











717 THIRD AVE NORTH

January 16, 2013

#### **KEY DESIGN GUIDELINES**

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The Board also requested a study of more developed response to street and would like to see more transparency at the street.

### A-2 - Streetscape Compatibility

The project should create a consistent building edge abutting the sidewalk. To the north the building edge is buffered with landscaping, while to the south the building has been constructed right to the edge of the sidewalk. This development will strive to create a buffer of landscape while maintaining the presence of the building at the sidewalk.

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

The project should be compatible with the adjacent buildings. The existing apartment buildings in the neighborhood are a range of 3 to 5 story buildings. Based on zoning requirements, our building will be shorter than the neighboring buildings, and we feel it's important for the proposed project to hold it's own on the street front.

### C-1 - Architectural Context

The surrounding area has many small apartment buildings that are simple forms with intricate detailing. The existing buildings do not contain a lot of modulation, but rather their interest comes from the detailing of the exterior materials. We hope to have a simple well detailed building rather than one that contains artificial articulation.

### C-2 - Architectural Concept and Consistency

The project aims to achieve a consistency in design throughout the building. Some features that we hope will reinforce the concept include emphasize on the building entry, detailed railings and an articulated roof line.

#### C-4 - Exterior Finish Materials

Exterior finish materials will be cementious siding of a variety of patterns.

### C-5 - Structured Parking Entrances

We hope to conceal and minimize the parking entrance by allowing the entrance to be detailed as part of the entire façade. For this reason we hope to obtain a departure to reduce the required setback from the property line. We plan to enhance the pedestrian entrance to minimize the vehicle entrance.

#### D-1 Pedestrian Environment

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E-2 Landscaping to Enhance the Building and/or Site.

Landscaping, including living plant material, special pavements, trellises, screen walls, planters, site furniture and similar features are incorporated into the design to enhance the project.

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### LLEWELLYN PLACE APARTMENTS RECOMMENDATION MEETING

**PROGRAM GOALS** 

### **PROJECT TEAM**

### Owner: Lewellyn Place 717 LLC

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### PROJECT INFORMATION

The site is located on the edge of the Uptown Neighborhood in Lower Queen Anne. The project is only a few blocks from Seattle Center. There is an existing building that currently has 8 units. The property is zoned LR3. The property to the south is zoned NC2-40 and contains a five story mixed use building. The property to the north has a four story apartment building.

The Llewellyn Place Apartments will be completely residential. The existing 8 unit building will be demolished to construct the 20 unit Built Green apartment building. The building will be between 30' and 34' high with three stories of housing and one level of below grade parking for 11 cars and will include bicycle parking. Trash and recycle will be located in the parking garage.

### **DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVES**

- Create a Built Green 4 star apartment building.
- Create intimate open spaces that are activated by the circulation areas
- Provide privacy and screening for residents
- Provide natural ventilation and day lighting opportunities for residents.
- Save as many existing trees as possible.

### LR3 FOR APARMENTS located OUTSIDE GROWTH AREAS

### Floor Area Ratio (FAR)

1.3 or 1.5 (The higher FAR and density limits apply if the project meets additional standards regarding parking location and access, alley paving, and green building performance (SMC 23.45. 510.C).

### **Building Height**

30' +5' for roof with min. 6:12 pitch; or +4' for partially below-grade floor; 30' limit if within 50' of a single family zone.

#### **Density Limit**

1 unit /800 SF lot area or No Limit (The higher FAR and density limits apply if the project meets additional standards regarding parking location and access, alley paving, and green building performance (SMC 23.45.510.C).

### **Building Setbacks**

Front: 5' minimum 15' minimum no Allev

Side: 5' if building is 40' or less in length, or 7' Average 5' min.

### **Building Width Limit**

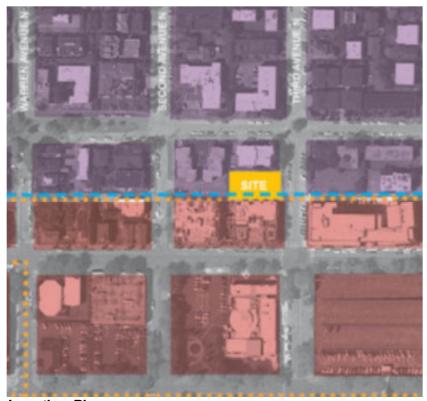
120' Outside growth areas

#### Max. Facade Length

Applies to all: 65% of lot depth for portions within 15' of a side lot line that is not a street or alley lot line



Existing two story apartment building



**Location Plan** 

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### **Neighborhood Context**

Uptown is a very lively neighborhood that encompasses Seattle Center which hosts some of the cities best known landmarks including, The Space Needle, Key Arena, and The EMP. A diverse mix of activities occur throughtout the neighborhood, and a varietly of services are provided for the residents. Lower Queen Anne is home to over 100 restaurants and bars as well as a wide array of shopping oportunities that provide something for everyone. Seattle Center is the City's backyard and just blocks from the proposed development.

