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December 1, 2017

VIA MESSENGER

London Breed, President San Francisco Board of Supervisors 1 Dr. Carlton Goodlett Place, Room 244 City Hall, Second Floor San Francisco, CA 94102

Re:

218 27th Avenue, San Francisco
December 12, 2017 Hearing
Appeals of Conditional Use Authorization and
Categorical Exemption Determination

Dear President Breed and Members of the Board:

Our firm represents Alex Bernstein and Sonia Daccarett (the "Appellants"), the owners of a single family home located at 2545 Lake Street. Their property is adjacent to 218 27th Street, the subject of this appeal (the "Property").

On October 12, 2017, the Planning Commission approved Conditional Use Application No. 2016-003258CUA (Motion No. 20025) to demolish the existing, two-story single family home on the Property and construct a four-story, three-unit building comprised of three market-rate, two-story condominiums with three off-street parking spaces (the "Project"). The Planning Department issued a Categorical Exemption Determination dated June 29, 2016 with respect to its environmental review of the Project.

The Appellants do not oppose the Planning Commission's approval of the Project outright but rather seek to modify certain aspects of the Project's design to minimize the substantial light, air and privacy impacts the Project will have on their property and other adjoining properties.

For the reasons set forth below, we request that you uphold the decision to approve the Project subject to modifications to the conditions of approval to require a reduction of the proposed building height from 40 feet to 30 feet. The construction of three units within three stories would allow the Project to attain the desired density while adapting more closely to the neighborhood context and significantly mitigating the adverse impacts of the Project. In terms of feasibility, an Architect commissioned by the Appellants to evaluate the proposed Project was able to develop an alternate concept that conforms to development standards, contains the same density of housing units, and limits the overall height to only three stories.

We also request that the Project be required to mitigate for the loss of light, air and privacy by removing the proposed side deck areas; and by painting of the exterior of the north-facing wall in

a white or other light-reflective color. Finally, in order to safeguard against excessive noise, we request a limit on the permitted hours of construction to 9:00 am to 5:00 pm on weekdays.

The Appellants concurrently appealed the Categorical Exemption Determination relied upon by the Planning Commission in approving the Project because it does not satisfy the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 *et seq.* ("CEQA") and the City's CEQA Procedures codified in San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 31. We respectfully request that you set aside the determination and require that environmental review of the Project be conducted in compliance with applicable requirements.

I. CONDITIONAL USE AUTHORIZATION

A. The Project Will Result In Significant Light, Air And Privacy Impacts.

The Property is a key lot, and the northern side property line abuts the rear property line of five residential parcels with frontage on Lake Street. While the Property is located within the RM-1 (Residential, Mixed, Low Density) District, the surrounding neighborhood to the north and west are within the RH-1 (Residential, House, One-Family) District.

Most of the surrounding buildings are three stories tall—immediately adjacent to the subject property to the north is a three-story building, immediately to the south is a three-unit, three-story building, and directly across the street is a three-story building. The Appellants' home, which will be severely impacted by the Project, is two stories tall.

In its current design, the Project will nearly double the height of the existing building from 21 feet to 40 feet, add side decks, add three off-street parking spaces, and significantly expand into the rear yard pursuant to the approval of a reduction of the rear yard requirement. The rear yard setback will be reduced from 60 feet to roughly 30 feet, or from the existing 50% down to 25%. The replacement of the existing two-story home that covers 50% of the lot, with a four-story building that covers 75% of the lot will result in significant light, air and privacy impacts.

The increase in the building height will result in a substantial increase in the shadow cast on adjoining properties, and severely limit solar access to our client's private indoor living spaces, as well as outdoor areas. This is evidenced in the light analysis submitted by the Appellants' architect to the staff planner on October 2, 2017, 10 days in advance of the Planning Commission hearing. (**EXHIBIT 1.**) A shadow study prepared on behalf of the Appellants was also presented at the hearing, and it includes a three-dimensional model that shows how the Project will result in a loss of light to adjacent parcels, most severely in the winter season. (**EXHIBIT 2.**) In terms of privacy, the larger building profile will directly result in a loss of privacy to three adjacent buildings that house over 25 residents. The Project applicant provided its own shadow study for the first time at the hearing, affording no opportunity for meaningful review and analysis by members of the public or the commission.

From the side of the proposed building, there is direct visual access into the private interior and outdoor open spaces. The Appellants' property is uniquely situated in that the northern wall of the

proposed building will span the entire length of the Appellants' rear property line, and directly overlook and box in the open space of their back yard.

B. The Findings Required For Conditional Use Authorization Are Not Supported By The Facts.

Under the applicable Planning Code provisions, approval of the Project requires that four sets of separate findings be made for each of the following four aspects of the Project: (1) construction of the new, four-story, three-unit building; (2) demolition of the existing two-story, single family building; (3) General Plan conformance; and (4) conformance with Proposition M General Plan priority policies. Each set of findings specifically requires consideration of the Project's impacts on the neighboring properties, given that the Planning Code expressly states that one of its more particularly specified purposes is to "provide light, air, privacy and convenience of access to property." (SFPC Sec. 101.)

Each set of findings set forth in Motion No. 20025 states that "on balance," the applicable criteria are met. (Motion No. 20025, pp. 5-6, 8, 10.) This is not supported by the evidence. Findings made in support of an agency's decision must be based on evidence contained in the administrative record, which comprises the entire body of evidence presented for consideration in connection with the project, and provides the basis to judge whether sufficient evidence supports the findings and decision of the agency. (*Topanga Association for a Scenic Community v. County of Los Angeles* (1974) 11 Cal. 3d 506, 515). A governmental entity "must render findings sufficient both to enable the parties to determine whether and on what basis they should seek review and, in the event of review, to apprise a reviewing court of the basis of the board's decision." (*Id.* at 514.) Substantial evidence must support an administrative agency's findings and the findings must support the decision." (*Id.*) The findings must "bridge the analytical gap" between the evidence and the decision. (*Id.* at 521.) As detailed below, the facts presented do not support that the Project meets the applicable criteria for approval.

