

Modifications to the Orchard Gardens Project 245 West Weddell Drive PLNG-2025-0332

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Overview

- Planning Commission approved the project on September 20, 2021
- The project consists of 123 affordable housing units
 - Demolish 30 units
 - Retain and renovate 32 units (Parkview Apts)
 - Construct 93 new units in a new six-story building
 - Various site improvements
 - Density Bonus with multiple concessions and waivers
- Modifications are prompted by a 10-15% cost reduction needed to make the project financially feasible

Site Context

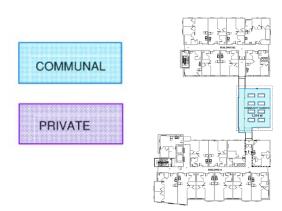


• Site Area: 1.72-acres

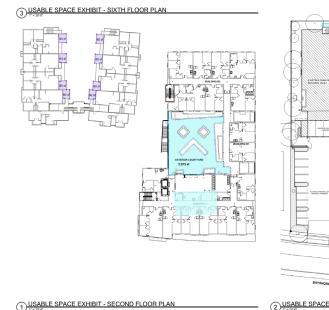
• Zoning: R-4/PD

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Usable Open Space

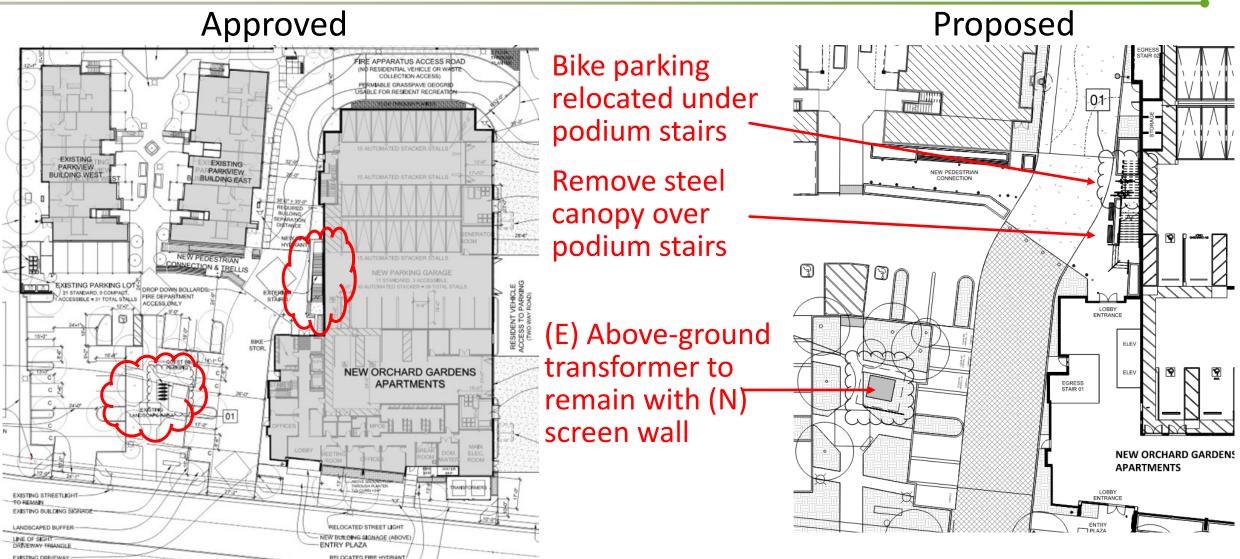


Usable Open Space (S.F.)	Approved	Proposed
Total Usable Open	28,069	21,923
Private Balconies	6,880 (86 Units x 80 s.f.)	1,920 (24 units x 80s.f.)
Usable Open Space Per Unit	178	168

