## Ryan Kuchenig

From:

Carolyn James

Sent:

Thursday, July 05, 2018 1:54 AM

To:

Ryan Kuchenig; PlanningCommission AP

Subject:

Fwd: Project 2018-7048

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From: Carolyn James <

**Date:** June 29, 2018 at 2:12:21 PM GMT+2

To: rkuchnenig@sunnyvale.ca.gov

Subject: Project 2018-7048

Hi Ryan,

I am a Sunnyvale resident who lives near this proposed development and I am very against it. I am concerned with the number of units and bedrooms the developer wants to put in. This development is going to extremely increase parking issues in my neighborhood, which are already a problem. This development is simply not including enough parking spaces in their plan for the number of potential tenants. Instead people will be parking on the street and so slowing down and making u turns to look for parking spots. Old San Francisco has recently already turned into a mini highway, this is going to be a safety concern if people are disrupting traffic patterns to look for parking on this busy street.

In addition, a three story building is too high for our neighborhood. No other property on this side of the street is three stories and I do not want my neighborhood turned into a high rise row. It's already multi story across the street. Please do not let us become a street of high rises. Doing this would go against the city plan of preserving neighborhoods.

I attended all of the meetings in regards to this proposed development last year to share my same concerns. The developer has not addressed the three story or parking concerns so I still do not think this should be approved. I unfortunately cannot attend the meeting on July 9th as I will be out of the country, but I do hope my comments are included in the packet for the board to consider.

Thank you, Carolyn James

Sent from my iPhone

July 2, 2018

Planning Commission 456 W Olive Avenue Sunnyvale, Ca 94088

Subject: File # 2018-7048 Location: 669-673 Old San Francisco Road (APN: 209-17-050 & 209-17-051)

Dear Planning Commission,

Thank you for your services to Sunnyvale. In regard to the proposed project at 669-673 Old San Francisco Road, several improvements have been made to the proposed project, but the project is still too large for the proposed space and out of character for the neighborhood. Due nature of the remaining concerns, this building project should not be approved until the proposal is updated to be smaller and more in line with the character of the neighborhood.

#### Concerns:

- 1. The proposed two doors on each of the front units of the structure face the street and are very undesirable, given how high they are above grade. These doors should be moved to the side of the building to be more fitting with the character of the neighborhood.
- 2. The project should be at most 2 stories tall. The proposed structure is not compatible with surrounding structure heights. All of the adjacent buildings are, at most, two stories tall. The proposed structure is three stories, which is much higher. (Other locations where three stories are adjacent to two stories are not working well). Since the buildings to the west are two story and the buildings to the east are one story, this project should be at most two stories as well. This follows the recommendations of the general plan policy listed below:

## General Plan Policy:

- **LT -2.1** Recognize that the City is composed of residential, industrial and commercial neighborhoods, each with its own individual character; and allow change consistent with reinforcing positive neighborhood values.
- **LT 4.1** Protect the integrity of the City's neighborhoods; whether residential, industrial or commercial. (p. 3-13)
- **LT-4.1a** Limit the intrusion of incompatible uses and inappropriate development into city neighborhoods. (p. 3-13)
- **LT-4.1c** Use density to transition between land use and to buffer between sensitive uses and less compatible uses. (p. 3-13)
- **LT-4.1d** Anticipate and avoid whenever practical the incompatibility that can arise between dissimilar uses. (p. 3-13)
  - 3.It is recommended to decrease the number of units from the proposed 6 and / or to reduce the size of each unit. This will allow the massing of the project to be further reduced and allow it to fit with the neighborhood.