1. Planning Code Section 303 Criteria for Construction.

The following criteria for approval of the construction of the building are not met by the Project due to the impacts it will have on light, air and privacy of neighboring properties:

- The proposed use and building, at the size and intensity contemplated and at the proposed location, will provide a development that is necessary or desirable for, and compatible with, the neighborhood or the community
- Such use or feature as proposed will not be detrimental to the health, safety, convenience
 or general welfare of persons residing or working in the vicinity, or injurious to property,
 improvements or potential development in the vicinity.

(SFPC Sec. 303(c)(1), (2).) The health, safety, convenience or general welfare of persons residing or working in the vicinity requires consideration of the proposed size of the structure, proposed alternatives to off-street parking, safeguards afforded to prevent offensive emissions such as

noise and treatment given to such aspects as screening and open spaces. The facts presented do not establish that the Project will not be detrimental to those residing in the vicinity.

Section 311(c)(1) of the Planning Code also requires the construction of new residential buildings in R districts to be consistent with Residential Design Guidelines. In part, the findings contained in Motion No. 20025 summarily state that as conditioned, the siting of the new building will be consistent with the objectives of the Residential Design Guidelines. (Motion No. 20025, pp. 5-6.) These conclusions are not supported by the evidence.

Under the Residential Design Guidelines, general design principles require maintaining light to adjacent properties by providing adequate setbacks. (Residential Design Guidelines (Dec. 2003), p. 4.) Specific design guidelines for rear yards require articulation of the building to minimize impacts on light and privacy to adjacent properties. (*Id.*, p. 16.) "When expanding a building into the rear yard, the impact of that expansion on light and privacy for abutting structures must be considered...modifications to the building's design can help reduce these impacts and make a building compatible with the surrounding context." (*Id.*) Similarly, with regard to privacy, the Guidelines state that where a proposed project will have an unusual impact on privacy to neighboring interior living spaces, appropriate design modifications can minimize impacts. (*Id.*, p. 17.)

In addition, "[e]ven when permitted by the Planning Code, building expansions into the rear yard may not be appropriate if they are uncharacteristically deep or tall, depending on the context of other buildings that define the mid-block open space. An out-of-scale rear yard addition can leave surrounding residents feeling 'boxed-in' and cut-off from the mid-block open space." (*Id.*, p. 26.)

The Project does not meet these relevant design guidelines and fails to incorporate appropriate design modifications to address the loss of light and privacy. Moreover, the proposed design of the building lacks the level of articulation for details, features, and levels present at most of the neighborhood structures, and should be refined.

2. Planning Code Section 317 Criteria for Residential Demolition.

The criteria for residential demolition also includes consideration of whether the project meets all relevant design guidelines, to enhance existing neighborhood character. (SFPC Sec. 317(g)(5)(N).) As discussed above, this criterion is not met.

Additional criteria for approval for a residential demolition are (1) whether the project increases the number of permanently affordable units and (2) whether the project creates new supportive housing. (SFPC Sec. 317(g)(5)(J), (M).) The Project does neither.

A final criterion requires a determination of whether a project will replace a building not subject to the Residential Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance, and if so, whether the new project replaces all of the existing units with new dwelling units of a similar size and with the same number of bedrooms. (SFPC Sec. 317(g)(5)(R).) The findings state, "[t]he Planning Department cannot definitively determine whether or not the single-family home is subject to the Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance. This is the purview of the Rent Board; however, the Department can

confirm that there are no tenants living in the dwelling." (Motion No. 20025, p. 8.) The record lacks basic information to support that this criterion is met.

3. General Plan Housing Element Objectives and Policies.

The fact presented and the evidence in the record do not support the Planning Commission's finding of the Project's conformity with the General Plan. The findings set forth the following Housing Element policies and corresponding findings:

 Objective 2, Policy 2.1: Discourage the demolition of sound existing housing, unless the demolition results in a net increase in affordable housing.

The project proposes demolition of a sound residential structure containing a three-bedroom single family dwelling but that the new building will contain three dwelling units and results in a net increase of family-sized housing.

This ignores the plain language of the criterion and the fact that the Project does not result in any affordable housing.

- Objective 3, Policy 3.1: Preserve rental units, especially rent controlled units, to meet the City's affordable housing needs.
- Objective 3, Policy 3.3: Maintain balance in affordability of existing housing stock by supporting affordable moderate ownership opportunities
- Objective 3, Policy 3.4: Preserve "naturally affordable" housing types, such as smaller and older ownership units.

The existing single family dwelling is currently vacant. The Planning Department cannot definitively determine whether or not the single-family home is subject to the Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance. This is the purview of the Rent Board; however, the Department can confirm that there are no tenants living in the dwelling. The new construction project will result in an increase in the number of both units and bedrooms of the property."

(Motion No. 20025, p. 9.) These findings are nonresponsive and irrelevant, and the conclusion that the Project conforms to the policies in furtherance of Objective 3 is wholly unsupportable. The Project will not preserve rental units to meet the City's affordable housing needs, the Project will not support affordable moderate ownership opportunities, and the Project will eliminate a "naturally affordable," smaller and older single family home.

4. Proposition M Priority General Plan Policy Findings.

The Project fails to comply with three of the eight priority-planning policies codified in Planning Code Section 101.1:

- That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced;
- That commuter traffic not impede Muni transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking;
- That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development.

The Project does not create affordable housing and reduces access to sunlight from private open space areas. With a parking ratio of one to one, the addition of three, three bedroom units and three off-street parking spaces adds to traffic congestion and overburdens neighborhood streets and parking.

Based on the facts in the record and given the weight of importance given to consideration of light, air and privacy impacts on neighboring properties, reasonable conditions (including those required by the Residential Design Guidelines) must be imposed to minimize the Project's adverse impacts.

