



**St. John's in the Mountains
Episcopal Church**

DATE: January 15, 2007

SUBJECT: Tektonika Studio Architects
Ernie Ruskey, Principal

Dear Sir:

St. John's in the Mountains Episcopal Church has retained Tektonika Studio Architects for site and design studies; estimates; detailed design; bid preparation; solicitation; evaluation and contractor selection; contract management and oversight of construction. Our new Church is now approximately 75% complete.

Although ours is a relatively small project, the challenges are considerable and quite similar to those on most projects regardless of size. The challenges included dealing with a historical building, cost, a small limited site with concerned neighbors, technical issues including storm water disposal, fire protection and, probably most challenging, dealing with the Church committees. In all cases, Ernie Ruskey, using his talents and leadership ability, provided procedures and solutions that were very well received while at all times maintaining excellent productive communications and relations with all parties including St. John's committees, our neighbors and the community at large.

Tektonika construction management techniques focus very strongly and productively on quality, cost control and schedule. Project control and coordination with the general contractor, sub-contractors and suppliers are excellent.

Skilled technical specialists, such as civil, mechanical, electrical and environmental engineers were a part of the Tektonika team as required. Contract management in dealing with the contractors and specialists plus coordinating their work with the fabricators and suppliers is outstanding.

We have a very high regard for the abilities and integrity of the Tektonika organization and especially its principal, Ernie Ruskey. We appreciate their work and efforts and the very satisfactory results on our behalf and strongly recommend this firm for the subject project.

Sincerely,

(The Rev.) Mary Robb Mansfield

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Rector of St. John's in the Mountains

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