### **Residential Context**

The neighborhood consists of many historic apartment buildings that are simple brick structures constructed at the beginning of the last century. The apartment buildings are small in nature when compared to newer apartment complexs. The massing of the structures are simple using quality materials and attention to detail. In addition to the many brick buildings around the neighborhood, there are a number of buildings the use exterior corridors, and this is especially true near Seattle Center. Many of the buildings incorporate intimate courtyards for the residents and landscaping along the sidewalk.



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**PUBS** 



**EXTERIOR CIRCULATION BALCONIES** 



**INTIMATE COURTYARDS** 

**NEIGHBORHOOD CONTEXT** 

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LANDSCAPING BETWEEN SIDEWALK AND BUILDINGS



**ENTRY EMPHASIS** 



SIMPLE WELL DETAILED BUILDINGS



RECESSED ENTRY WITH FACADE DETAILS ABOVE ENTRY

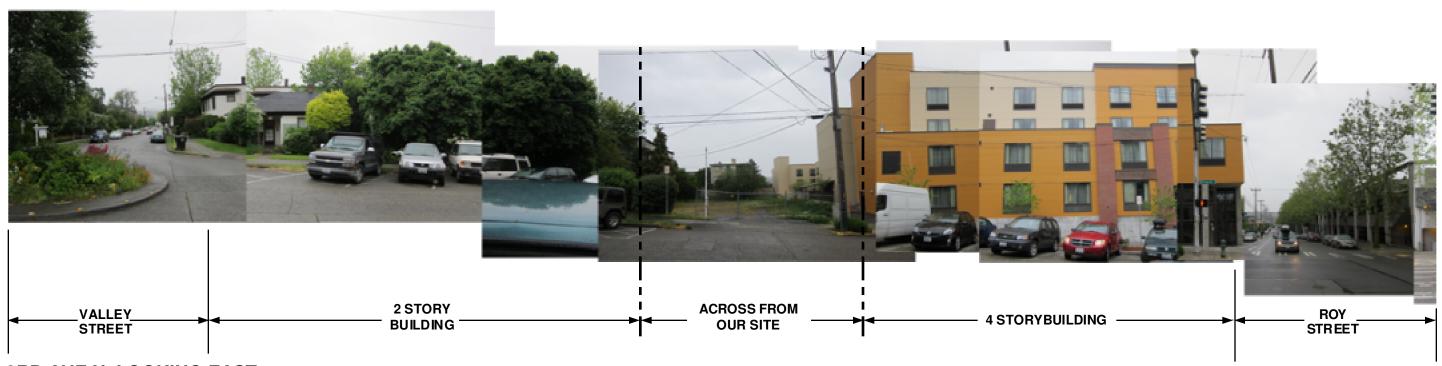
**NEIGHBORHOOD INSPIRATION** 

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### **3RD AVE N. LOOKING WEST**



