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St. Luke Lutheran Church  
1025 The Dalles Ave.  
Sunnyvale, CA 94087

### Youth Outpost Project Description

St. Luke Lutheran Church proposes to build a raised  $\pm 320$  sq. ft. meeting room, with associated decks, accessible ramp and play equipment, within the drip line of a large Blue Oak tree on its campus. It will provide a much needed recreation space for the youth, and be a focal point for the family-oriented St Luke community. This building and structure will be used primarily for the senior high Sunday school class, but may also be used by other small groups of youth and/or adults. Typical meetings will have an attendance of between five and twenty people.

#### Landscaping and Exterior Lighting

The Blue Oak, which is integral to the project, has been upgraded with new cables to provide structural support. Branches have been trimmed under the direction of a certified arborist who has confirmed the soundness and health of the tree. See arborist's report, dated 9-14-15 by Urban Tree Management.

Lighting on the new building will be mounted on the side of the building and have glare shields to ensure that light does not spill beyond the property line. All new lighting will be on timers. Motion-activated security lights will be installed to discourage after-hours activities.

#### Parking

The Youth Outpost will be an additional facility for those already using the site, so additional parking will not be required to accommodate its use. Ample parking for the campus is already provided on site.

#### Hours of Use

The new building may be used between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m. seven days a week. The most consistent use will be during the Sunday school hour, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon on Sundays.



### Noise Control

Noise from the building will be kept below 50 decibels at the property line and is expected to be negligible most of the time. Adults or parents will always supervise the youths using of the Youth Outpost.

### Communications

Neighbor – Church communications will remain open. Office hours are 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Monday through Friday and neighbors are welcome to bring any concerns to the office during these hours.

### Building Design

The buildings adjacent to the new Youth Outpost have stucco walls, and low-sloped roofs with built-up roofing. The new Youth Outpost room will have an up-swinging butterfly roof, with roof slopes to match the existing adjacent building. Materials for the new building will be fiber cement lap siding, wood railing and deck, with a vibrant trim.

### Use Permit Justification

The proposed use of the Youth Outpost will not impair the neighboring adjacent residential properties, as it is set deep within the Church campus, far from the site boundaries. No light will spill over the site boundaries, and noise levels will be similar to what is already occurring on the campus. The Youth Outpost is an additional facility for uses already existing on the site.

The general appearance of the proposed structures will not impair the neighboring adjacent residential properties, as it is similar in scale and character to the existing buildings on the site.