Accordingly, reducing the building height to three stories, would substantially minimize shadow impacts on neighboring properties, bring the building closer to conformance with surrounding buildings, and still accommodate three housing units. Treating or painting the northern wall of the building would minimize the loss of light and mitigate for boxing in the Appellants' rear yard open space. Finally, limiting the permitted hours of construction would provide a safeguard against excessive noise.

II. CATEGORICAL EXEMPTION DETERMINATION

A. The Categorical Exemption Determination Fails To Identify The Conditional Use Authorization As An Approval Required For The Project.

Pursuant to the City's CEQA Guidelines, the Environmental Review Officer must post on the Planning Department website specific information about an exemption determination. For projects that involve the issuance of multiple discretionary permits or other project approvals, the Environmental Review Officer must identify any additional discretionary approvals required other than the Approval Action that are known to the Environmental Review Officer at the time of the issuance of the exemption determination, and post this information on the Planning Department website. (SFAC Sec. 31.08(e)(1)(B).)

Here, the CEQA Categorical Exemption Determination lists as the Project Approval Action, only the "Building Permit." (*Id.*, p. 4.) The determination describes the Project as the demolition of the two-story single-family home and construction of a four-story building containing three residences

and three parking spaces. (CEQA Categorical Exemption Determination, p. 1.) It does not, however, include any information that conditional use authorization is required for the Project, and therefore, the content requirements for an exemption determination is not satisfied.

B. The Notice of Public Hearing Failed to Inform The Public That an Exemption Determination Was Made.

For any demolition of an existing structure, the Environmental Review Officer is required to prepare a written exemption determination and provide notice to the public. (SFAC Sec. Section 31.08(e)(3).) Notice of public hearing on the Approval Action¹ for a project determined to be exempt from CEQA must, in part, "Inform the public of the exemption determination and how the public may obtain a copy of the exemption determination." (SFAC Sec. 31.08(f).)

Here, the Notice of Public Hearing on the Conditional Use Authorization held on October 12, 2017 does not inform the public of the exemption determination but instead suggests that an exemption determination may have been made by stating, "[i]f, as part of this process, the Department's Environmental Review Officer has deemed this project to be exempt from further environmental review, an exemption determination has been prepared and can be obtained through the Exemption Map..." The requirement that the public be informed that the exemption determination was made was not met.

C. The Environmental Review Officer Failed to Make a Determination of Whether The Changes to the Project Were Substantial.

Where a project that the Environmental Review Officer has determined to be exempt is changed prior to any subsequent approval actions, the Environmental Review Officer must determine whether the change is a substantial modification. (SFAC Sec. 31.08(i).)

A substantial modification of an exempt project requiring reevaluation under Section 31.19(b) can mean new information or evidence of substantial importance presented to the Environmental Review Officer that was not known and could not have been known with the exercise of reasonable diligence at the time the Environmental Review Officer issued the exemption determination that shows the project no longer qualifies for the exemption.

Even if the Environmental Review Officer determines that a change in an exempt project is not a substantial modification, she is required to post a notice of the determination in the offices of the Planning Department and on the Planning Department website and mail such notice to the applicant, board(s), commission(s) or department(s) that will carry out or approve the project, and to any organizations and individuals who previously have requested such notice in writing. (SFAC Sec. 37.08(i).)

¹ For a private project seeking an entitlement from the City and determined to be exempt from CEQA, "Approval Action" means the first approval of the project in reliance on the exemption by the City Planning Commission following a noticed public hearing. (SFAC Sec. 31.04(h).)

Here, the project was changed after the exemption determination was made and before the Conditional Use Authorization was approved, but the Environmental Review Officer never made a determination of whether the project changes constituted a substantial modification requiring reevaluation. The City's Property Information Map indicates that on July 5, 2016, two building permit applications were filed. Building Permit Application No. 201607051548 is to erect the four-story, three-unit residential building, and Building Permit Application No. 201607051544 is to demolish the two-story single family dwelling. (EXHIBIT 3.)

On the same day, July 5, 2016, CEQA Clearance was issued by the Planning Department. (**EXHIBIT 4**.) However, the Categorical Exemption Determination, signed by Planner Stephanie Cisneros on June 29, 2016, references plans dated January 7, 2016. This predates the submittal of the applications and presumably was based on pre-application information submitted by the Project applicant.

The planning application for demolition is dated July 20, 2017. (**EXHIBIT 5**.) The conditions of approval for the Conditional Use Authorization as approved by the Planning Commission require conformance with plans dated September 8, 2017. (Motion No. 20025, Exh. B.)

Once the Project was changed, i.e., updated plans were submitted, the Environmental Review Officer was required to make a determination of whether the changes were substantial and required reevaluation. This was not done.

The cursory process utilized by the City in issuing the Categorical Exemption Determination undermined the stated purposes of CEQA and the City's implementing regulations, among them to: (a) provide decision makers and the public with meaningful information regarding the environmental consequences of proposed activities; (b) identify ways that environmental damage can be avoided or significantly reduced; (c) provide for public input in the environmental review process; (d) bring environmental considerations to bear at an early stage of the planning process, and to avoid unnecessary delays or undue complexity of review; and (e) prevent significant avoidable damage to the environmental by requiring changes in projects through the use of alternatives or mitigation measures when the government agency finds the changes to be feasible.

If the Environmental Review Officer had followed the proper procedures, the Appellants may have had an opportunity to present their shadow study as new evidence of potential aesthetics impacts for the City's consideration earlier in the process. While a shadow analysis technically is not required for a project that does not <u>exceed</u> 40 feet in height, a proper and more transparent environmental review process that engaged the neighborhood may have brought to bear at an earlier stage, the potential impacts of the Project, as well as feasible changes or measures to avoid those impacts.

D. Class 1 and Class 3 Categorical Exemptions Do Not Apply Because There Are Unusual Circumstances Such That The Proposed Project Will Result in a Significant Effect on the Environment.