**3RD AVE N. LOOKING EAST** 

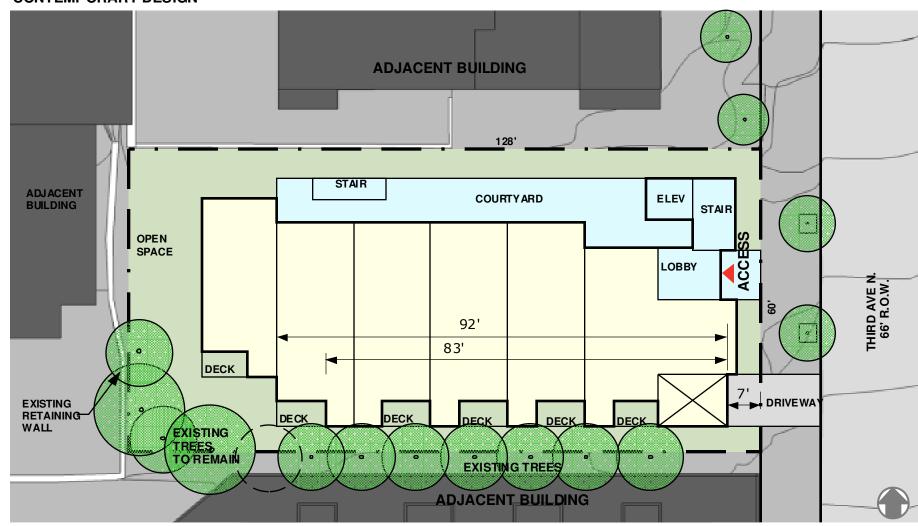


## LLEWELLYN PLACE APARTMENTS RECOMMENDATION MEETING

**NEIGHBORHOOD PHOTOS** 

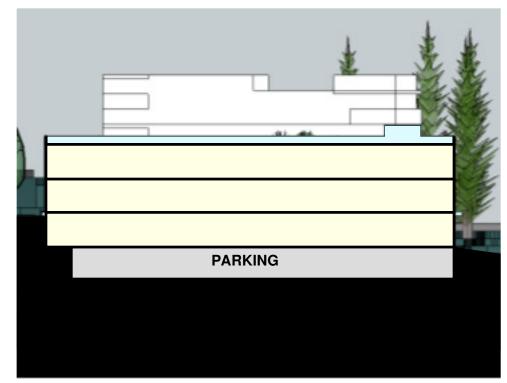


### **CONTEMPORARY DESIGN**





**VIEW FROM THE SOUTH** 



**SECTION** 

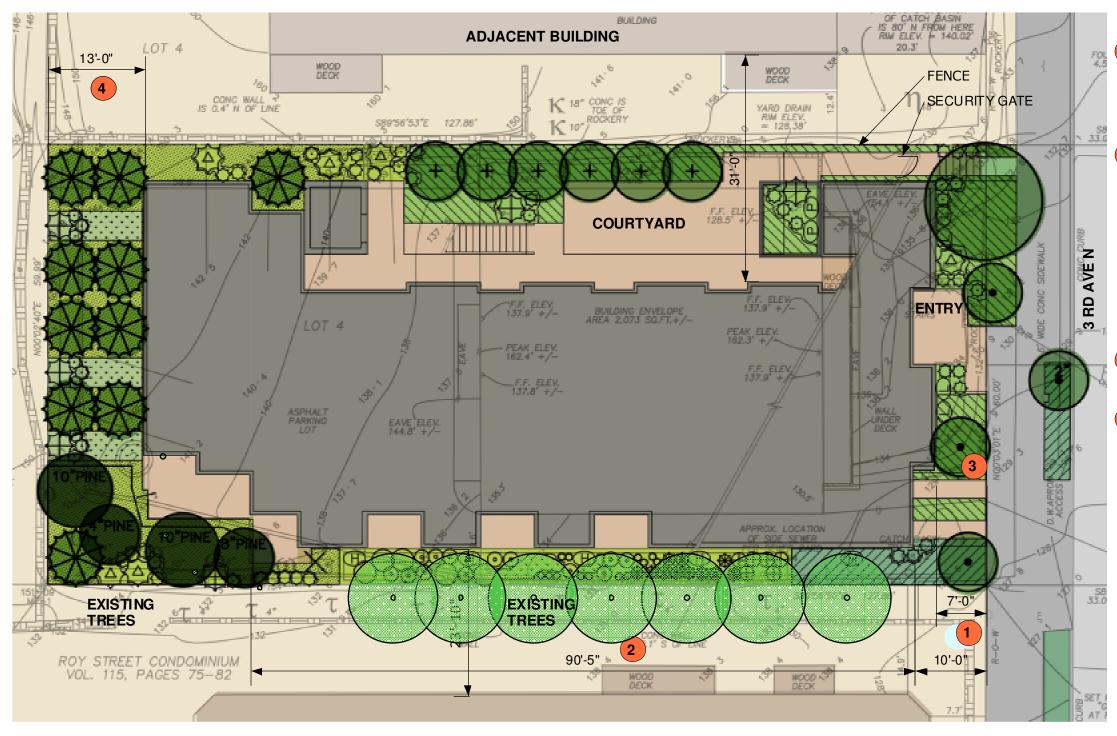
### **FLOOR PLAN**



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**EDG PREFERRED SCHEME** 



### **DEPARTURE MATRIX**

This option would also require a departure for the location of garage door. For Option B, we propose recessing the garage door 7' rather than the code required 15'. This allows the door to align with the structure above and eliminates a hole in the façade. The single garage door would be complimentary to the entire façade.

Building Depth. A departure would be required because of the need for the units to be standardized in the prefab option. There will be modulation on the façade as each unit will have an exterior deck with a total setback of 10' from the property line.

Code: 83'-0" depth with a 5' setback 65% of the Lot or 83'-0"

Requested Departure:

Building Depth 90'-6" Average Setback 8'-0" Percent of Lot 72%

- Reduce the required site triangle on the uphill side of the driveway from 10' to 8'. This allows for the modulation at the front of the building.
- Reduce the rear yard setback by 2' to allow for a larger setback at the front. This was a departure that the board recommended at the EDG meeting.

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SITE PLAN & DEPARTURES

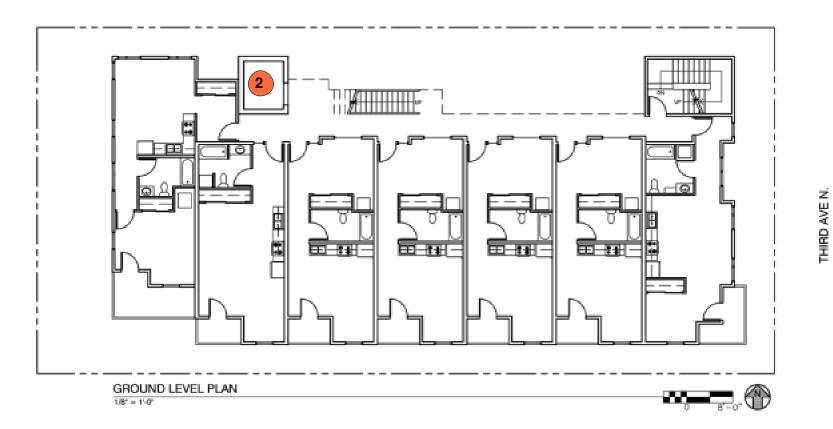
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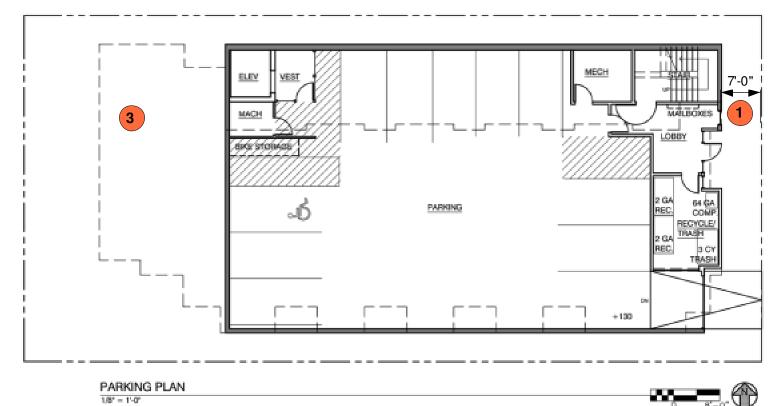


