

'Island in Sky' Plans Revealed

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Proof that 200 acres of precipitous, brush-covered mountainside can be transformed into hundreds of homesites will be handed to Glendale Planning Commission on Monday by Scott Mac Donald, Robert Hensler and Gordon Mac Donald. Thereafter, it will go to the City Council, and, if all goes right, become a reality in two or three years.

The plan was unveiled this week, as the three owners of the land showed a relief map of the planned development that will be created in the canyons and hills of the San Rafael between the Glendale College campus and Chevy Chase. According to existing programming, the project calls for 279 single-family residence lots, 11 residential planned development lots, and two "convenience centers." The "RPD" sites are planned for from two to seven stories, with each structure occupying only 30 per cent of the land allotted. Buildings on these plots would be "garden apartments" of the type now being installed along Orange Grove Avenue in Pasadena. The "convenience centers," if the plan is adopted, would provide limited business centers for the convenience of the residents of the area, and catering only to their immediate needs. Design of these two-acre centers would be residential in nature, blending with the surrounding homes.

Also included in the \$20 million development is a nine-hole, three-par golf course, to be located near the northern end of the area.

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Although the 200-acre site to be considered by planners is very near streets frequented by local residents, it has been seen by very few. It lies east of the projected north-south Glendale Freeway alignment, and west of the skyline of Chevy Chase Canyon. According to developers, the projected buildings, even the higher-elevation apartments, will not be visible from Chevy Chase, as all will be screened by the skyline ridge.

However, from several points of the site as it exists today, the Oakmont and Chevy Chase golf courses are easily seen. Also, the project is designed to afford sweeping views of the Southland from Glendale to Santa Catalina Island. Some