# early design guidance

# RAINIER BEACH TOWNHOUSES

9031 Valdez Ave. S Seattle, WA 98118 project # 3007584

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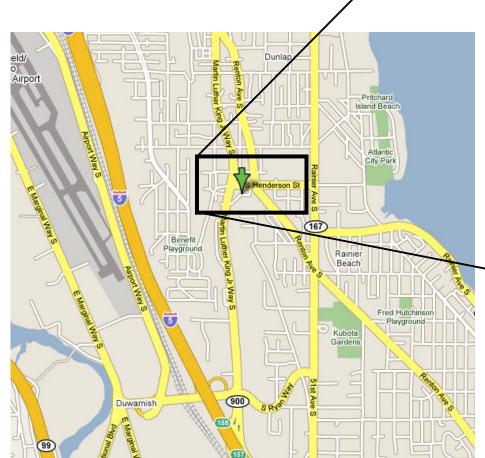
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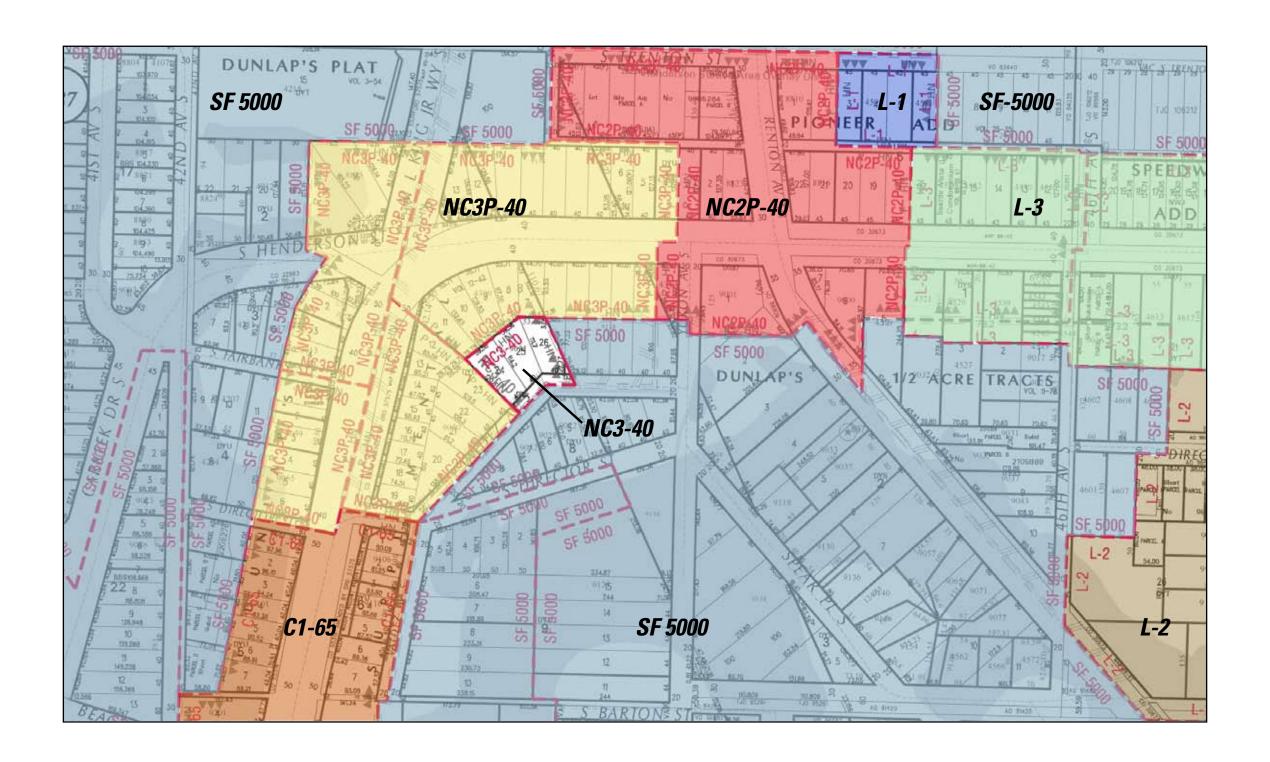
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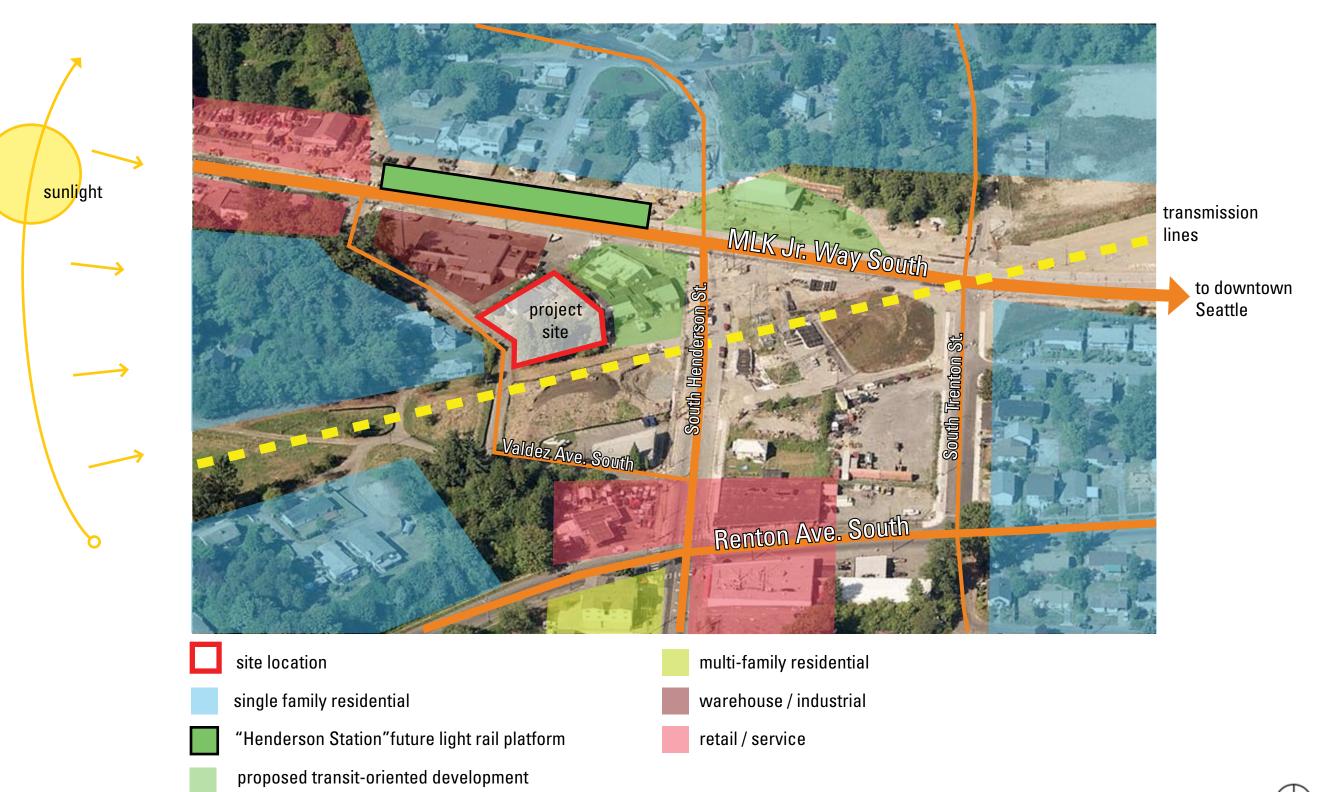