If there is a "reasonable possibility" that an activity will have a significant effect on the environment due to "unusual circumstances," an agency may not find the activity to be categorically exempt from CEQA. (14 Cal Code Regs., Sec. 15300.2(c).) Here, the Project presents unusual circumstances because it is a key lot and the horizontal expansion of the building will directly impact the rear property line of abutting lots by essentially creating a four-story wall along those lot lines. There is a reasonable possibility that significant environmental impacts would result from these unusual circumstances. The shadow study provides relevant evidence to support a fair argument that a significant impact on the environment may occur in the area of aesthetics by degrading the existing visual character of the site and its surroundings, and in the area of land use and planning, by conflicting with applicable land use policies and regulations adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect.

Based on the foregoing, we respectfully request that you set aside the Categorical Exemption Determination and require that proper environmental review in full conformance with CEQA and the City's implementing regulations be undertaken prior to the final approval of the Project.

Very truly yours,

Robia S. Crisp

Attachments

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EXHIBIT LIST

EXHIBIT 1	LIGHT ANALYSIS
EXHIBIT 2	SHADOW STUDY PRESENTATION
EXHIBIT 3	SF PROPERTY INFORMATION MAP—BUILDING PERMITS REPORT
EXHIBIT 4	SF PROPERTY INFORMATION MAP—PLANNING APPLICATIONS REPORT
EXHIBIT 5	PROJECT PLANNING APPLICATION FORMS

EXHIBIT 1

EXHIBIT 2

SF Planning Commission Hearing 218 27th Avenue

Analysis Discussion

12 October 2017

We are deeply concerned

- We understand you are pretty far down the path with this review.
- We would like to share some information you have not yet been shown.
- Ask you to recognize the submitted documents largely excluded analysis of 2545 Lake St. and did not clearly show impact to adjacent buildings.
- The Staff's Recommendation of Approval is premature due to the incomplete information.
- We are asking for your action to be consistent with that recorded on other recent similar proposals.
- We hope you will agree the changes we are requesting are essential for the community.

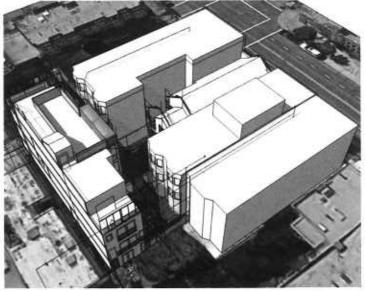
Privacy and Light

- The impact is significant and cannot be visualized clearly based on the documents provided to you.
- These points will be an issue for all 3 of the adjacent parcels and their many residents.

Creating a chasm

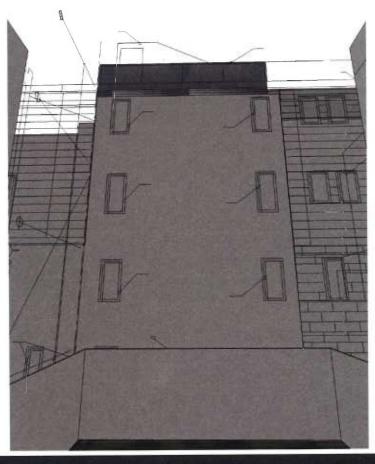
- To aid in the analysis and explanation, we have generated an accurate 3 dimensional model of the proposal and the adjacent properties based on the current set provided by the applicant. Intentional or not, this information is not represented in the package you have been provided.
- The result of the current design is a chasm which will be deprived of privacy and light



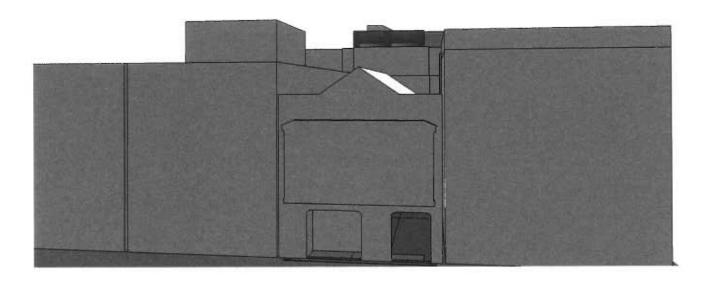


Creating a chasm - Comparison





Shadows cast by the proposed project – Most severe at Winter Solstice



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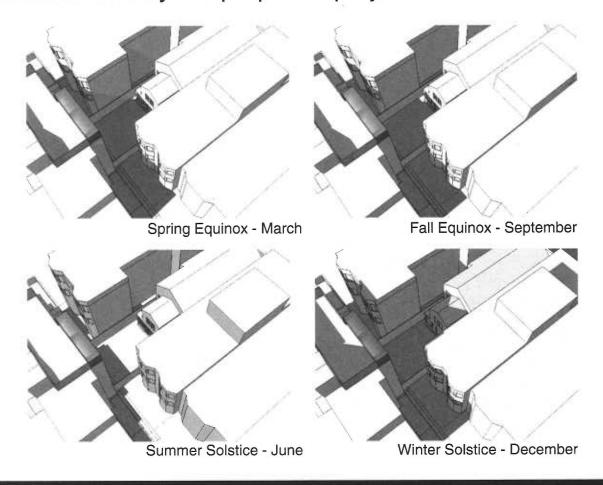
There are significant shadow impacts to the adjacent existing properties that has not been clearly exhibited in the submitted documents

Recommendation:

Condition the project to a height not to exceed that of 210 27th Ave. (removal of 1 floor)

Resulting mass still allows enough area for 3 typical units.

