

American Buddhist Cultural Society Fo Guang Shan San Bao Temple

1750 Van Ness Avenue

Board of Supervisors – Land Use and Transportation Committee Hearing

14 March 2022

SOM

Project Overview:

- Replace existing 2-story building in poor condition with new, expanded temple

Fo Guang Shan San Bao Temple:

- Here since 1989 (30+ years)
- Spiritual and education center for the study of Buddhism, art, and culture
- Diverse community presence engaged in charitable programs



Project Status

September 30, 2021:

- Planning Commission unanimously approves CU Authorization & recommends approval of Legislative Amendment

November 2021:

- Project site permit application is submitted to DBI (Anticipated issuance in April 2022)

January 2022:

- Legislative Amendment introduced to the BOS and assigned to LUTC under 30-day rule

Legislative Amendment

Exempts the Project from the 3:1 residential-to-non-residential ratio for new construction in the Van Ness SUD

- Minor Amendment;
- Consistent with Policy of Existing Exemptions;
- Retains & Enhances Long-Standing Cultural and Community Institutional Presence;
- Will not impede Plan-area Housing Goals.



Van Ness Avenue: Existing Conditions

St Luke's Church, San Bao Temple , 1776 Sacramento Tower

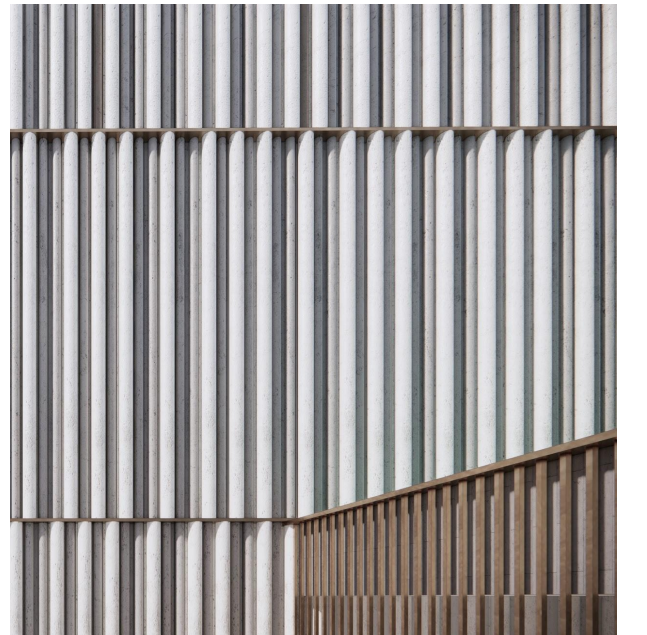
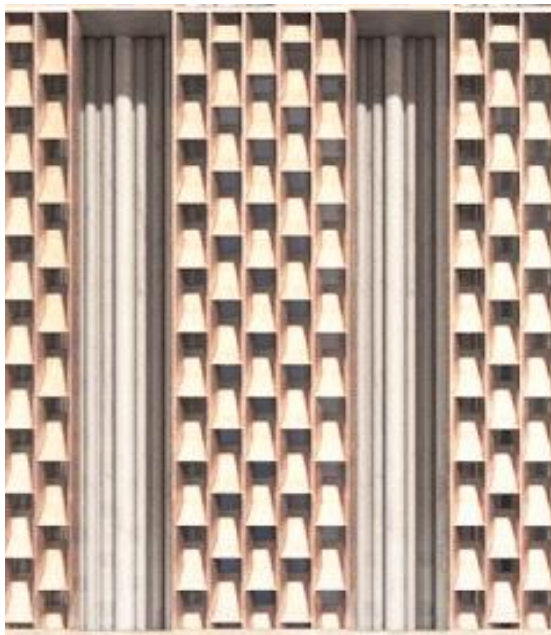
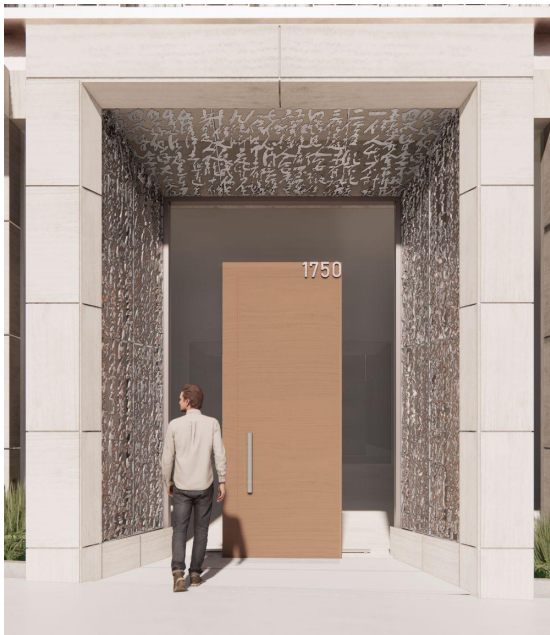
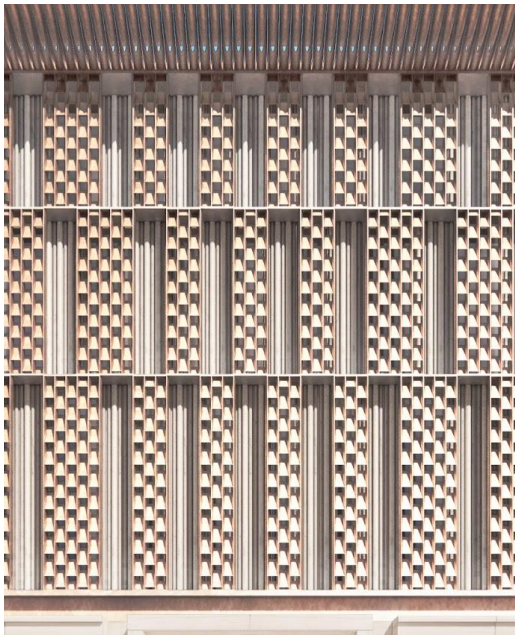
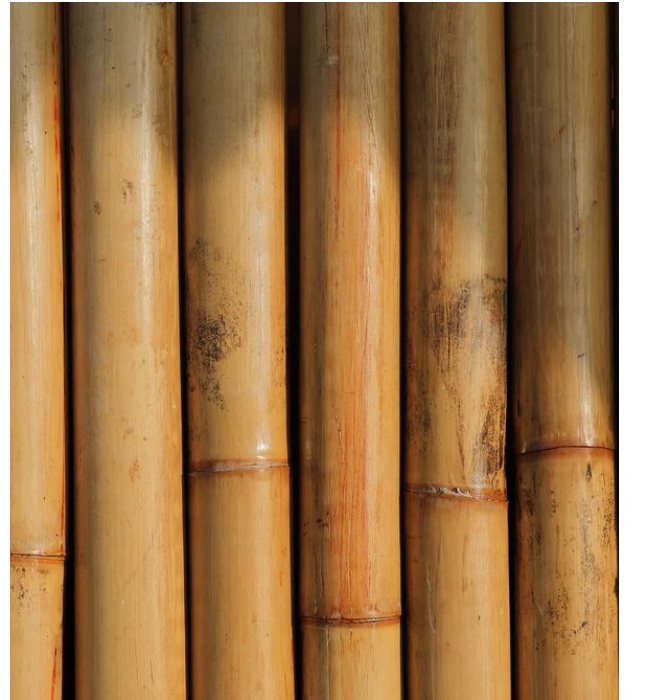


