Chief Architect Version X9 Change Log

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1 General Notes

This is a list of the fixes and improvements to existing tools introduced in Chief Architect X9.

2 Changes Introduced in Chief Architect X9

2.1 Program Overview

- Objects with unmanageable position coordinates are now identified and can be deleted when a plan is opened.
- Systems using switchable graphics will now use the high end graphics card instead of the integrated chipset when running Chief Architect.

2.2 File Management

• Legacy .pl and .la files from Chief Architect 9.5 and prior are no longer supported and cannot be opened in Chief Architect X9.

2.3 Preferences and Defaults

• The Sun Angle settings in the Preferences dialog now use the current Angle Style.

2.4 Displaying Objects

- Fixed an issue that caused changes made in the Active Layer Display Options side window to be reverted incorrectly when Undo was used.
- Fixed an issue that sometimes caused the Layer Display Options dialog to report incorrect values when the Modify All Layer Sets option was used.
- Fixed a problem where turning off a layer in one view using the Active Layer Display Options side window would turn it on in another view.

2.5 Editing Objects

- The Object Painter tool can now be used to apply fill styles to CAD Circle and Text objects.
- Fixed a problem that resulted in incorrect Area and Volume values in the Match Properties dialog.

2.6 CAD Objects

• Fixed an issue that caused a resized CAD block with an insertion point to shift position every time its specification dialog was opened and closed.

2.7 Walls, Railings, and Fencing

- Removed a small gap between the handrail and newels/balusters on railings.
- Fixed a problem that caused wall fill to draw incorrectly through windows placed above bifold doors in some cases.

• Fixed an issue that sometimes prevented materials on attic walls from being marked as In Use.

2.8 Rooms

The Living Area Label now maintains its position if it is moved.

2.9 Dimensions

Dimension line Segments are now listed in numeric order in the Dimension Line Specification dialog.

2.10 Cabinets

- Undo can now be used to revert changes to cabinet drawer hardware.
- Custom Countertops are no longer created in the Back Drawing Group.

2.11 Foundations

• The program now presents a prompt to turn off Automatically Rebuild Foundation when a wall is pasted on Floor 0.

2.12 Stairs, Ramps, and Landings

- The direction of Handrails on landings now matches that on stairs and ramps.
- Fixed a problem that caused stair height to be calculated incorrectly when attached to platforms created with certain foundation styles.

2.13 Roofs

- Gutters will now generate even if Eave Fascia and Eave Sub Fascia are not used.
- Placing a skylight in a roof under a higher eave no longer produces a hole in that eave.

2.14 Framing

- Fixed a problem that caused the snap locations on headers in Wall Details to be incorrect.
- Fixed an issue that caused Wall Bridging set to be Flat to Outside/Inside to not actually be flat.

2.15 The Library

• Objects saved in the User Catalog of the Library Browser objects can now be placed on custom, user-created layers.

2.16 Other Objects

• Fixed an issue that caused certain objects in some architectural blocks created in Version X7 and prior to change heights in error.

2.17 3D Views

- Fixed a problem that occurred when Undo was used in a cross section view, causing the view to shift.
- Fixed an issue in which rotating in an active camera view would sometimes throw the view into an unintended spin.

2.18 Pictures, Images, and Walkthroughs

- Added the ability to import multiple images at once.
- Fixed a problem that sometimes caused the Uppercase attribute to be lost in an exported EMF/WMF file.