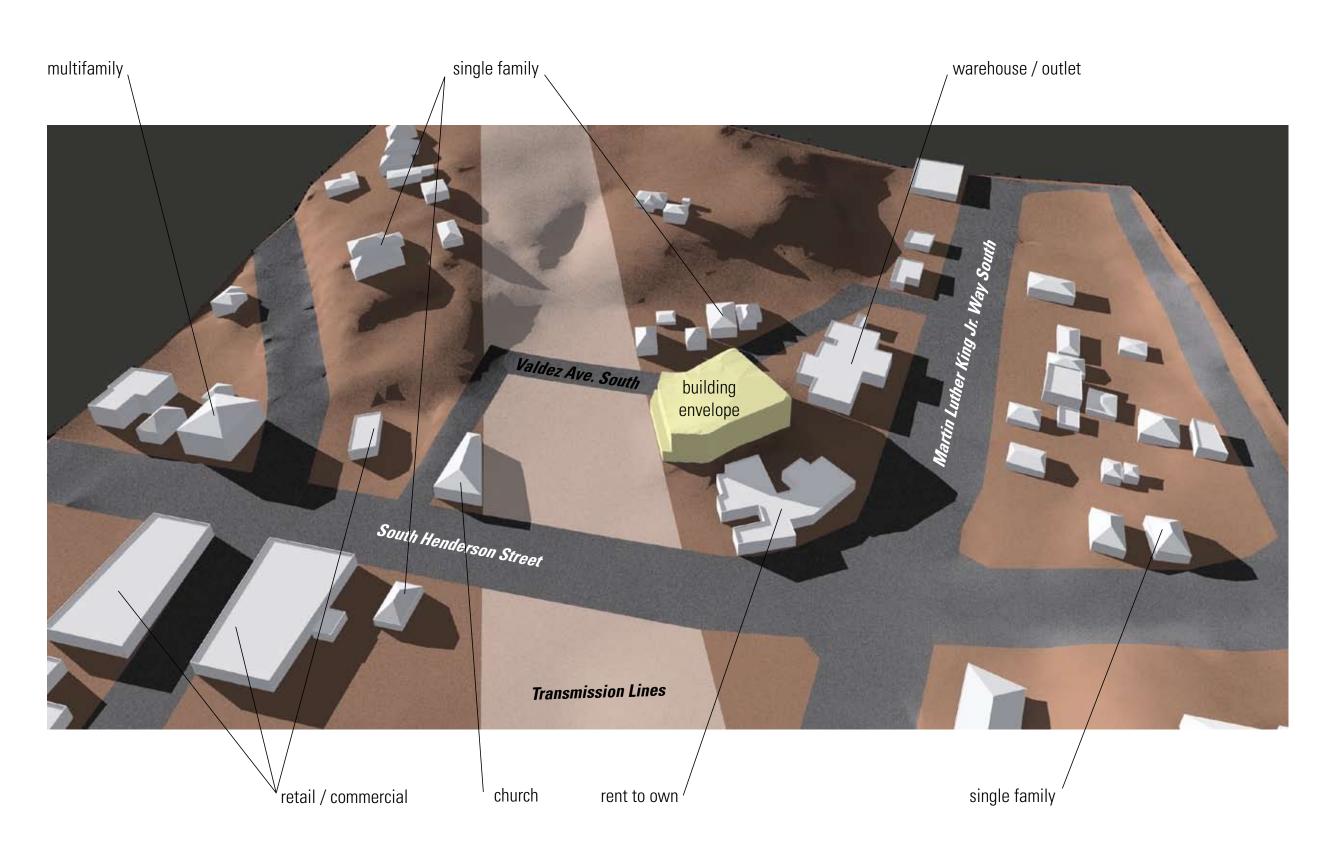




existing single-family home (to be demolished) project site

Existing Site Conditions





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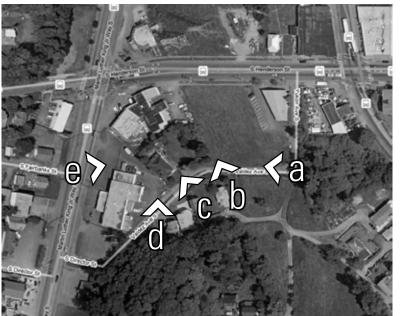


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### A. Site Planning

## A-2 Streetscape Compatibility

- Buildings are slightly set back from property line to provide privacy, but maintain a distinct edge to the public "room" of the street.
- Porches, stoops and landscaping reinforce residential character.
- Single purpose residential addresses streetscape

#### A-3 Entrances Visible from the Street

- Porches will line Valdez, making project more approachable to adjacent SF zone.
- Clear paths using building and landscape elements -- majority of entrances off of central garden.

#### A-4 Human Activity

- Entrances and porches provide places for neighborly interaction.
- Windows facing Valdez will provide "eyes on the street" to increase sense of security.

#### A-6 Transition Between Residence and Street

- Buildings set back from the sidewalk include features which allow privacy, yet encourage visual interaction with the street.
- Residential windows above pedestrian eye level provide privacy to residents.

#### A-7 Residential Open Space

- Central courtyard organizes architectural elements, while providing common space for residents.
- Play space for children.
- Opportunity for some units to have individual gardens.
- Priority placed on people; cars are secondary.

#### A-8 Parking and Vehicle Access

- Parking located internal to the lot.
- Number and width of driveways and curb cuts are minimized.
- Driveway located to reduce visual impact.







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#### 3-1 Height, Bulk and Scale

- Individual units will be articulated.
- A cohesive palette of materials and colors will visually reduce bulk.
- Facade modulation by way of balconies, setbacks and porches will help reduce bulk from Valdez.
- Materials with texture will help define a pedestrian scale.



#### C. Architectural Elements and Materials

#### C-1 Architectural Context

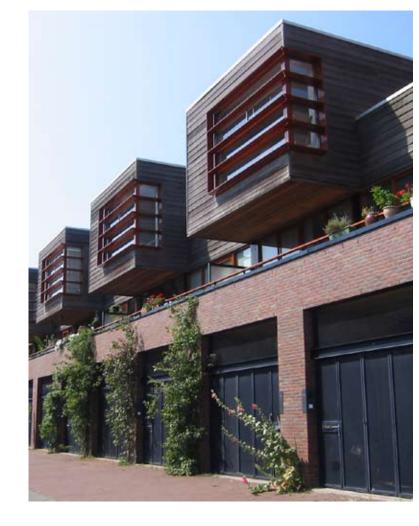
- Facade modulation.
- Repetition of window patterns at intervals equal to the articulation interval.
- Provision of porch, patio, deck or covered entry for each interval.



