

838 Azure St. PLNG-2022-7324

Wendy Lao, Associate Planner Planning Commission, August 6, 2025

Site Context



Project Overview

Special Development Permit (SDP)

- Construct four single-family homes
 - Over 45% FAR triggers Planning Commission review
- Allow deviations
 - Front yard setback
 - Combined side yard setback ground floor
- Tentative Map (TM)
 - Subdivide one lot into four lots

Existing Site - Background



- Site Area: 0.34 Acre
- Zoning: R-2/PD (Low-Medium Density Residential / Planned Development)
- Site History:

Built: 1956

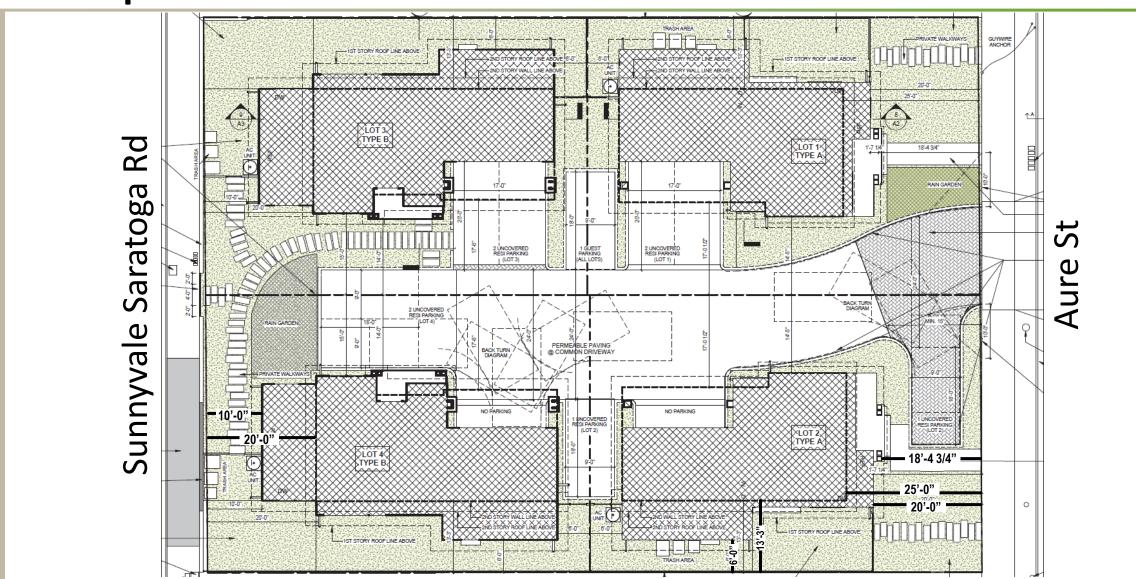
Previous Approval: 2017

Demolition: 2020

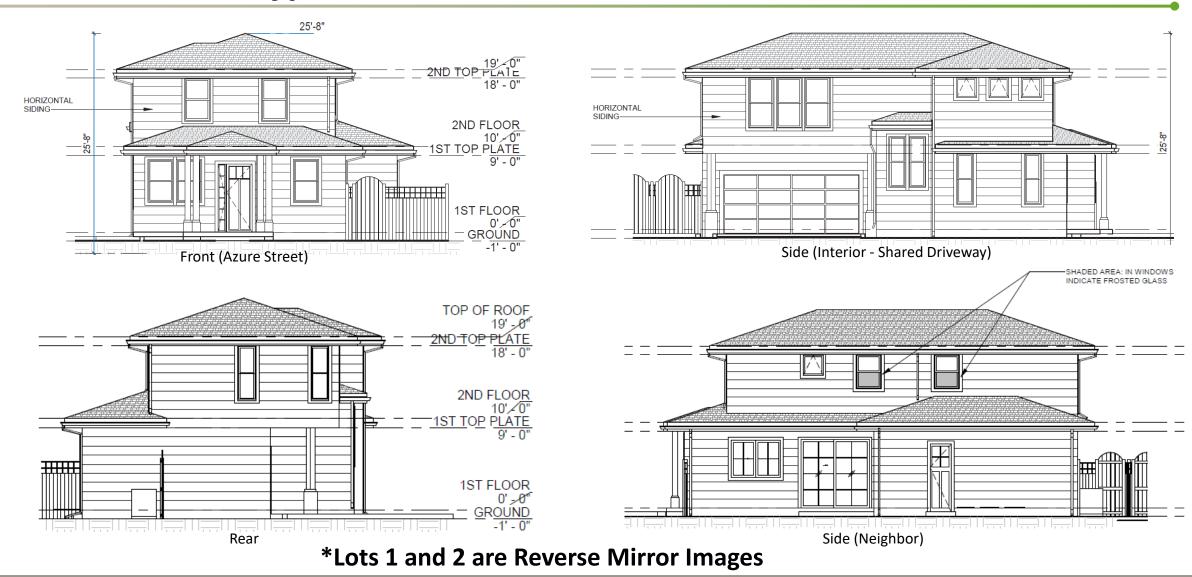
New Application: 2022

CEQA: Exempt (Class 32)

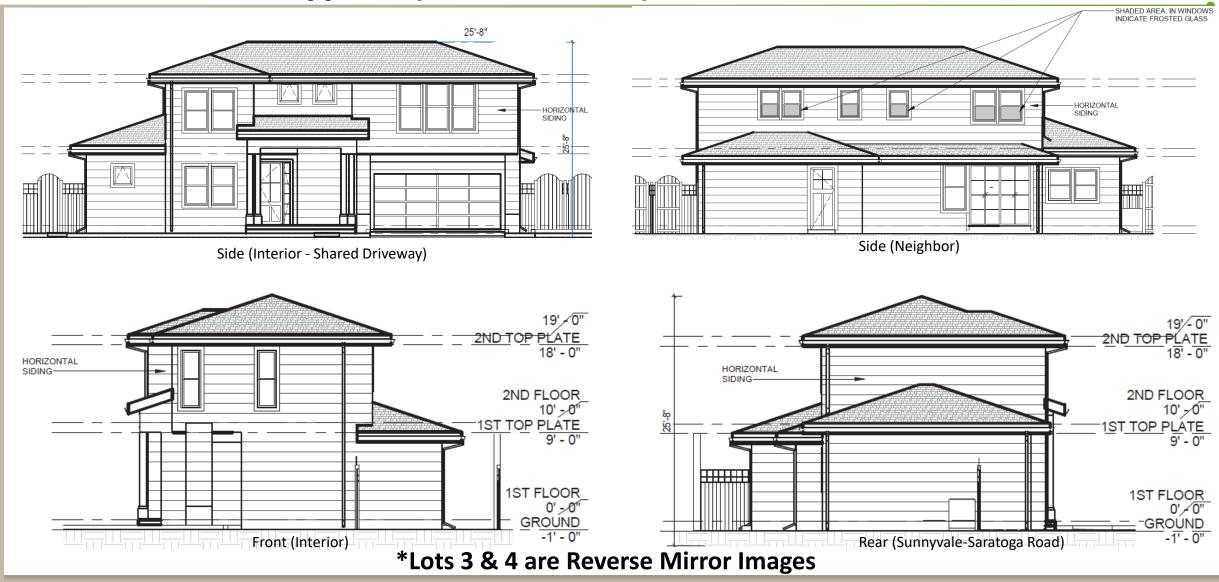
Proposed Site Plan



Elevations – Type A – Azure Street



Elevations – Type B (Interior Lots)