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**BUILDING MODEL** 

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### **EDG RESPONSES**

- Shift the building 2' west to provide a greater front yard setback. This will enhance the views of the Space Needle from the north property decks. This was to addres the concerns of the neighbor to the north.
- Relocated the elevator shaft to create less of an impact on the neighbor to the north.

### RESPONSES TO NEIGHBOR CONCERNS

- Due to concerns about the soil and excavation by the neighbor to the west we raised the building 4' feet from the previous scheme. The geotech report confirmed that the soils are not good for holding up during excavation.
- Stepped the upper floor by eliminating one unit. Instead we created a garden terrace at the third floor. The roof deck required an elevator shaft and a stair shaft that blocked views for the north neighbor.

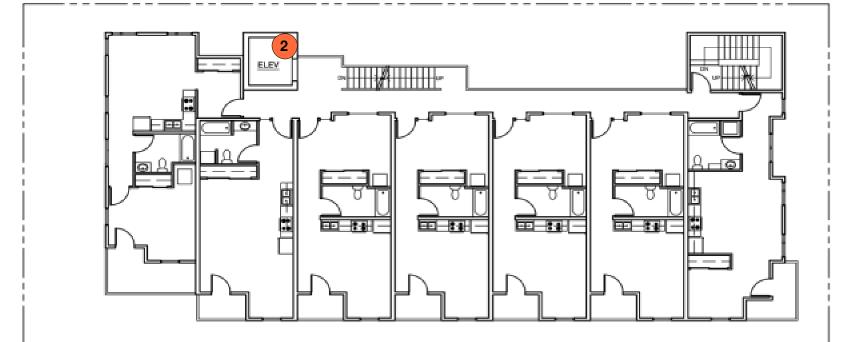
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**PARKING & GROUND FLOOR PLAN** 

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SECOND FLOOR PLAN 1/8" = 1"-0"

**SECOND & THIRD FLOOR PLANS** 





**SOUTH ELEVATION** 

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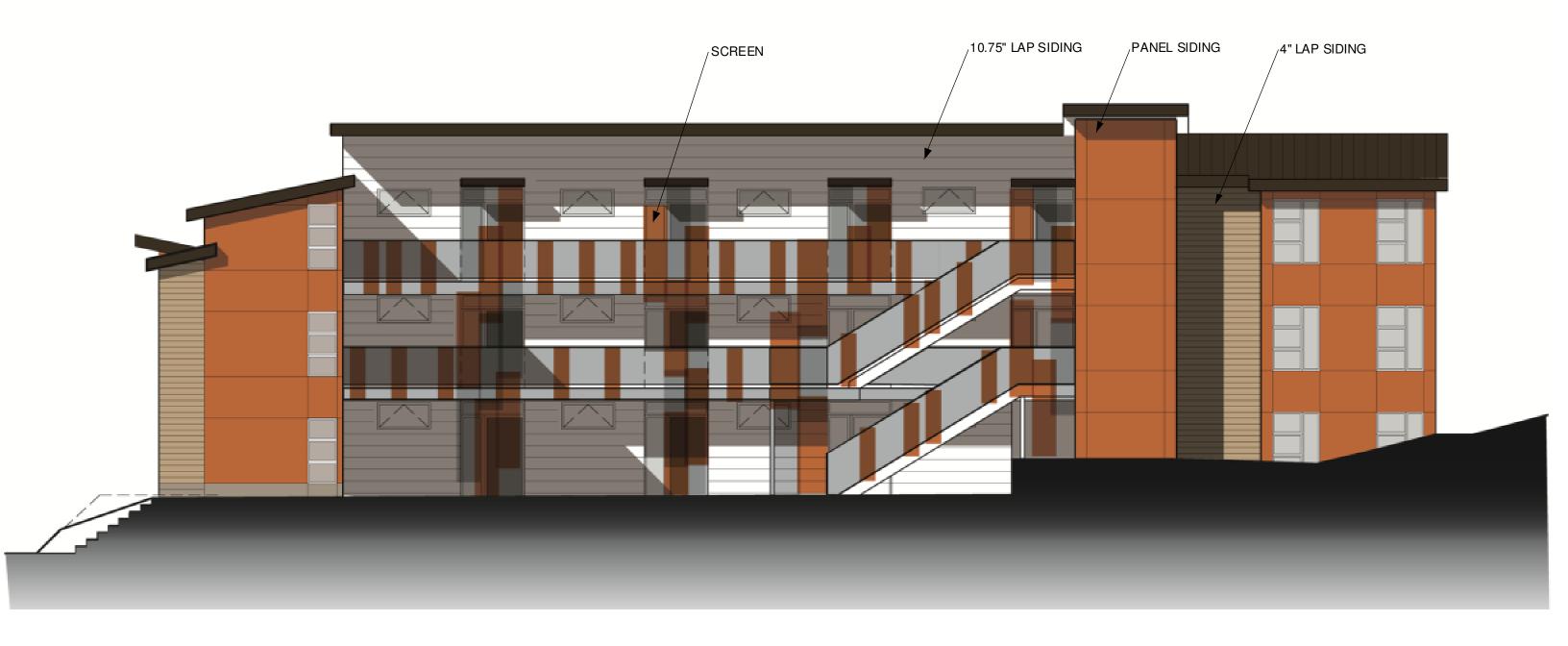


