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RE: A DESIGN FOR THE NEW PIER

DEAR SIRS AND MESDAMES:

I WOULD LIKE TO SUGGEST THAT THE NEW PIER HAVE A CIRCULAR FIVE- OR SIX-STORY BUILDING WITH A GLASS DOME AND COVERED WITH REFLECTIVE GLASS WHICH WOULD REFLECT THE WATER AND SKY. THE BUILDING WOULD BE SHAPED LIKE AN INNER TUBE WITH SHOPS AND RESTAURANTS IN THE OUTER STRUCTURE, A VIEWING AREA ON THE TOP FLOOR, AND PERHAPS A SIDEWALK CAFÉ ON THE GROUND FLOOR. THE INNER CORE WOULD HOUSE AN AQUARIUM WHICH WOULD EXTEND DOWN TO A CORAL REEF ON THE FLOOR OF THE BAY AND WOULD EXTEND UP PERHAPS TO THE PENULTIMATE FLOOR. THERE COULD BE VIEWING WINDOWS ON EACH FLOOR, AND THE FLOORS BELOW WATER COULD ALSO HAVE WINDOWS IN THE OUTER WALLS ALLOWING PEOPLE TO SEE THE NATURAL AQUATIC LIFE OF THE BAY ILLUMINATED BY LIGHTS EMBEDDED IN THE PYLONS SUPPORTING THE PIER.

IN THE PIER'S SOUTHWEST CORNER, THERE COULD BE A BUILDING HOUSING A BAIT SHOP, PUBLIC RESTROOMS, AND A TICKET BOOTH FOR SIGHTSEEING CRUISES WHICH COULD LEAVE FROM AN ADJACENT DOCK.

ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE PIER, THERE COULD BE A BAND SHELL WITH COVERED SEATING ON THE SIDE TOWARDS SHORE. TICKETS COULD BE SOLD FOR THE COVERED SEATS, BUT PEOPLE COULD LISTEN FOR FREE FROM ELSEWHERE ON THE PIER, FROM BOATS, OR FROM THE SHORE. REGULARLY SCHEDULED CONCERTS,

PERHAPS FEATURING FLORIDA SINGERS AND MUSICIANS, WOULD ATTRACT PEOPLE TO THE PIER. IT WOULD BE A PERFECT VENUE FOR 4TH OF JULY CONCERTS WITH FIREWORKS.

FOR THE CONVENIENCE OF FISHERMEN AND HANDICAPPED PERSONS, THE CAUSEWAY WOULD ALLOW PEOPLE TO DRIVE THEIR OWN VEHICLES TO THE PIER'S BUILDINGS AND WOULD FEATURE SLANT PARKING ALONG ITS LENGTH.

I HOPE THESE IDEAS WILL BE OF USE TO YOU AND THE ARCHITECTS OF THE NEW PIER.

SINCERELY YOURS,

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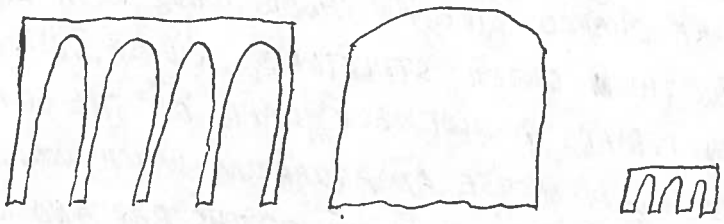
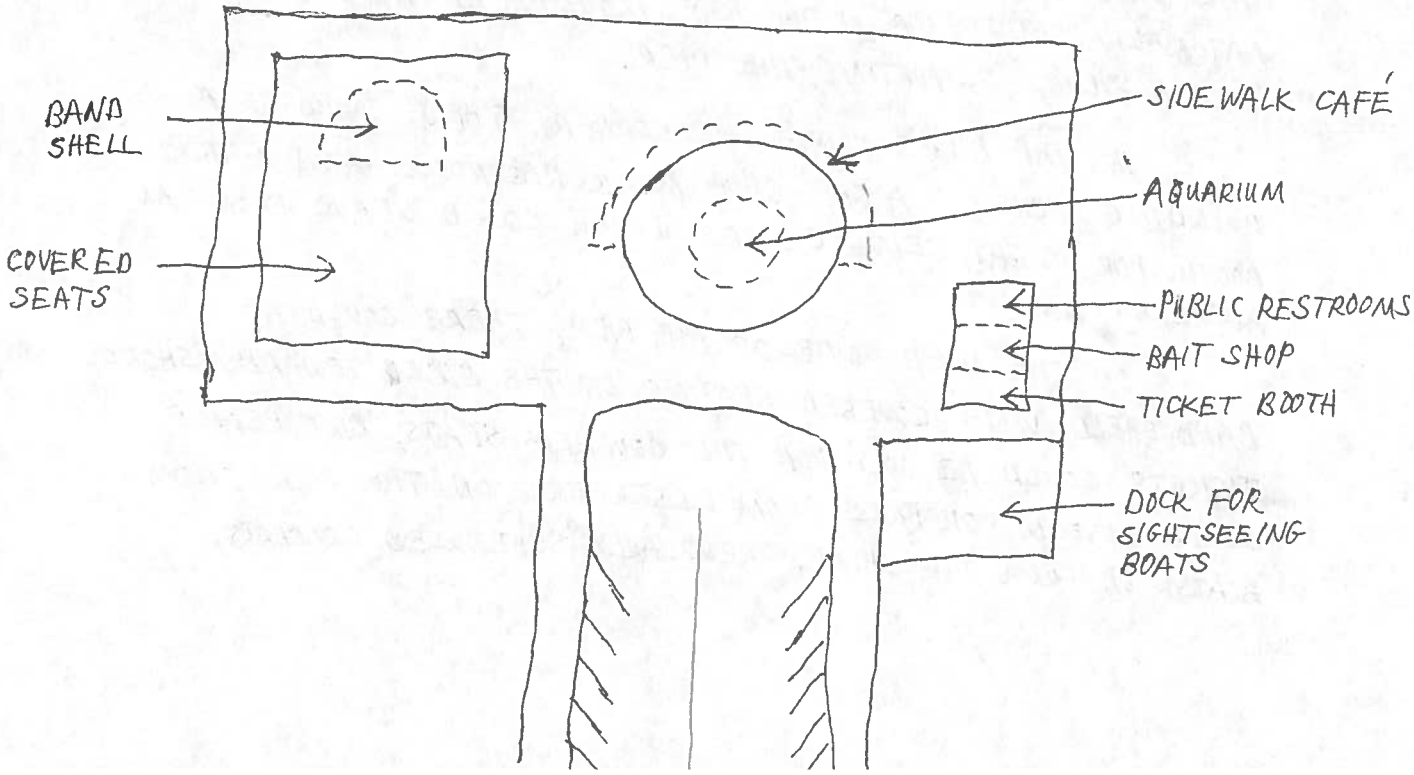
SIDE VIEW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