Streetscape Elevations



Elevation from Azure Street

Street Views



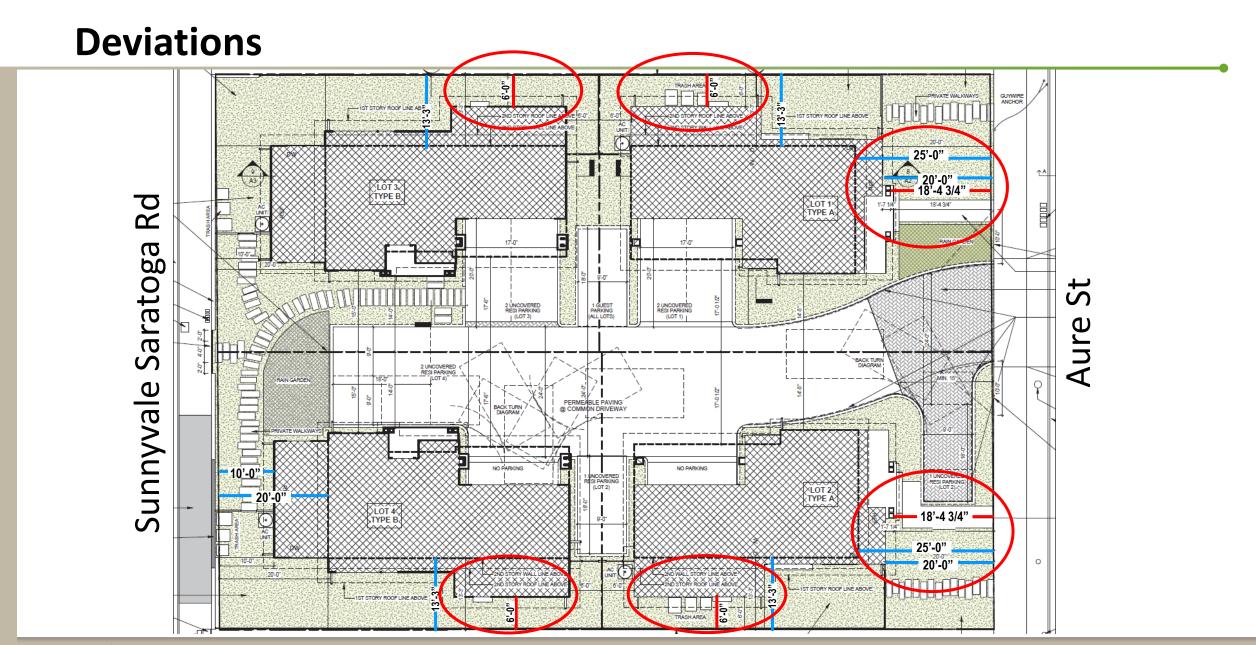
Rendering from Azure Street looking northwest

Project Data Comparison

	Original 2017 Approval	Current Proposal
Number of Units	4	same
Number of Parking Spaces	8 residential 1 visitor	same
Building Height	28'-0"	25'-8"
Floor Area (FAR)	8,492 sq. ft.	8,186 sq. ft.
Front Setback — 1 st Story (Azure St.)	20'	20' to exterior walls; 18'-4.75" to porch posts
Front Setback — 2 nd Story (Azure St.)	25'	same
Side Setback – 1 st Story	6' (12' combined)	same
Side Setback – 2 nd Story	10' (24' combined)	13'-3" (26'-6" combined)
Rear Setback — 1 st Story (Sunnyvale-Saratoga Rd.)	10' (w/ 25% encroachment)	same
Rear Setback 2 nd Story (Sunnyvale-Saratoga Rd.)	20'	same

Deviations

	DEVELOPMENT STANDARD	PROVIDED	REQUIRED
1	Front Setback	20' to exterior walls; 18'-4.75" to porch posts	20'
2	Side Yard Setback – Ground Floor Individual	6'	4 ′
	Combined	12'	20'-6"



Community Outreach

- December 19, 2023

 Virtual Meeting
- 12 Participants
- Comments:
 - Tree screening
 - Size of upper-story windows
 - Construction timeline
 - Want construction to avoid vacant lot & illegal dumping

Staff Recommendation

Alternatives

- 1. Approve the SDP and TM
- 2. Approve the SDP and TM with modifications
- 3. Do not make findings and direct staff where changes should be made
- 4. Deny the project

Staff Recommendation

Alternative 1: Approve SDP and TM per the Recommended Findings and Conditions of Approval.

Questions?