- Pedestrian-oriented open space provided by landscaped areas
- •Individual windows in upper stories are thoughtfully sized and proportioned.
- A porch or covered entry.

#### C-4 Exterior Finish Material

- Materials with texture and/or pattern help lend human scale.
- Durable materials at street level.



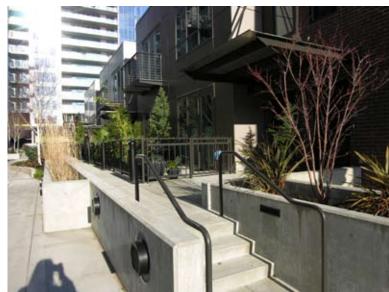


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#### D. Pedestrian Environment

#### Pedestrian Environment

- Visible signage identifying building addresses.
- Entries along street accented by stairs and porches.

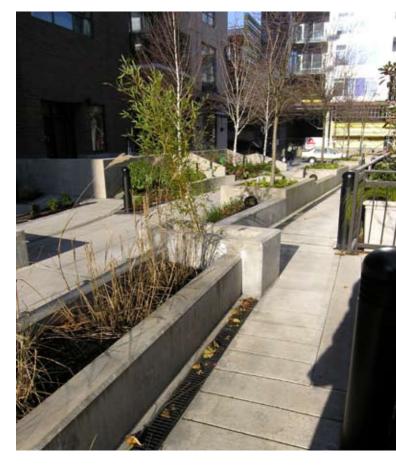
#### Design of Parking Lots Near Sidewalks

- A variety of screening devices, including fence and plantings.
- •Lighting to provide security but reduce glare and light pollution.

#### E. Landscaping

### Landscaping to Enhance the Building and/or Site

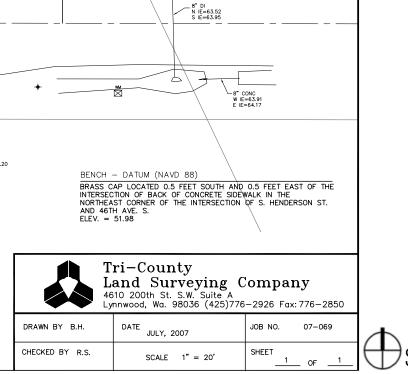
- Emphasize entries with special plantings.
- Provide landscaping on vertical and horizontal surfaces.
- Distinctive landscape and hardscape to denote entrance to central garden.
- Celebrate and manage stormwater through rain gardens and bioswales.