Shadows cast by the proposed project – Most severe at Winter Solstice



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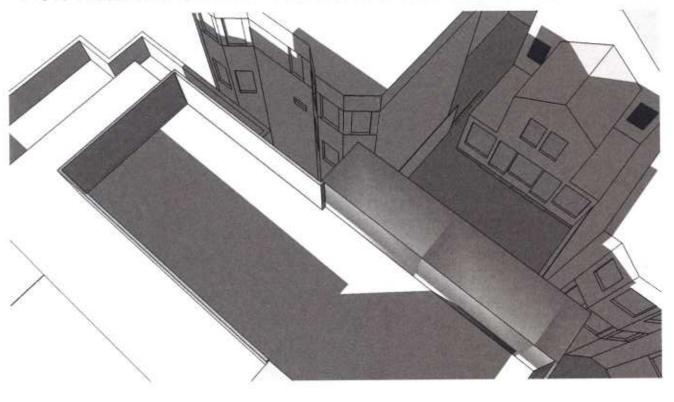
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Limit the Shadows cast by the proposed project – Our Recommendation: Remove the Roof Deck and 1 Floor of the Building



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View from the Unit 3 Private Roof Deck and Side Windows



Issue:

There is direct visual access into private interior and outdoor spaces from the Unit 3 Private Roof Deck

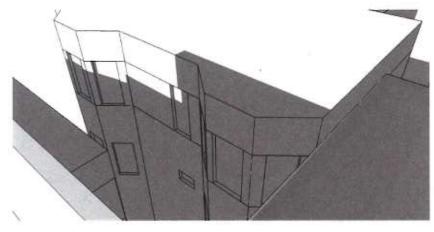
Recommendation:

Condition the project to remove any roof deck and all roof access other than that required for maintenance.

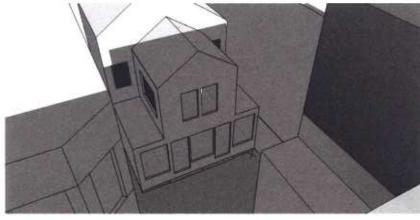
Frosted windows at side elevations must be inoperable



View from the Unit 3 Private Roof Deck



View from Roof Deck toward 210 27th Ave.



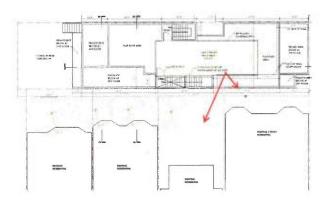
View from Roof Deck toward 2454 Lake St.

Issue:

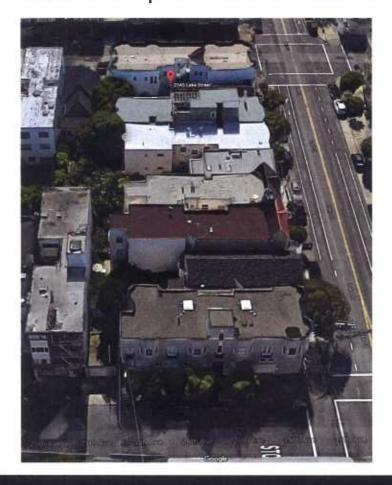
There is direct visual access into private interior and outdoor spaces from the Unit 3 Private Roof Deck

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Condition the project to remove any roof deck and all roof access other than such required for maintenance.



Shadow Impact on Tree Health





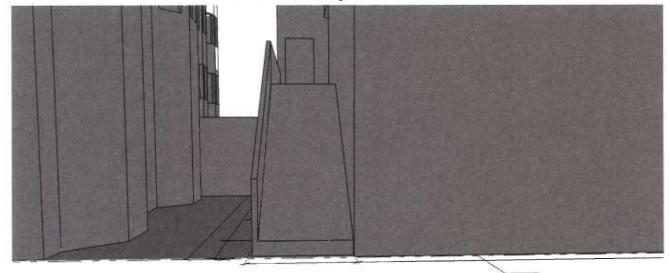
Issue:

Shadow cast by buildings impacts the viability of biological resources. Limiting the project height will allow for healthy tree growth.

Recommendation:

Condition the project to a height not to exceed that of 210 27th Ave. (removal of 1 level and roof deck). Include language protecting existing tree roots and canopy.

View from the Common Entry Deck

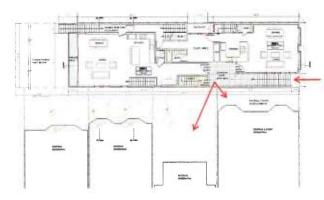


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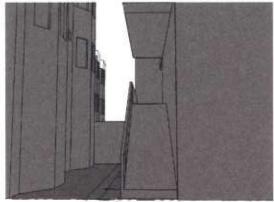
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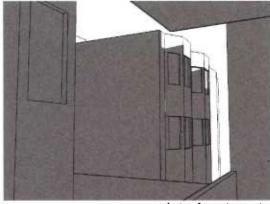
Condition the project to include an opaque screen or panel to prevent the invasive sightlines.



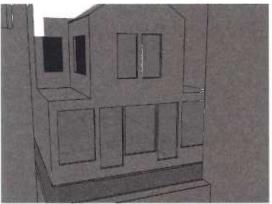
View from the Common Entry Deck



Common Entry Stair



Into Apartments



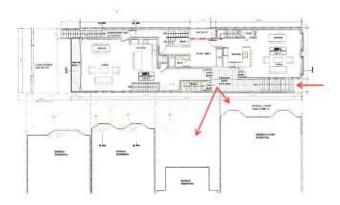
Into 2454 yard/interior

Issue:

There is direct visual access into private interior and outdoor spaces from the Common Entry Deck

Recommendation:

Condition the project to include an opaque screen or panel to prevent the invasive sightlines.



Summary - We request the following changes/conditions:

- Condition the project to a height not to exceed that of 210 27th Ave., removing 1 floor.
- 2. Condition the project to remove any roof deck and all roof access other than that minimally required for maintenance.
- 3. Direct that frosted windows at side elevations must be inoperable.
- 4. Require that an arborist regularly observe the construction, particularly during the demolition and subsequent placement of the foundation to report on the conditions and make recommendations to ensure the health of existing adjacent trees.
- 5. Direct that the Entry Stair and Common Entry Deck include an opaque screen or panel along the side railing extending above eye-level.

EXHIBIT 3



Report for: 218 27TH AVENUE

Building Permits Report: 218 27TH AVENUE

Applications for Building Permits submitted to the Department of Building Inspection.