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Western Architecture Grounded
in Buddhist Principles



Cultural References



ABCS TEMPLE
SKIDMORE, OWINGS & MERRILL

Respecting the City and the Neighbors



Meditation Terrace

Respecting the Neighbors



Meditation Terrace

Respecting the Neighbors



Bookstore and Library

Place of Transcendence



Ground Level Flexible Community Space
Bookstore, Library, Art Gallery, Garden and Light Court



Ground Level Flexible Community Space
Temporary Art Installation



Tea Room, Garden, and Light Court

Sounds of Water & Nature



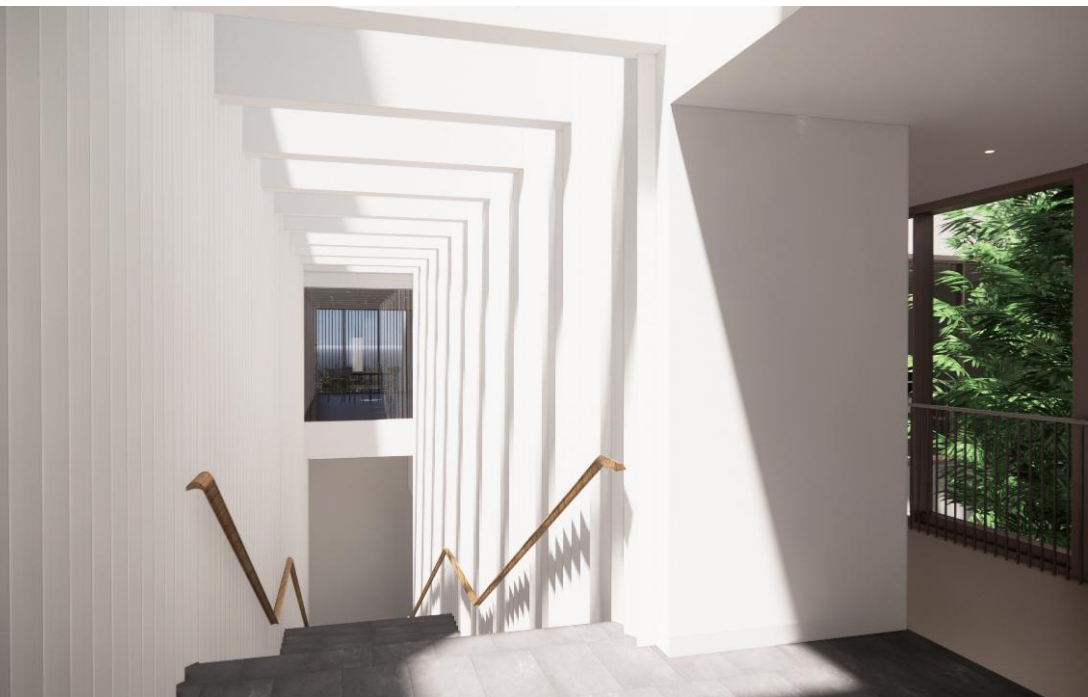
Ground Level Dining

Serving the Community



Staircase to Shrine and Classrooms

Ascend in Light



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Classrooms and Community Use



Evening
A Neighborhood Lantern