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**WEST & EAST ELEVATION** 

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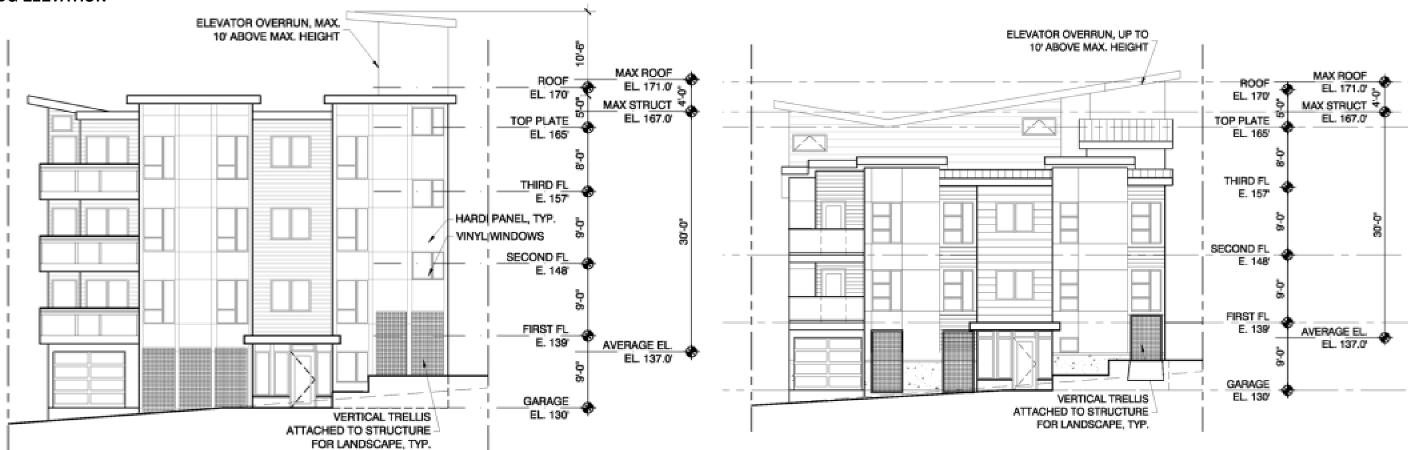




**NORTH ELEVATION** 

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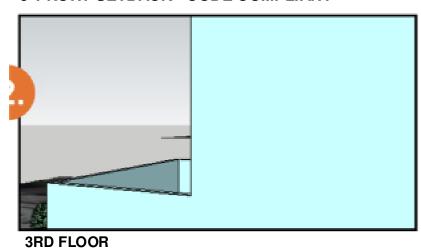
**ELEVATION AT MUP SUBMITTAL - CODE COMPLIANT** 

REVISED ELEVATION PER EDG COMMENTS



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### 5' FRONT SETBACK - CODE COMPLIANT