- 4. To protect the environment, how will the demolition material be recycled? Which company will do the recycling? Are they certified?
- 5. The proposed development is located in a flood area. How will the risks of flooding be mitigated? Recessing the structure below grade will allow the parking area to flood with water. Increasing the height of the structure is also not recommended since this will make the structure much taller than surrounding buildings. Fire danger due to utilities in the garage, such as electric car chargers, risk the safety of existing surrounding structures and residents. There is also a safety concern because electric cars with large batteries parked in this recessed flood-prone area represent a fire and electrocution danger.
- 6. Parking is a concern in that the proposed development will add to the parking demand on Old San Francisco Road. This should be remedied by reducing the number of units and increasing on site parking.
- 7. The plan for the garbage storage and collection is still not clear. Garbage cans should not be placed on Old San Francisco road for collection and should not be visible from the street during the rest of the week.
- 8. The proposed rear parking area is recessed with a retaining wall and close to the rear property boundary. This recessed parking structure is closer to the property boundary than the rear setbacks of the property allow. The parking should be reconfigured so that a retaining wall for the parking structure satisfies the rear setback. If a retaining wall is necessary, then there isn't enough room for these parking spaces.
- 9. The recessed parking structure in the rear of the property presents a safety concern, as the only accessible way out of the area is up the driveway.
- 10. Several tall beautiful trees exist on the western property boundary (as shown below), but are not shown in the site plans. These trees appear to overlap with the planned building, and there is a concern for the preservation of these trees.



E. Stauffer Sunnyvale, Ca

cc: Ryan Kuchnenig

Ref: File#: Project 2018-7048

2 July 2018

TO: Sunnyvale Planning Commission/Ryan Kuchenig

We continue to be concerned about the project reference 2018-7048. As previously stated, our main concerns are as follow:

We understand the rezoning for this project has been approved. However, the new development should be consistent with, and architecturally compatible with the neighborhood. We want to preserve our single-family dwelling neighborhood! This higher-density model is not the flavor our neighborhood! We have lived here over 45 years and are witnessing changes that are not what we bought into. We are concerned this sets a precedent going forward.

The massing of the project is NOT COMPATIBLE with the neighborhood. This development would have the highest massing of any residential development on the north side of Old San Francisco Road between Gail Avenue and Ironwood Terrace if approved. The nicest development that would model an acceptable development massing is the Pebble Creek development at 508-598 Old San Francisco Road. **See photo below.** 



We are concerned with the additional traffic and encroachment on single family, once quiet neighborhoods. With more and more development we have seen an incredible traffic increase on Old San Francisco Road (not to mention elsewhere) and the street parking has become unsightly. It has become a dangerous situation.

Ref: File#: Project 2018-7048

## To summarize our concerns:

- 1. The proposed development has the most massing of any residential development on the north side of Old San Francisco Road between Gail Avenue and Ironwood Terrace.
  - a. We want to protect the integrity of our neighborhood. That is the goal in Sunnyvale's General Plan Policies. Why isn't this happening? The General Plan says to maintain lower density residential development areas where feasible (LT-3.3). It also states to promote and preserve single-family detached housing where appropriate and in existing single-family neighborhoods (LT-3.3b). Additionally, it states to locate lower-density housing in proximity to existing lower density housing (LT-3.4b).

# 2. On-street parking and traffic has become a dangerous and unsightly situation

- a. With the increase in traffic to avoid the extremely busy El Camino Real, Old San Francisco Road has become a very busy street. Adding driveways with many additional cars entering and exiting would further increase traffic safety problems.
- b. With the influx of multiple families living in over-crowed single family housing, the street parking has become unsightly and congested. Further, many families use their garages for storage or additional living area, rather than car parking. It is anticipated that this situation would result in this development and the limited proposed parking contributing to impact the street parking problem and further add to safety concerns.
- c. This has affected the quality of our neighborhood in a way we believe was not meant to be in the Goal LT-4 section of the Sunnyvale General Plan.

Thank you for considering our concerns.

Gene & Debbie Hoyle Old San Francisco Road Sunnyvale, CA

cc: Maria
LaVerne Martin
Joe & Tina Goulart
Neil & Victoria Jain
Erik & Katie Jo Stauffer

July 3, 2018

Sunnyvale Planning Commission 456 W. Olive Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Re: File #2018-7048 669-673 Old San Francisco Road (APN: 209-17-050 and 209-17-051)
Application for Special Development Permit and Vesting Tentative Map for construction of a six-unit residential development on this site

## Dear Planning Commissioners:

As someone who was raised in Sunnyvale, attended local schools, and now is also a home owner for almost twenty years, the development that has been happening within Sunnyvale's borders is concerning. Aside from the number of hotels going in all over the city, single-family homes are being torn down to put in multi-unit residential developments. Many of these multi-unit developments, while potentially addressing some of the housing need, though usually not affordable for the general population, are certainly not in keeping with Sunnyvale's General Plan, at least according to my understanding.