BUILDING PERMITS:

Permit: <u>201607051548</u>

Form: 2 - New Wood Construction

Filed: 7/5/2016 Address: 218 27TH AV Parcel: 1386/038

Existing:

Proposed: APARTMENTS

Existing Units: 0
Proposed Units: 3

Status: TRIAGE

Status Date: 7/5/2016 10:58:55 AM

Description: TO ERECT 4 STORIES, 3 UNITS RESIDENTIAL BUILDING.

Cost: \$1,400,000.00

 Permit:
 201607051544

 Form:
 6 - Demolition

 Filed:
 7/5/2016

 Address:
 218 27TH AV

 Parcel:
 1386/038

Existing: 1 FAMILY DWELLING

Proposed:

Existing Units: 1
Proposed Units: 0

Status: TRIAGE

Status Date: 7/5/2016 10:51:19 AM

Description: TO DEMOLISH 2 STORY SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING.

Cost: \$15,000.00

Permit: 200809040764

Form: 8 - Alterations Without Plans

Filed: 9/4/2008 Address: 218 27TH AV Parcel: 1386/038

Existing: 1 FAMILY DWELLING
Proposed: 1 FAMILY DWELLING

Existing Units: 0
Proposed Units: 0

Status:

COMPLETE

Status Date:

10/22/2008

Description:

REROOFING

Cost:

\$16,970.00

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EXHIBIT 4



Report for: 218 27TH AVENUE

Planning Applications Report: 218 27TH AVENUE

Permits are required in San Francisco to operate a businesses or to perform construction activity. The Planning Department reviews most applications for these permits in order to ensure that the projects comply with the <u>Planning Code</u>. The 'Project' is the activity being proposed.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS:

2016-003258CUA

Laura Ajello Tel: 415-575-9142

Conditional Use Authorization (CUA) 218 27th Avenue

Demolition of a single family home and new construction of a 3-unit apartment building.

OPENED

STATUS

ADDRESS

FURTHER INFO

8/15/2016

Closed - Approved 11/9/2017

218 27TH AVE 94121

Related Documents View in ACA

RELATED RECORDS: 2016-003258PRJ

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Laura Ajello Tel: 415-575-9142

Project Profile (PRJ) 218 27th Avenue

Demolition of a single family home and new construction of a 3-unit apartment building.

OPENED

STATUS

ADDRESS

FURTHER INFO

PROJECT FEATURES

3/11/2016

Under Review 9/26/2017

218 27TH AVE 94121

Related Documents
View in ACA

RELATED RECORDS: 2016-003258PRJ

- <u>2016-003258CUA</u> - <u>2016-003258ENV</u> RELATED BUILDING PERMITS: Loading...

2016-003258ENV

Stephanie Cisneros Tel: 415-575-9186

Environmental (ENV) 218 27th Avenue

Demolish existing two-story single-family home and construct a four-story building containing three residences and three parking spaces.

OPENED

STATUS

ADDRESS

FURTHER INFO

3/11/2016

Closed - CEQA Clearance 218 27TH AVE 94121

Issued 7/5/2016

Related Documents

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RELATED RECORDS: 2016-003258PRJ

- **2016-003258ENV** - **2**016-003258APL-02

PERMITTED SHORT TERM RENTALS:

None

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EXHIBIT 5

CASE NUMBER

APPLICATION FOR Conditional Use Authorization

1. Owner/Applicant Information	
PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME:	
The Toboni Group	
PROPERTY OWNER'S ADDRESS:	TELEPHONE:
2004 Commonte Ctroat	(415) 828-0717
3364 Sacramento Street San Francisco, CA 94118	EMAIL:
Sall Francisco, GA 94 (10	j ∉ toboni@tobonigroup.com
APPLICANT'S NAME:	
	Same as Above 🗶
APPLICANT'S ADDRESS:	TELEPHONE:
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CONTACT FOR PROJECT INFORMATION:	
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ADDRESS:	TELEPHONE
Farella Braun + Martel, LLP	(415) 954-4958
235 Montgomery	EMAIL:
San Francisco, CA. 94104	idick@fbm.com
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	Same as Above TELEPHONE:
ADDRESS:	()
	EMAIL:
2. Location and Classification	
STREET ADDRESS OF PROJECT:	ZIP CODE:
218-27th Avenue	94121
CROSS STREETS:	
Lake and California Streets	
ASSESSORS BLOCK/LOT: LOT DIMENSIONS: LOT AREA (SQ FT): ZON	ING DISTRICT: HEIGHT/BULK DISTRICT:
1386 / 038 25'x120' 2,996 R	M-1 40-X

3. Project Description

(Please check all that apply) Change of Use Change of Hours	Additions to Building: Rear Front	PRESENT OR PREVIOUS USE: Single Family home PROPOSED USE:
New Construction Alterations Demolition	☐ Height ☐ Side Yard	3-dwelling with BUILDING APPLICATION PERMIT NO: 201607051548-New
Other Please clarify:		20160+051548-demo 7/5/16

4. Project Summary Table

If you are not sure of the eventual size of the project, provide the maximum estimates.

	EXISTING USES:	EXISTING USES TO BE RETAINED.	NET NEW CONSTRUCTION AND/OR ADDITION:	PROJECT TOTALS:
		PROJECT FEATURES		
Dwelling Units	1		3	3
Hotel Rooms				
Parking Spaces	2		3	3
Loading Spaces				300
Number of Buildings	1		1	1
Height of Building(s)	251		401	40'
Number of Stories	2		4	4
Bicycle Spaces			3	3
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Residential	11500		5,245	5,245
Retail				
Office				
Industrial/PDR Production, Distribution, & Repair			950	950
Parking	800		•	
Other (Specify Use)				0 -
TOTAL GSF	5,000		6,195	6,145

Please describe any additional project features that are not included in this table: (Attach a separate sheet if more space is needed.)