### 7' FRONT SETBACK, ELEVATOR RELOCATED

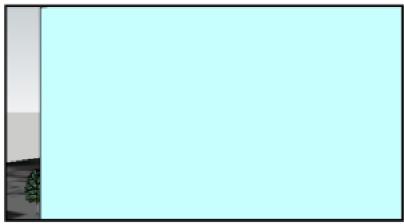




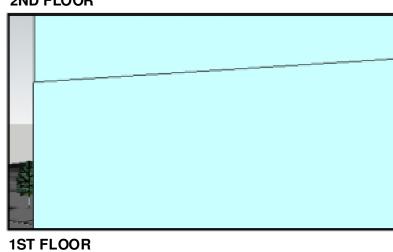
FRONT BALCONY VIEW



7' SETBACK

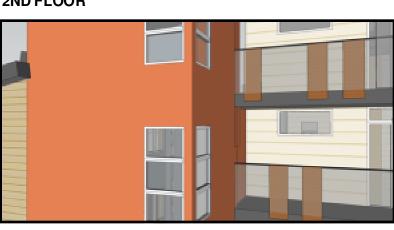


2ND FLOOR

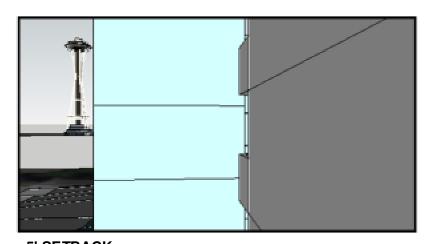


2ND FLOOR

3RD FLOOR



**1ST FLOOR** 

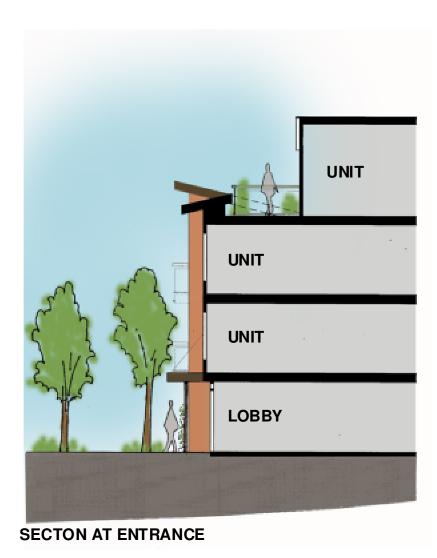


5' SETBACK









ENTRY ENTRANCE COURTYARD LANDSCAPING

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Response: We have create a small entry courtyard that includes a variety of plants. There is a buffer between the drive and the entry courtyard to create some separation. The planting changes at our building entrance to match what is happening on either side of our building.

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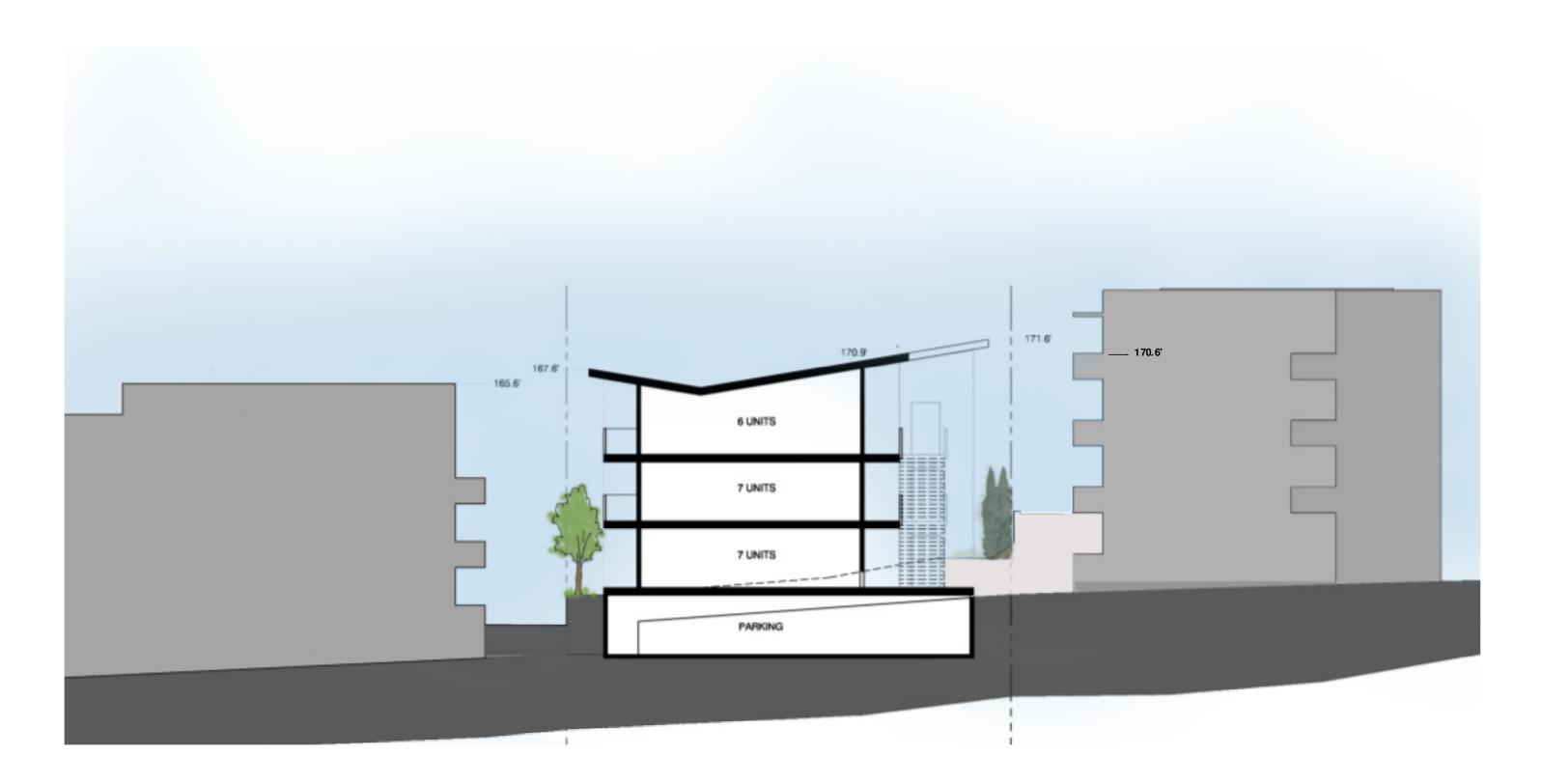
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STUDY OF ENTRANCE





**BUILDING SECTION** 

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Response: No screening is required. We are providing screening with a new fence and new trees along the edge.