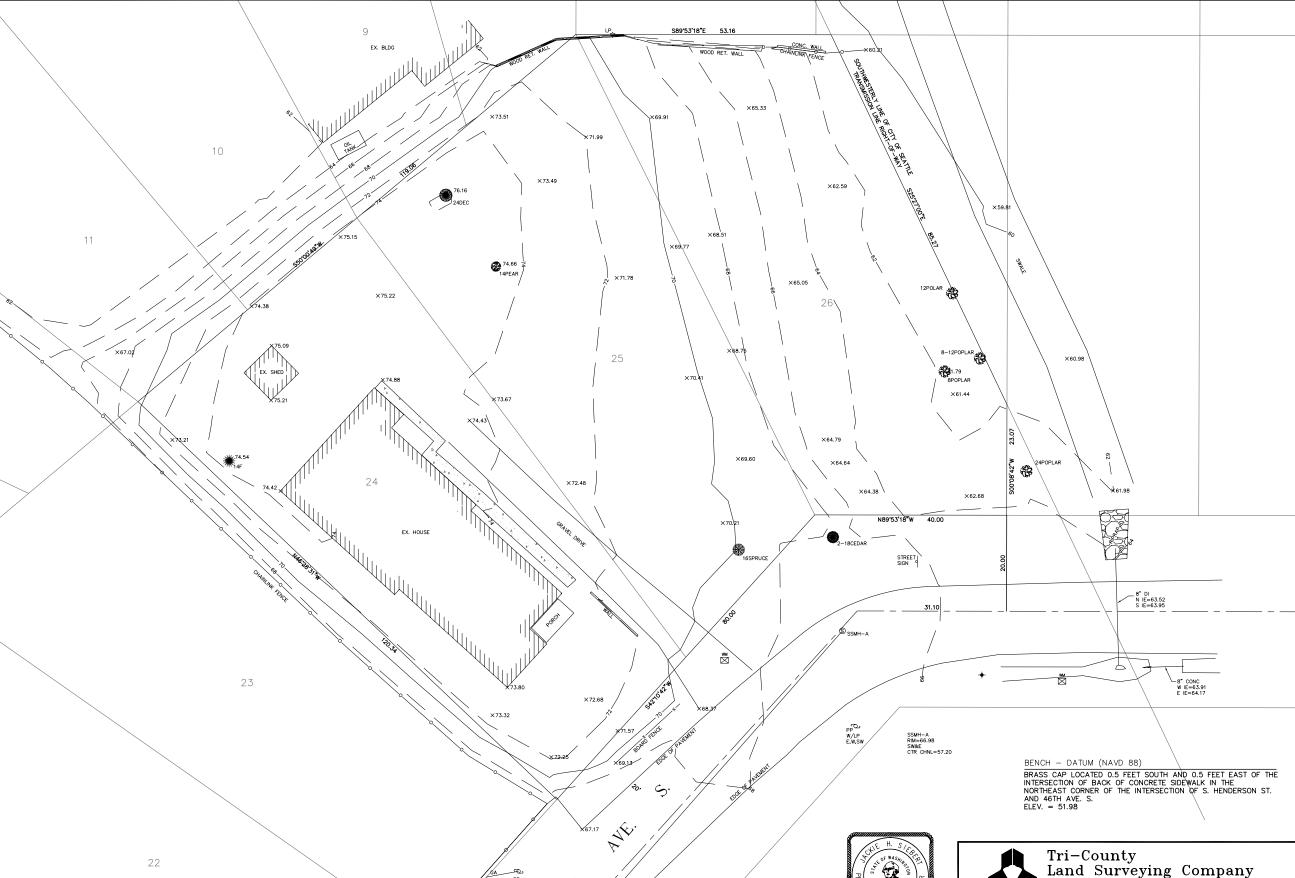




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**Owner** Steve Fast

7719 Seward Park Ave. S.

Seattle, WA 98118

Legal Description Lots 24, 25, 26; Block 7

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Assessor Parcel No. 2124700420

16.820 SF Lot Area

#### **Development Objectives**

Demolish existing single family residence and construct 21 new townhouse units surrounding a central courtyard. Provide parking per plans.

#### **Land Use Summary**

Zoning Description

NC3-40. Neighborhood Commercial

Per zoning map 188

Urban Village Overlay

Rainier Beach, Henderson Light Rail Station Overlay

Front Facade Modulation

23.47A.008

Blank segments of street-facing façade between 2-8 ft above sidewalk not to exceed 20' width. Total of all blank façade segments < 40' along st.

Street Level Development

SMC 23 47A 008 A2

The total of all blank facade segments may not exceed forty (40) percent of the width of the facade of the structure along the street.

SMC 23.47A.008.D

1 street facing façade w/ residential. Standard use must have visually prominent pedestrian entry and the first floor must be 4' above sidewalk grade or setback 10' from sidewalk.

Street Level Uses

23.47A.008.D1

Residential uses allowed anywhere in structure.

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SMC 23.47A.012.A

40' --plus 4' if res. use is at street level w/ street-facing façade & 1st flr of structure is at least 4' above sidewalk & additional height won't allow an additional story PROVIDED no view blockage.

Pitched Roofs

23.47A.012

5' above 40' limit with min. 3:12 pitch (except shed & butterfly roofs).

Sloped Lots

SMC 23.47A.012.B

On sloped lots, additional height is permitted along the lower elevation of the structure footprint, at the rate of 1' for each percent of slope, to a maximum additional height of 5'.

Floor Area Ratio

SMC 23.47A.013 Chart B

67,280 total sf allowed (includes above grade parking) total lot sf x 4



Setbacks

SMC 23.47A.014.b2.a

Adi. to SF5000 lot to east: 10' side setback abutting residential lot for portions of structures above 13';

SMC 223.47A.014.B3.a

Adj. to NC3P-40 zone to the north and west: setback to be 15' above 13' in height. No dumpster w/in 10' of res. zone Decks may extend into setback no more than 5' from residential zone, Front: street-facing facades must be located within 10' of street lot

Landscape/Screening

SMC 23.47A.016.A

0.3 or more green area factor required for more than 4 dwelling units and/or new pkg w/ more than 20 parking spaces Open Space (Residential Amenity Area includes decks, balconies etc. (must not be enclosed); Must be at least 5% of gross floor area in residential use; Each resident must have access to at least one. Common recreational areas: min. horizontal dim. = 10' w/overall area = >250sf. Private balconies & decks = 60sf w/min. dim = 6' horizontal dim.