5. Action(s) Requested (Include Planning Code Section which authorizes action)

Table 209.2 requires conditional use authorization for removal of dwelling units in RM-1 districts. Section 317(g) (5)(A)-(R) requires findings regarding the proposed dwelling unit removal.

Conditional Use Findings

Pursuant to Planning Code Section 303(c), before approving a conditional use authorization, the Planning Commission needs to find that the facts presented are such to establish the findings stated below. In the space below and on separate paper, if necessary, please present facts sufficient to establish each finding.

- 1. That the proposed use or feature, at the size and intensity contemplated and at the proposed location, will provide a development that is necessary or desirable for, and compatible with, the neighborhood or the community; and
- 2. That such use or feature as proposed will not be detrimental to the health, safety, convenience or general welfare of persons residing or working in the vicinity, or injurious to property, improvements or potential development in the vicinity, with respect to aspects including but not limited to the following:
 - (a) The nature of the proposed site, including its size and shape, and the proposed size, shape and arrangement of structures;
 - (b) The accessibility and traffic patterns for persons and vehicles, the type and volume of such traffic, and the adequacy of proposed off-street parking and loading;
 - (c) The safeguards afforded to prevent noxious or offensive emissions such as noise, glare, dust and odor;
 - (d) Treatment given, as appropriate, to such aspects as landscaping, screening, open spaces, parking and loading areas, service areas, lighting and signs; and
- 3. That such use or feature as proposed will comply with the applicable provisions of this Code and will not adversely affect the Master Plan.

See attached.

Priority General Plan Policies Findings

Proposition M was adopted by the voters on November 4, 1986. It requires that the City shall find that proposed projects and demolitions are consistent with eight priority policies set forth in Section 101.1 of the City Planning Code. These eight policies are listed below. Please state how the project is consistent or inconsistent with each policy. Each statement should refer to specific circumstances or conditions applicable to the property. Each policy must have a response. IF A GIVEN POLICY DOES NOT APPLY TO YOUR PROJECT, EXPLAIN WHY IT DOES NOT.

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Applicant's Affidavit

Under penalty of perjury the following declarations are made:

a: The undersigned is the owner or authorized agent of the owner of this property.

b: The information presented is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

c. The other information or applications may be required.

Signature:

Date:

Print name, and indicate whether owner, or authorized agent:

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Application Submittal Checklist

APPLICATION MATERIALS

Applications listed below submitted to the Planning Department must be accompanied by this checklist and all required materials. The checklist is to be completed and signed by the applicant or authorized agent and a department staff person.

CHECKLIST

	ĻΖN	
300-foot radius map, if applicable		
Address labels (original), if applicable		
Address labels (copy of the above), if applicable		
Site Plan	X	
Floor Plan	X	
Elevations	X.	
Section 303 Requirements	X	
Prop. M Findings		
Historic photographs (if possible), and current photographs	X	NOTES:
Check payable to Planning Dept.	\\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\	[] Required Material, Write "N/A" if you believe the item is not applicable, (e.g. letter of authorization is not required if application is
Original Application signed by owner or agent	X	signed by property owner.)
Letter of authorization for agent		Typically would not apply. Nevertheless, in a specific case, staff may require the item.
Other: Section Plan, Detail drawings (ie. windows, door entries, trim), Specifications (for cleaning,		 Two sets of original labels and one copy of addresses of adjacent property owners and
repair, etc.) and/or Product cut sheets for new elements (ie. windows, doors)		owners of property across street.
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APPLICATION FOR

Dwelling Unit Removal Merger, Conversion, or Demolition

1. Owner/Applicant Information PROPERTY OWNER'S NAME: THE TOBONI GVOUP PROPERTY OWNER'S ADDRESS: 3364 Sacvamento Street SF, CA. 94118 APPLICANT'S NAME:	TELEPHONE: (415) 828-0+17 EMAIL: Stobonia tobonigroup, CON Same as Above
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CONTACT FOR PROJECT INFORMATION: ITEM Dick ADDRESS: 235 Mandaganery 17th Fir. 5F, CA. ayroy	TELEPHONE: (411) 954-4958 EMAIL: idick (wfbm. COM)
COMMUNITY LIAISON FOR PROJECT (PLEASE REPORT CHANGES TO THE ZONE	Proced.
ADDRESS:	Same as Above
2. Location and Classification STREET ADDRESS OF PROJECT: 2 18 - 2 7th Avenue CROSS STREETS: Lake 4 California Streets ASSESSORS BLOCKLOT: LOT DIMENSIONS: LOT AREA (SO FT)	ZIP CODE: 94121 ZONING DISTRICT: HEIGHT/BULK DISTRICT:
ASSESSORS BLOCK/LOT: LOT DIMENSIONS: LOT AREA (SO FT)	RM-1 40-X

3. Project Type and History

(Please check all that apply) New Construction Alterations Demolition Other Please clarity:	ADDITIONS TO BUILDING: Rear Front Height Side Yard	BUILDING PERMIT NUMBER(S): 201407051548 - CONSTRUCT 201607051548 - CONS	THIS YES	7/16 NO
		Was the building subject to the Ellis Act within the last decade?		X

4. Project Summary Table

If you are not sure of the eventual size of the project, provide the maximum estimates.

