building design includes exterior thermal window frames with insulated glazing to introduce natural daylight and maximize views at the lobbies and second-floor lounge areas. Roof overhangs are provided to control solar heat gain, and clerestory translucent wall panels are proposed to bring natural light into the gymnasium space, further enhancing energy efficiency and interior comfort.

For additional information, please refer to the Letter of Justification included with this application.