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Response: We are showng options for the screening on the north facade.

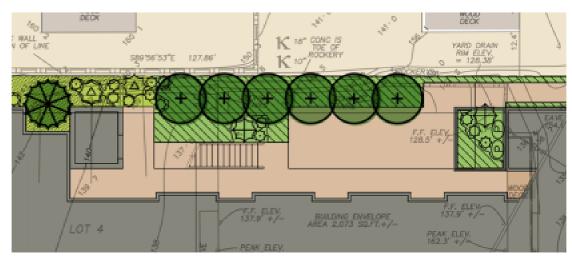
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COURTYARD LANDSCAPE PLAN





**VIEW TO THE WEST** 

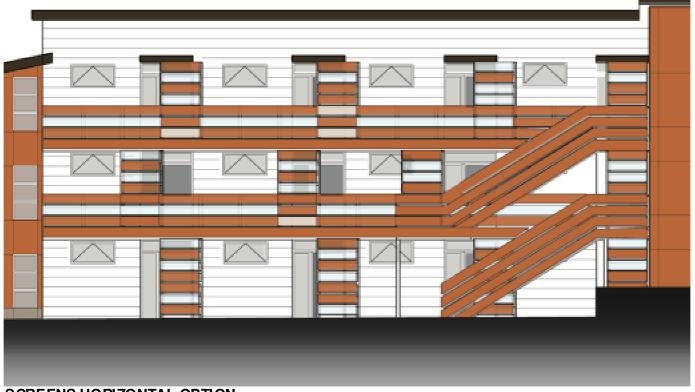
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**COURTYARD** 



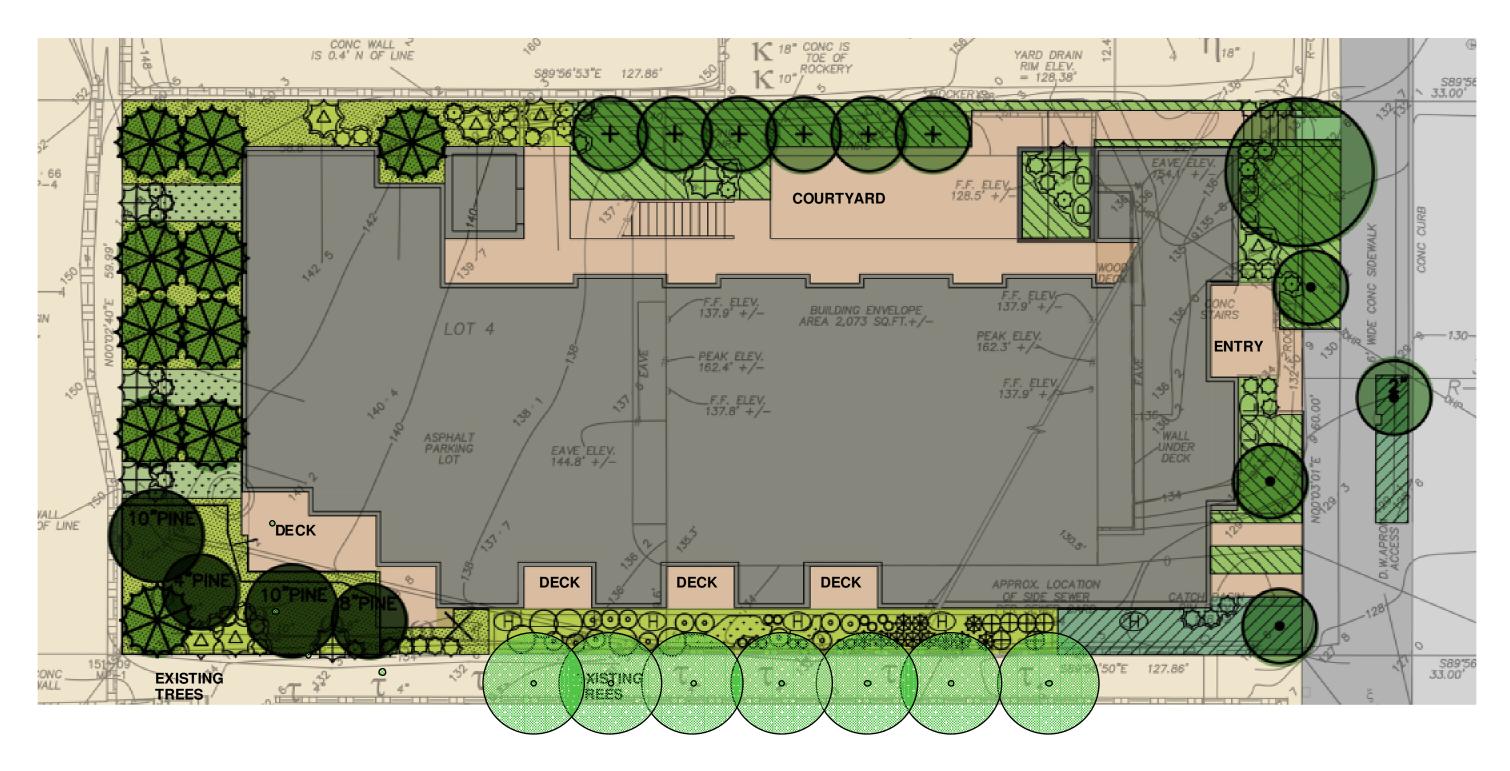


SCREENS VERTICAL OPTION

SCREENS HORIZONTAL OPTION



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**SCREENING OF NORTHERN PROPERTY** 