The development, in particular, to which I am expressing my opposition, is the six-unit development at 669-673 Old San Francisco Road, which is before the Planning Commission on July 9, 2018, with an application for a special development permit and tentative map. As a resident of a neighboring property, I feel our properties will be directly and adversely impacted by this development as the design currently stands. The massing of the planned development is too much and the design is not compatible with the rest of the neighborhood, particularly on that side of Old San Francisco Road.

In reading the Sunnyvale General Plan, the chapter on Community Character, Policy CC-1.3 specifically refers to ensuring that new development is compatible with the character of special districts and residential neighborhoods. Given the three-story design and that six units are being squeezed onto a .34-acre site, which is in direct contrast to the spaciousness of the design of the Pebble Creek complex or the other single-story homes along that side of Old San Francisco Road, it seems this development is not complying with the General Plan requirement that new development be compatible with the rest of the residential neighborhood.

Goal CC-2 of the General Plan calls for an attractive street environment, complimenting private and public properties and being comfortable for residents and visitors. Since the other residences surrounding this planned development at 669-673 Old San Francisco Road are considerably more spacious with regard to the land surrounding the actual abodes, allowing this level of density on a much smaller piece of land seems counterintuitive to Goal CC-2. More people vying for less space means less comfort for everyone.

In fact with 3 or 4 bedrooms in each of the planned six townhomes, there would potentially be at least 3 to 4 people per unit, and each unit has 2 garages, plus the 4 guest parking spots, meaning at a minimum an additional 16 cars would be in and out of this planned development on a daily basis. Attempting to exit Ironwood Terrace onto Old San Francisco Road currently is challenging enough. Another 16+ cars attempting to do the same thing on a daily basis may make it well-nigh impossible. This on top of trying to get down either Fair Oaks Avenue or Wolfe Road during peak transit hours in order to get home, invoke an even greater traffic nightmare.

Goal CC-3 designates well-designed sites and building in order to ensure that buildings and related site improvements for private development are well designed and compatible with surrounding properties and districts. Site design, compatibility with the built environment, integration with the roadway, and building design are all an integral part of this goal. How exactly does putting multi-residential housing of this density on such a small site comply with this goal? Particularly when other residential housing on this street is not as dense or as massive? With the current design everything is being crammed onto a .34-

acre site leaving barely any space for required setbacks, the necessary guest parking crammed into the back of the lots, let alone any community space or yards.

Policy HE 2.2 of the General Plan is to provide community outreach and comprehensive neighborhood improvement programs within Sunnyvale's neighborhood enhancement areas to improve housing conditions and the overall quality of life. It seems to me, Sunnyvale's General Plan was initiated to improve the quality of life of all its residents, not simply a select few, such as the developer. The current design of this planned development in no way enhances the lives of the surrounding Sunnyvale residents. If anything, the additional traffic, noise and pollution from more cars as well as proximity to other residences, will negatively impact everyone. In fact, the limited parking available for a multi-family housing development will surely cause issues as people vie for limited parking spaces. The other outcome is that more cars will be parked on the street, or worse, try to park in the Pebble Creek complex impacting residents there even further.

Policy HE-6.1 details that efforts must continue to balance the need for additional housing with other community values, including preserving the character of established neighborhoods, high quality design, and promoting a sense of identity in each neighborhood. This seems to be a fundamental part of the Housing Chapter of the General Plan. However, from what I have seen of the plans for this development, it neither preserves the character of the current neighborhood, nor does it seem to be such a high-quality design that it adheres to the intent of the General Plan.

In addition, Policy HE-6.2 requires that neighborhood vitality be promoted by providing adequate community facilities, infrastructure, landscaping and open space, parking, and public health and safety within new and existing neighborhoods. So far, the plans looks to have the minimum required parking, no real open space, and the landscaping could use some work as well. The guest parking is so close to the lot line, the cars here will have an adverse impact on the Pebble Creek community, both from an emissions standpoint, as well as a noise-level perspective, impacting public health and safety in our community.

As part of the Land Use and Transportation Element (updated April 2017) [LUTE] of the Sunnyvale General Plan, under the Character of Change, as detailed on the Changing Conditions 2017-2035 Map, page 11, the side of Old San Francisco Road on which this development is slated to be built actually appears under the "preserve" section of Sunnyvale. The Character of Change for the "Preserve" areas is defined as an area expected to experience minimal infill and upgrades. Fundamental purpose, form and character stay the same. This part of the General Plan is in direct opposition to the planned development as it is designed today with its three stories, oversized massing, and general incompatibility with the rest of the neighborhood.