Residential amenity areas

SMC 23.47a.024

Residential amenity areas are required in an amount equal to 5% of the total gross floor area in residential use

Bicycle Parking SMC 23.54.015 chart E 1 Space per 4 units

Required Parking

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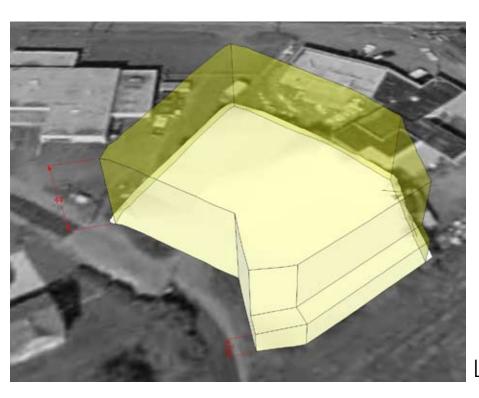
No parking for motor vehicles is required for uses in commercial zones in urban centers and in the Station Area Overlay District.

Curb Cuts

23.54.030F

81-160 ft of street frontage permits (2) curb cuts.

We are requesting a departure from the required 10' setback along the eastern property edge (facing SF 5000, transmission lines.)



Maximum Zoning Envelope/ Land Use Summary

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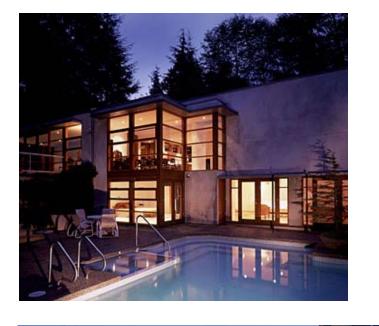
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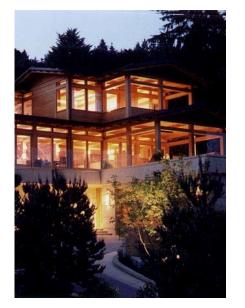
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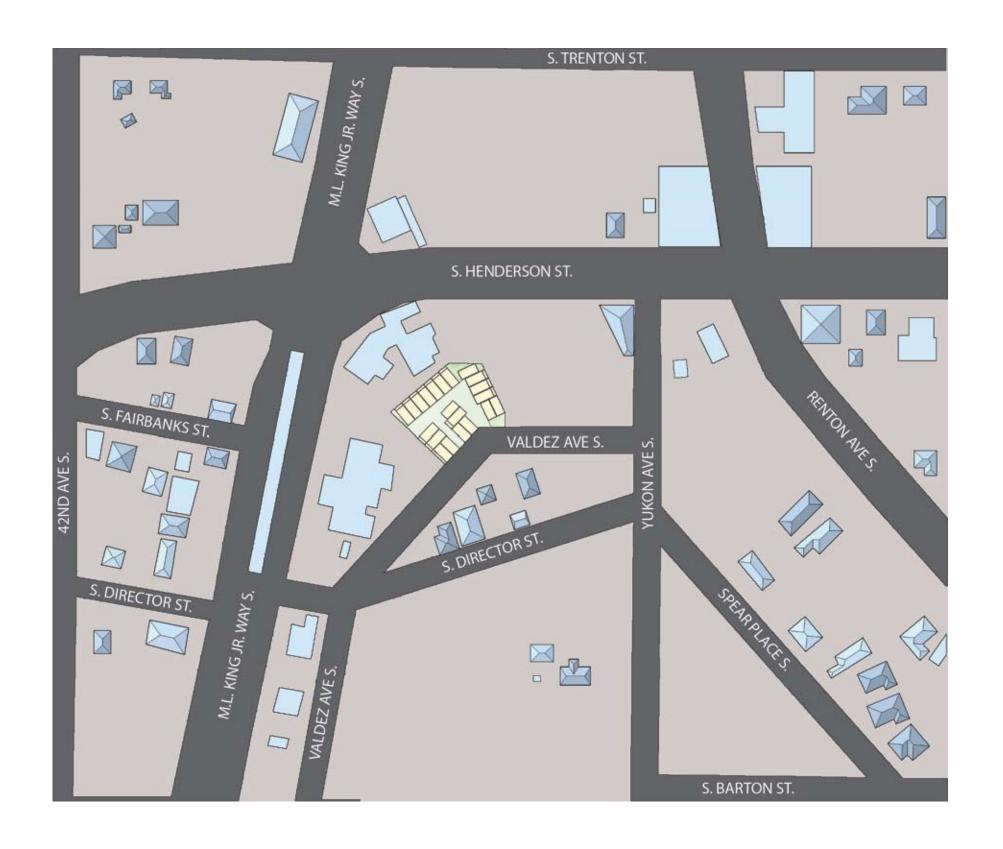