	EXISTING USES:	EXISTING USES TO BE RETAINED:	NET NEW CONSTRUCTION AND/OR ADDITION:	PROJECT TOTALS:
		PROJECT FEATURES		
Dwelling Units)		3	3
Hotel Rooms				
Parking Spaces	2		3	3
Loading Spaces				
Number of Buildings	1		1	1
Height of Building(s)	25'		401	40'
Number of Stories	2		Y	4
Bicycle Spaces			3	3
Residential	1,200 GRC	OSS SQUARE FOOTAGE (GS	J, 245	5,245
Retail				
Office				
Industrial/PDR Production, Distribution, & Repair				0.00
Parking	800		950	930
Other (Specify Use)				
TOTAL GSF	2,000		6,195	6,195

5. Additional Project Details

UNITS		EXISTING:	PROPOSED:	NET CHANGE:
in the state of th	Owner-occupied Units:	1-vacent	3	2
	Rental Units:			
	Total Units:		3	2
	Units subject to Rent Control:			
	Vacant Units:			(1)

BEDROOMS	EXISTING:	PROPOSED:	NET CHANGE:
Owner-occupied Bedrooms:	3-vacant	9	6
Rental Bedrooms:			
Total Bedrooms:	3	9	6
Bedrooms subject to Rent Control:			

6. Unit Specific Information

	UNIT NO.	NO, OF BEDROOMS	GSF	OCCUPANCY		ADDITIONAL CRITERIA (check all that apply)
EXISTING	218	3	2,720	OWNER OCCUPIED	☐ RENTAL	☐ ELLIS ACT 🗷 VACANT ☐ RENT CONTROL
PROPOSED	1	3	1,270	OWNER OCCUPIED	☐ RENTAL	
EXISTING				☐ OWNER OCCUPIED	☐ RENTAL	☐ ELLIS ACT ☐ VACANT ☐ RENT CONTROL
PROPOSED	2	3	1,650	M OWNER OCCUPIED	☐ RENTAL	
EXISTING				☐ OWNER OCCUPIED	☐ RENTAL	☐ ELLIS ACT ☐ VACANT ☐ RENT CONTROL
PROPOSED	3	3	2,225	OWNER OCCUPIED	☐ RENTAL	

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Priority General Plan Policies – Planning Code Section 101.1 (APPLICABLE TO ALL PROJECTS)

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Please respond to each policy; if it's not applicable explain why:

 That existing neighborhood-serving retail uses be preserved and enhanced and future opportunities for resident employment in and ownership of such businesses enhanced;

see attached

2. That existing housing and neighborhood character be conserved and protected in order to preserve the cultural and economic diversity of our peighborhoods;

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3. That the City's supply of affordable housing be preserved and enhanced;

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4. That commuter traffic not impede Muni transit service or overburden our streets or neighborhood parking;

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Please respond to each policy; if it's not applicable explain why:

That a diverse economic base be maintained by protecting our industrial and service sectors from displacement due to commercial office development, and that future opportunities for resident employment and ownership in these sectors be enhanced;

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6. That the City achieve the greatest possible preparedness to protect against injury and loss of life in an earthquake;

see attached

7. That landmarks and historic buildings be preserved; and

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8. That our parks and open space and their access to sunlight and vistas be protected from development.

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Dwelling Unit Demolition

(SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION)

Pursuant to Planning Code Section 317(d), Residential Demolition not otherwise subject to a Conditional Use Authorization shall be either subject to a Mandatory Discretionary Review hearing or will qualify for administrative approval.

Administrative approval only applies to:

(1) single-family dwellings in RH-1 and RH-1(D) Districts proposed for Demolition that are not affordable or financially accessible housing (valued by a credible appraisal within the past six months to be greater than 80% of combined land and structure value of single-family homes in San Francisco); **OR** (2) residential buildings of two units or fewer that are found to be unsound housing.

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Please see the Department's website under Publications for "Loss of Dwelling Units Numerical Values".

The Planning Commission will consider the following criteria in the review of Residential Demolitions. Please fill out answers to the criteria below:

	EXISTING VALUE AND SOUNDNESS	YES	NO
1	Is the value of the existing land and structure of the single-family dwelling affordable or financially accessible housing (below the 80% average price of single-family homes in San Francisco, as determined by a credible appraisal within six months)?	/A	
	If no, submittal of a credible appraisal is required with the application.		
2	Has the housing been found to be unsound at the 50% threshold (applicable to one- and two-family dwellings)?		
3	Is the property free of a history of serious, continuing code violations?	X	
4	Has the housing been maintained in a decent, safe, and sanitary condition?	X	
	Is the property a historical resource under CEQA?		X
5	If yes, will the removal of the resource have a substantial adverse impact under CEQA? YES NO		
	RENTAL PROTECTION	YES	NO
6	Does the Project convert rental housing to other forms of tenure or occupancy?		M
7	Does the Project remove rental units subject to the Rent Stabilization and Arbitration Ordinance or affordable housing?		X
	PRIORITY POLICIES	YES	NO
8	Does the Project conserve existing housing to preserve cultural and economic neighborhood diversity?		M
9	Does the Project conserve neighborhood character to preserve neighborhood cultural and economic diversity?	X	
10	Does the Project protect the relative affordability of existing housing?		X
11	Does the Project increase the number of permanently affordable units as governed by Section 415?		X

Dwelling Unit Demolition

(SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION CONTINUED)

Does the Project locate in-fill housing on appropriate sites in established neighborhoods? Does the Project increase the number of family-sized units on-site? Does the Project create new supportive housing? Is the Project of superb architectural and urban design, meeting all relevant design	
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guidelines, to enhance the existing neighborhood character?	
Does the Project increase the number of on-site dwelling units?	
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Under penalty of perjury the following declarations are made:

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b: The information presented is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

c: Other information or applications may be required.

Print name, and indicate whether owner, or authorized agent:

Demolition Application Submittal Checklist (FOR PLANNING DEPARTMENT USE ONLY)

Applications submitted to the Planning Department must be accompanied by this checklist and all required

THE REAL PROPERTY.		
APPLICATION MATERIALS	CHECKLIST	
Original Application, signed with all blanks completed	×	
Prop. M Findings (General Plan Policy Findings)	R	
Supplemental Information Pages for Demolition	X	
Notification Materials Package: (See Page 4)	*	
Notification map	□ *	
Address labels	□ *	
Address list (printed list of all mailing data or copy of labels)	_*	
Affidavit of Notification Materials Preparation	_*	
Set of plans: One set full size AND two reduced size 11"x17"	X	
Site Plan (existing and proposed)	A	
Floor Plans (existing and proposed)	A	
Elevations (including adjacent structures)	TX.	
Current photographs	X	
Historic photographs (if possible)	N	NOTES:
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