Two of the guiding principles for the LUTE as part of the Plan Structure, are "attractive design – protect the design and feel of buildings and spaces to ensure an attractive community for residents and businesses" and "neighborhood preservation – ensure that all residential areas and business districts retain the desired character and are enhanced through urban design and compatible mixes of activities (page 13). Neither one of these Plan Structure principles appears to be adhered to, nor does this planned development appear to be in keeping with the General Plan. This development is a complete anomaly within this neighborhood.

Policy 34 of the LUTE speaks to supporting neighborhood traffic calming and parking policies that protect internal residential areas from city-wide and regional traffic, consistent with engineering criteria, operating parameters, and resident preferences. With the current level of additional cars and the minimal number of guest parking spaces, how does the current design comply with the General Plan? There would be no traffic calming, if anything traffic would be worse and resident preferences, let alone concerns, are certainly not addressed with this number of planned units and accompanying garage space.

LUTE Policy 40 on page 31 is geared toward providing safe access to city streets for all modes of transportation. Since it is already challenging to exit onto Old San Francisco Road from Ironwood Terrace, and often a problem to enter Ironwood Terrace due to the entrance/exit to the apartments almost

directly across the street from the Pebble Creek entrance/exit, how will adding another entrance/exit along almost the exact same pathway, enhance anyone's safe access to city streets?

Policy 51 of the LUTE seeks to enforce design review guidelines and zoning standards that ensure the mass and scale of new structures are compatible with adjacent structures with actions requiring that the City's zoning, building, and subdivision standards are reviewed to ensure they support and contribute to the urban design principles set forth in the General Plan policies (page 35). Additionally, Policy 51 is in place to safeguard that local guidelines are enforced, ensuring that buildings respect the character, scale and context of the surrounding area, while also using the development review and permitting processes to promote high-quality architecture and site design. Again, this does not seem to be the case with the current design of this planned development.

A quality design should not require a special development permit in order to fit into a designated space and thus impacting an entire neighborhood to its detriment. The design should have been created in order to suit the needs of the planned land. Since this was not done with either of the first two iterations of the planned design, I ask that the Planning Commission consider this planned project for its size, scope, and lack of compatibility with the rest of the neighborhood of mostly single-story homes and smaller scale condominiums directly adjacent to this development, and reject the special development permit. This design is not sufficient for a sensitive use infill development, nor is there any greater community benefit being provided by the developer in exchange for his requested variances, in terms of the environment or public space.

The current plan does not meet the general development guidelines set forth by the City of Sunnyvale. The developer only wants these design variances to be accepted as he is more interested in his personal profit than the well-being of Sunnyvale residents. It is of no concern to him since he does not live in the neighborhood, or even in Sunnyvale. What's good for the developer should also be good for Sunnyvale, and by extension, its residents.

No one is arguing the need for more housing. What we need is housing that is compatible with the rest of the neighborhood, with a thoughtful design. Some suggestions in this regard are smaller units, and perhaps fewer levels, along with prioritizing neighbors' privacy, as well as noise reduction and emission relief from cars, especially from guest parking. As noted above, the General Plan deems a need to balance housing needs with preserving the character of the current neighborhood while also accounting for the quality of life impact. Please encourage the developer to continue working with the surrounding community and the Senior Planner to provide a creative plan design that addresses the need for more housing while also adhering to the intent of the General Plan, so that Sunnyvale continues to be a city with a great quality of life and enjoyment for all.

Sincerely,

Britta Puschendorf

Cc: Ryan Kuchenig

# Ryan Kuchenig

From:

David Stephenson :c

Sent:

Sunday, June 17, 2018 7:16 PM

To:

Ryan Kuchenig

Subject:

Public Hearing on 669 & 673 Old San Francisco Rd.

I am writing to challenge the issuing of a special development permit.

The region is designated for low density single family dwellings. The development of three-story six-unit townhouse development will negatively affect the surroundings in several ways.