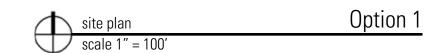


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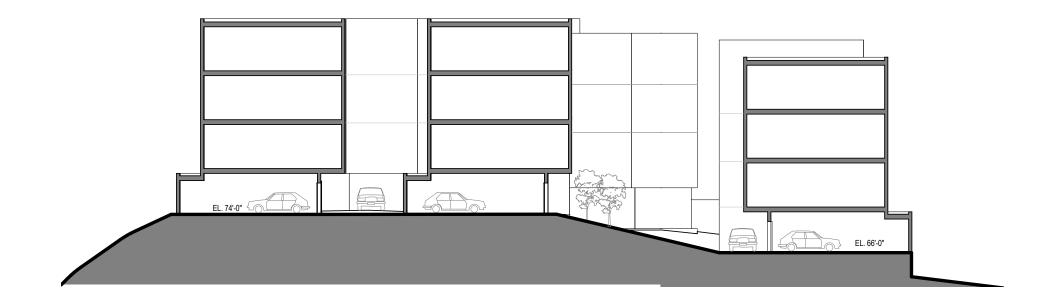




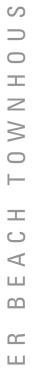








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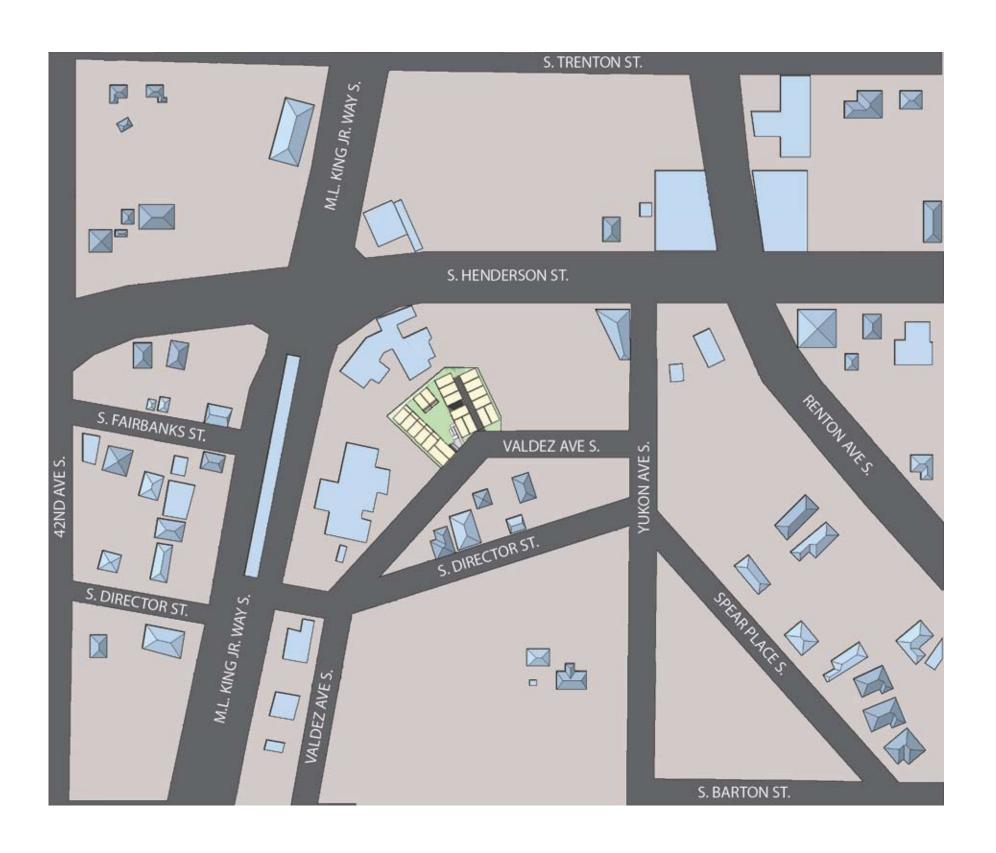