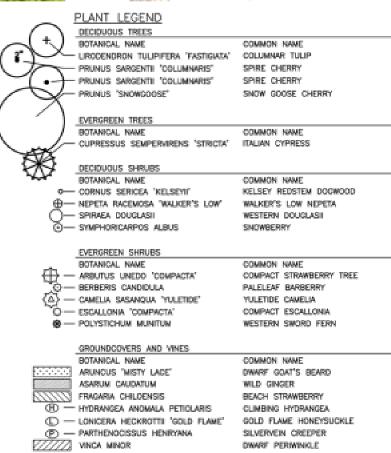
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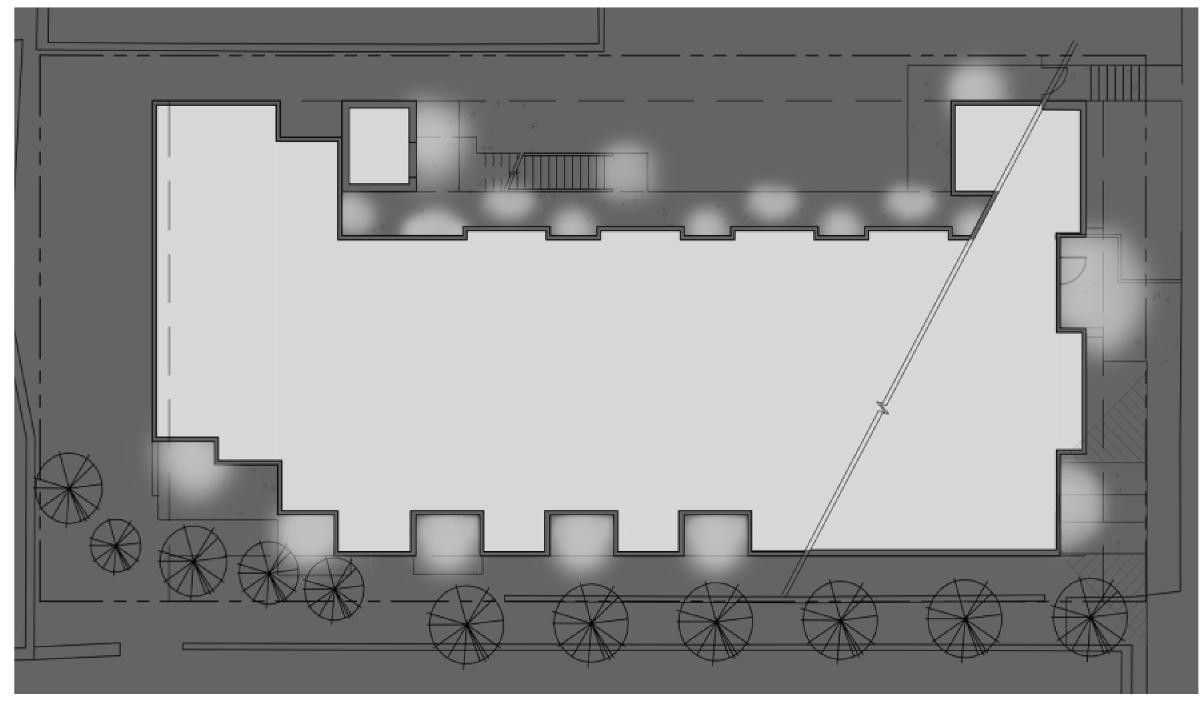


**PLANT EXAMPLES** 

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CAN LIGHT ABOVE UNIT ENTRIES



EXTERIOR LIGHT - STAIR, ELEVATOR, GARAGE



**DECK LIGHT** 

### LIGHTING PLAN



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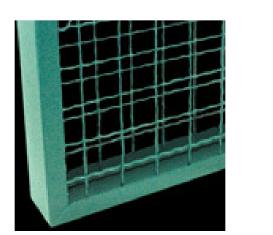
**EXTERIOR LIGHTING** 



STANDING SEAM METAL ROOF



TRANSLUCENT PANELS



**GREEN SCREEN MESH** 











PREFERRED COLOR SCHEME - WEST ELEVATION



4" LAP SIDING 10.75" LAP PANEL SIDING COLOR SCHEME PREFERRED SIDING

**MATERIALS** 



### **COLOR SCHEME OPTION - WEST ELEVATION**











**Cementitious Panel and Lap Siding** 

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**MATERIALS** 



**EXAMPLE OF TREATMENT FOR COURTYARD BETWEEN BUILDINGS** 



SIDING AND DECK TREATMENT OPTIONS



**EXAMPLE OF MATERIAL AND LOBBY TREATMENT** 



**EXAMPLE OF EXTERIOR CIRCULATION TREATMENT** 