- \* it will adversely affect the value of the single family homes in the vicinity.
- \* it will affect the degree of traffic in the area which is already approaching gridlock.
- \* the increased population will place additional demands on the already strained infrastructure.

At some point we need to stop adding in people and let industry move to other locations. Better to stop the addition of housing and industry now, rather than when its too late. The ambiance and environment that people came here for is disappearing.

Sincerely,

David Stephenson

June 27, 2018

Sunnyvale Planning Commission 456 W. Olive Avenue Sunnyvale, CA 94086

Regular Planning Commission Meeting: Monday, July 9th, 7:00 pm

Re: File # 2018-7048 669 - 673 Old San Francisco Road (APNs: 209-17-050 & 051)

Application for Special Development Permit and Vesting Tentative Map to construct a six-unit residential development on the site

Dear Planning Commissioners,

I am writing to express my opposition to the application for development at 669-673 Old San Francisco Road, and in particular the special development permit. I am a neighbor of the development who will be directly and negatively impacted by the applicant's special request for exemptions from applicable city requirements. At the time of this writing, I am unable to review the project data table, except for Attachment A, which was provided to me by Ryan Kuchenig, Senior Planner, as part of the initial submittal of the applicant. Per Ryan, a staff report will not be completed until Friday July 6, 2018. The Planning Commission hearing is July 9, 2018. In order to have my comments included in the packet distributed to the Planning Commission, the deadline is Tuesday July 3<sup>rd</sup>, with July 4<sup>th</sup> being a holiday.

As currently designed, the proposed development continues to maximize unit size and amenities at the sacrifice of thoughtful design that meets Sunnyvale standards. The inclusion of so many bedrooms and parking spots in each unit results in little room remaining on the .34 acre-site for setbacks, yards, or the four guest parking spaces required under the municipal code. In an effort to cram all of these elements onto the two lots, one building is moved to within the required front setback, and four guest parking spaces are squeezed within the rear setback along the property line shared with my neighbors (Attachment A).

My email with comments on the development to Ryan as of June 15, 2018 is attached as <a href="Attachment B">Attachment B</a>. That email enumerates my additional concerns after meeting with Ryan and the City Arborist to discuss the plans on May 22, 2018. All comments regarding the development were filtered through Ryan due to the fact that the owner, G. Nejat, repeatedly showed the community disregard for and a lack of understanding of their concerns at both the community meeting on March 29, 2018 as well as the study session on May 14, 2018. Because of Ryan's involvement, most of my requests have been met with the exception of:

(1) Parking. Parking remains too close to the living room and bedroom areas of four condominiums (particularly units 5, 6, 11 and 12) on the north side of the proposed development at 578 Ironwood Terrace. Guest parking at the rear of the proposed development would be less than 20' from residents there, subjecting them to increased daily exposure to carbon emissions, particulate matter and noise pollution from a total of 16 vehicles coming and going from the site.

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(2) Massing. In accordance with goals of the General Plan, particularly, Goals LT-4.1c and LT-3.4b (bold and italics added below), decreased massing is needed on the third floor to allow for compatibility within the established neighborhood, and to minimize shading and privacy impacts on the adjacent property at 578 Ironwood Terrace in particular.

#### GOALLT-4

#### QUALITY NEIGHBORHOOD S AND DISTRICTS

Preserve and enhance the quality character of Sunnyvale's industrial, commercial and residential neighborhoods by promoting land use patterns and related transportation opportunities that are supportive of the neighborhood concept. (p. 3-13)

LT - 4.1 Protect the integrity of the City's neighborhoods; whether residential, industrial or commercial. (p. 3-13)

LT-4.1a Limit the intrusion of incompatible uses and inappropriate development into city neighborhoods. (p. 3-13)

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LT-4.1d Anticipate and avoid whenever practical the incompatibility that can arise between dissimilar uses. (p. 3-13)

and

LT-3.4b Locate lower-density housing in proximity to existing lower density housing. (p. 3-13)

Source: www.Generalplaninsunnyvale.com (consolidated 2011) City of Sunnyvale general Plan – July 2011

Sensitive uses include infill developments. This proposed infill development is adjacent to condominiums built in 1983 and a 1-story single family home built in 1970. As designed, the proposed development has the greatest massing of any residence on the north side of Old San Francisco Road between Ironwood Terrace and Gail Avenue, rendering it incompatible in size, scale and scope with adjacent properties. Rather than rewarding a developer with special treatment for the inadequate design of a sensitive use (infill) development, it is my hope that the Planning Commission carefully evaluates the requests for a special development permit and tentative map, and encourages the developer to further work with the Senior Planner and community to submit a well-designed project that either provides community benefit, or does not seek variances and is compatible with adjacent residences on the north side of Old San Francisco Road.