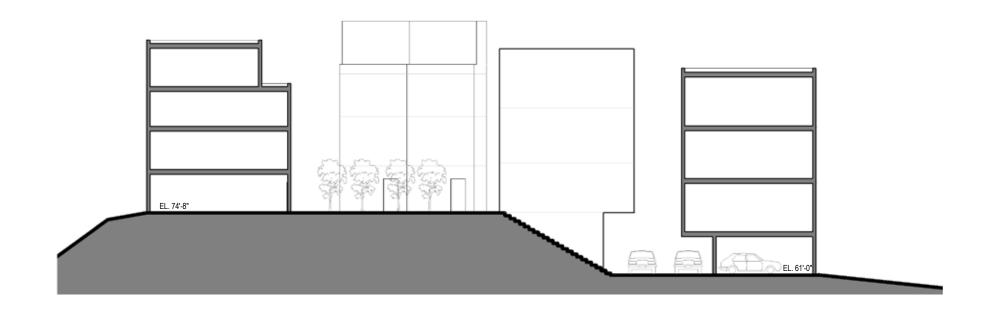


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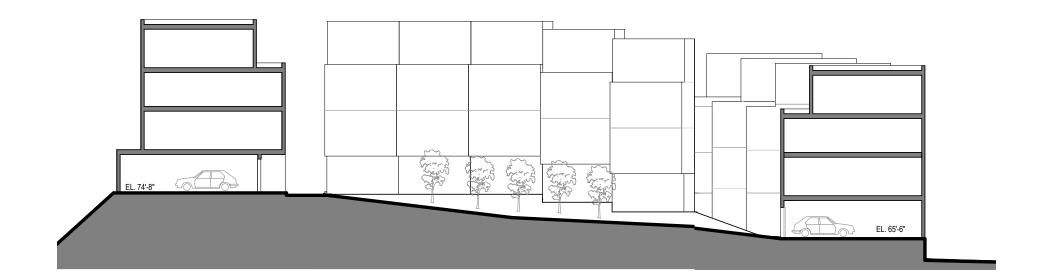
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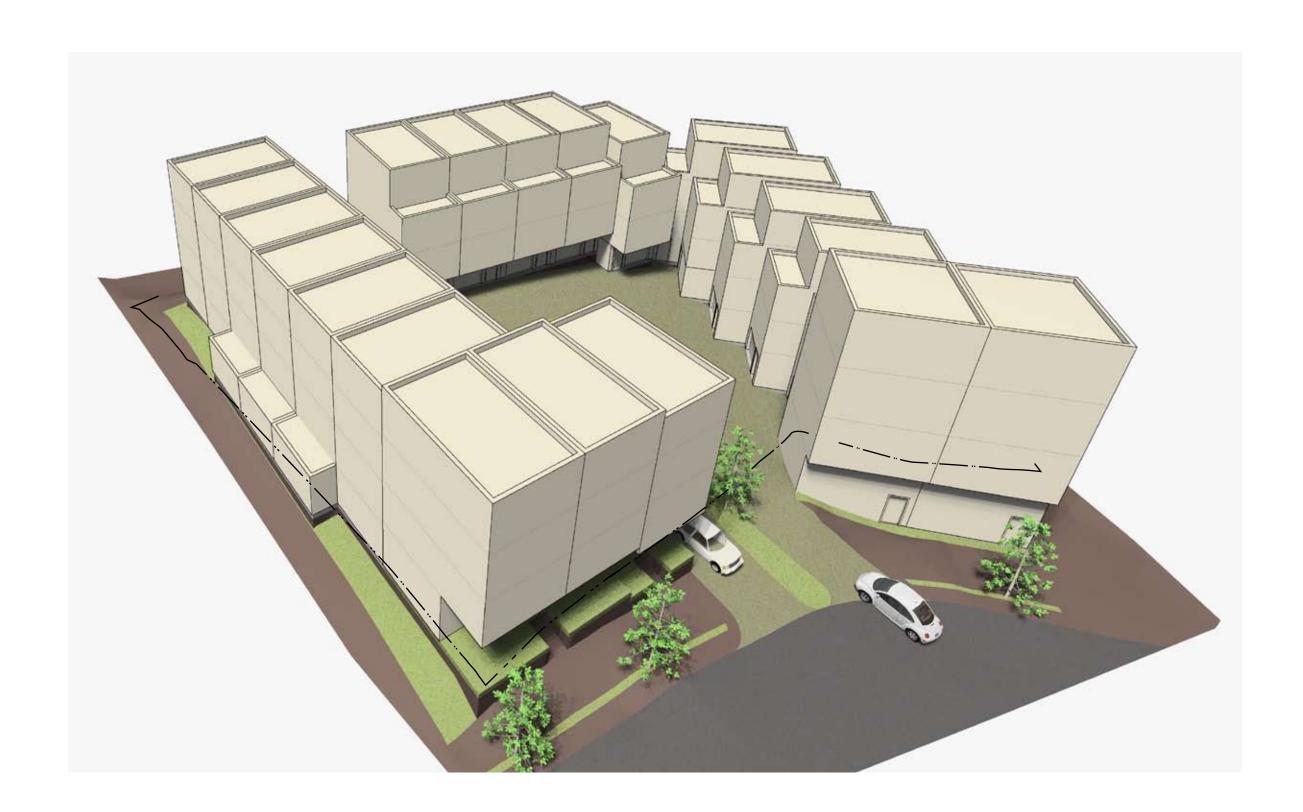
















street level view Option 3 not to scale