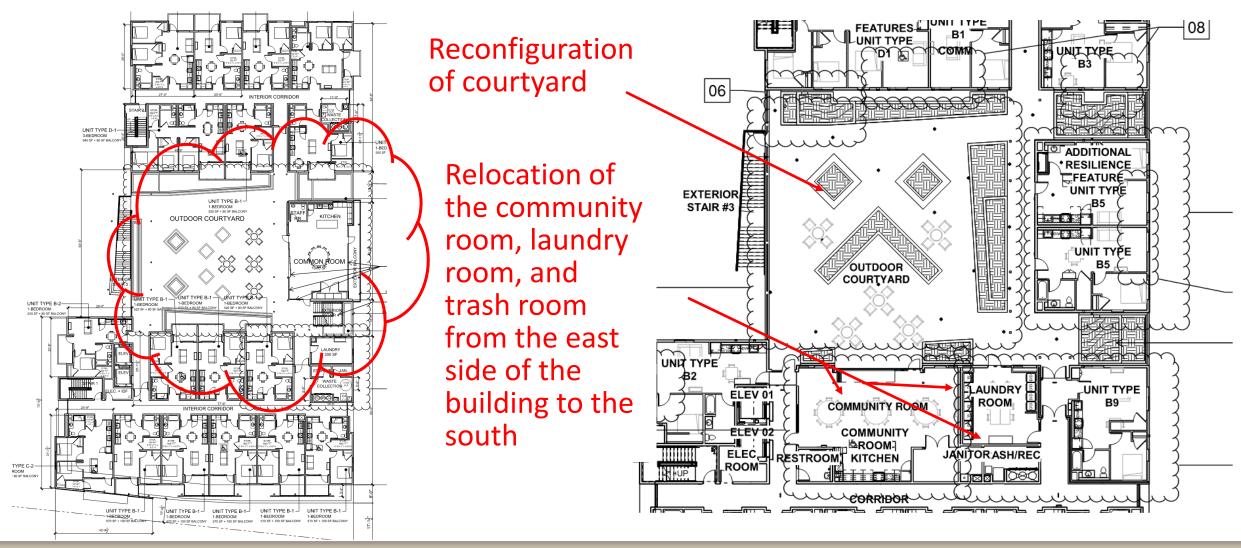




Ground Level Modifications



2nd Level Modifications



- Removal of the roof-mounted centralized HVAC system and substitution with wall-mounted individual package terminal heat pumps (PTAC)
- Removal of the steel trellis over the community garden on the roof deck
- A one-foot increase in building height

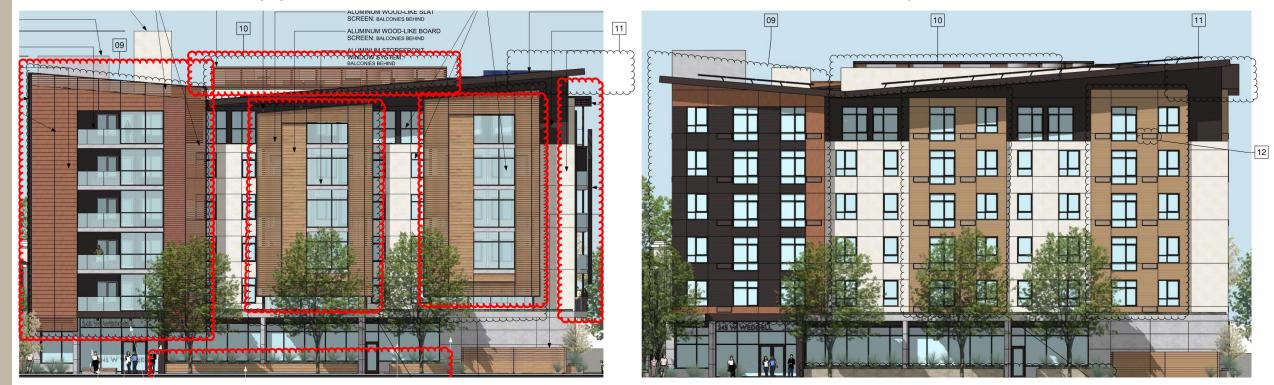
Exterior Modifications

- Removal of all balconies
- Removal of screen wall on southern façade (front elevation) and along the interior courtyard
- Replace window walls at corridor ends with individual punch window openings
- Removal of exterior stairs on the east side of the building
- Material cladding changes

Front Elevation (South)

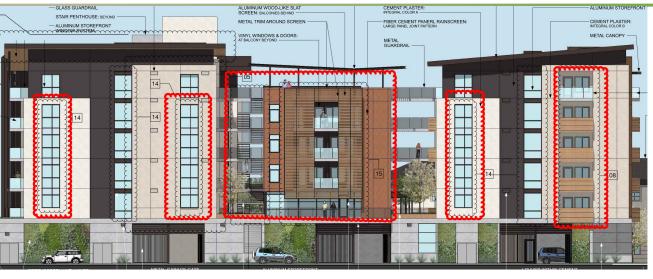
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East Side Elevation

Approved





West Side Elevation

Approved





Rear Elevation (North)

Approved



Interior Courtyard Rendering

Approved



Courtyard Approach Rendering

Approved



Proposed Front Rendering



 Provide staff with feedback and direction to work with the Applicant and allow minor modifications to be approved by the Director of Community Development.

Materials and Finishes



1) STREET FRONTAGE RENDERING - EXTERIOR CLADDING UPDATES

MISC. PLANNING PERMIT ADJUSTMENT DRAWING