## Special Development Permit

The applicant for this development has requested a special development permit because the development cannot meet the generally applicable rules for development in Sunnyvale. Essentially, the applicant is using the special development permit to request variances from those applicable requirements without providing any offsetting community benefits. The applicant claims it needs these variances, but in fact only desires them to accommodate an overly massive and incompatible project on the north side of Old San Francisco Road between Gail Avenue and Ironwood Terrace. A sensitive use design that would make better planning sense would be to further decrease the massing of the planned development, particularly on the third floor.

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Sunnyvale Municipal Code Section 19.26.020 states that the purpose of a planned development district is to "achieve superior community design, environmental preservation and public benefit." The proposed development will not achieve these goals. To the contrary, the overly crammed design will increase the likelihood of general conflict, for example, as guests and residents attempt to park their vehicles in the four guest parking spaces at the end of the driveway. The noise and fumes from these conflicts will be located right outside the living areas of residents of 578 Ironwood Terrace, replacing what used to be the backyards of two single-family homes.

Here, the proposed development seeks a special development permit, but fails to contribute to the neighborhood in terms of public space, environmental protection or superior materials <u>and</u> design (not superior materials <u>or</u> design); at least one of which is required for a special development permit. Unless this applicant commits to design changes that more respectfully consider the negative community impacts (increased car trips resulting in increased particulate matter, noise pollution and traffic, for example) or directly provides community benefits in tandem with the requested variances, a special development permit for this development should not be granted. Special development permits are provided to projects that improve neighborhoods through creative development, not to projects that prioritize profits over safe and thoughtful parking conditions and setbacks.

#### Conclusion

It is important to balance property rights and development opportunities with quality of life impacts and concerns of existing residents. I respectfully request that the Planning Commission deny this application, and in particular deny the special development permit application. If the special development permit is granted without any correlating community benefit, and deviations are allowed, good faith measures must be taken to protect adjacent neighbors, such as:

- Further decreasing the size of the units at the back (north) end of the lot, especially the third floors, to reduce shading and privacy impacts to neighboring residences.
- Decreasing the size of other units to more appropriately accommodate guest parking and setback requirements.
- Including a carport or some variation of a carport or privacy screen to block the path of the noise and reduce visible impacts from guest parking spaces.
- Relocating the guest parking outside of the rear setback.

Sincerely,

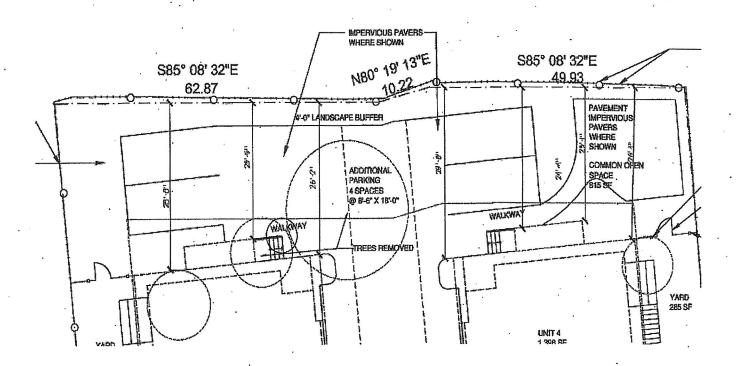
Maria Hamilton Sunnyvale, CA

cc: R. Kuchenig City Clerk Attachment A

# Attachment A

# Condominiums





Living areas indicated by //////.

Attachment B

From: Hamilton, Maria

Sent: Friday, June 15, 2018 5:17 PM

To: 'Ryan Kuchenig'

Subject: 2018-7048 Conditions of Approval (Pending Issues)

Ryan,

When you are able, please email me a detail of the shade analysis based on the now revised decreased massing of the third (top) floor of the proposed development with regard to its impact on 578 Ironwood Terrace, to the north of the proposed development.

Pending issues since our meeting on May [22<sup>nd</sup>] include the following.

#### 1. Parking

A design where uncovered parking is placed feet from a fence that borders property underneath multiple bedroom and living areas does not reflect high quality design, and impacts adjacent residents' quality of life both audibly and visually. There are multi-family dwellings with carports in Sunnyvale that cover two cars but have a support structure in the middle. In these cases, poles or beams support the center of the structure, not at the corners which produces a box-like effect. The actual implementation of design in Sunnyvale seems to put more emphasis on the streetscape aesthetic than the quality of life of the adjacent residents, despite the Design Principles (below). This also violates the General Plan. "The City Council considers these four components – jobs, housing, transportation, quality of life – as inseparable when seeking solutions" (Council Policy Manual, Policy 1.1.5, page 1).

Four uncovered parking spaces just feet away from the living areas of neighboring residents will contribute to a decrease in air quality due to carbon emissions and particulate matter from vehicles. It will also affect residents' quality of life and adversely affect the quiet enjoyment of their own homes due to the noise of 16 cars coming and going from the proposed development only feet from the living areas of the majority of condominiums located at 578 Ironwood Terrace. A decrease in the amount of guest parking, relocation of guest parking, or a special development permit to allow for covered parking with a carport or something similar is needed. Please refer to the design of 585 Old San Francisco Road for an example of a parking design which mitigated the problem of parking adjacent to a neighboring multi-family residence.

The following Design Principles have not been adhered to because of the massing, architectural design and compatibility within the immediate neighborhood and streetscape of the proposed project. These principles should be respected in all residential projects. They are the touchstones upon which the City's design techniques are based, and, since design guidelines cannot anticipate every condition that might occur, they must be used in addressing conditions not specifically covered within the design guideline documents.

•	2.2.1	REINFORCE PREVAILING NEIGHBORHOOD HOME ORIENTATION AND ENTRY PATTERNS	No
•	2.2.2	RESPECT THE SCALE, BULK AND CHARACTER OF HOMES IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD	No
•	2.2.3	DESIGN HOMES TO RESPECT THEIR IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORS	No
•	2.2.4	MINIMIZE THE VISUAL IMPACTS OF PARKING	No
•	2.2.5	RESPECT THE PREDOMINANT MATERIALS AND CHARACTER OF FRONT YARD LANDSCAPING	No
•	2.2.6	USE HIGH QUALITY MATERIALS AND CRAFTSMANSHIP	No
•	2.2.7	PRESERVE MATURE LANDSCAPING	No

## 2. Landscaping

With only a 1-foot below-grade level parking area adjacent to ten of the 12 condominiums located at 578 Ironwood Terrace, additional small bushes need to be planted at the end of the driveway between the Crape Myrtle trees. These bushes will serve as a buffer in order to help absorb particulate matter and noise from the four vehicles that will be parked in the uncovered guest parking area next to the fence adjacent to 578 Ironwood Terrace if the development moves forward.

## 3. Smoking Area

Common areas at the end of the driveway and adjacent to condominiums located at 578 Ironwood Terrace (#s 2–6 and #8–12) may encourage a smoking area. Smoking areas on multi-family properties, as of September 23, 2016, violate Sunnyvale's Ordinance No. 3072-16, even if they are designated smoking area. Why? The ordinance will be violated if any neighboring residence is affected by any smoking area. No area exists on the property where a person smoking would be farther than 20' from the proposed development or the adjacent condominiums located at 558 Ironwood Terrace or 578 Ironwood Terrace. Therefore, any smoking on the premises will violate Sunnyvale Ordinance No. 3072-16.

#### 4. Construction Hours

It is requested that due to the residential location of the proposed development and its proximity to other residential properties, including a day care facility (Little Sheep Daycare at 721 Old San Francisco Road), that construction hours be limited to begin at 8am Monday—Friday and at 9am Saturday. The quality of life in Sunnyvale [can] be improved by shortened construction hours. Palo Alto, San Carlos, Campbell, and San Francisco both regularly mandate construction hours begin at 8am M-F and 9am on Saturdays. Redwood City's noise ordinance (section 24.30) prohibits construction noise between the hours of 8:00 PM to 7:00 AM weekdays, or at any time on Saturdays, Sundays, or holidays.

Thank you,

Maria Hamilton