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PROJECT INFORMATION

ADDRESS:	1622 E YESLER WAY
DPD PROJECT #:	3015183
KING COUNTY ASSESSORS #:	982670-0695
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	YESLER'S H L FIRST ADDITION PLAT BLOCK; 16, PLAT LOT; 6
ZONING:	NC1-40
OVERLAY DESIGNATION:	Urban Village: 23rd & Union-Jackson Urban Village Frequent Transit Corridor

PROJECT SUMMARY

The Early Design Guidance Meeting was held on October 2, 2013 The Master Use Permit was submitted on December 13, 2013 The first Design Recommendation Meeting was held on May 7, 2014



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VICINITY MAP



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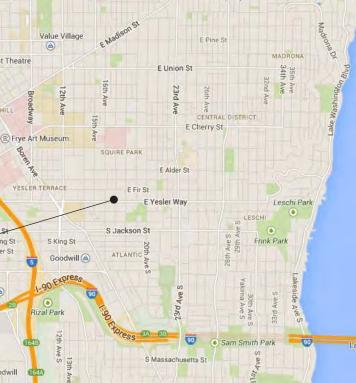


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The project site is located in the northwest corner of the intersection of E Yesler Way and 17th Avenue in Seattle, Washington. It is approximately 8,000 SF and slopes downhill from the northeast corner to the southwest corner about 10 feet across the site.

The site was previously occupied by two vacant commercial structures: a former gas station and auto repair shop. Demolition of these structures was completed under DPD permit #6363781. Site remediation has been done and a No Further Action (NFA) letter from the Department of Ecology was issued on March 31st, 2014.

The lots to the north and west of the site are zoned LR-3, which require a 15' setback along those property lines.

Currently, west of the site there are low-rise apartment buildings. The vacant lot to the north has a townhome project proposed under a separate permit (#3015756).

The design proposal is to develop (7) fourstory live-work units with approximately 2,500 SF of commercial use along E Yesler Way with parking accessed by a driveway from 17th Avenue. Six parking stalls will be provided in garages on the ground level, with one surface stall west of the building.



DEVELOPMENT STATISTICS SUMMARY

			FAR SF
Lot Size	8,025	SF	FAR SF.
FAR	3.00		
Allowable SF	24,075	SF	
Proposed SF	16,099	SF	

;F :	LEVEL	I	AREA		PARKING:	LOCATION	STALLS
	Ground (Commercial)	2,616	SF			Garage	6
	Ground (Residential)	1,458	SF			Surface	1
	2nd	4,210	SF			Total Proposed	7
	3rd	4,339	SF				
	4th	3,476	SF				
	Total Proposed	16,099	SF	7 Live/Work Units			

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1. 17th AVENUE E FACING WEST



2. E YESLER WAY - FACING NORTH

STREET VIEWS

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PROJECT SITE



3. E YESLER WAY - FACING SOUTH

ACROSS FROM SITE



4. 17th AVE - FACING EAST

STREET VIEWS







DESIGN CUES

- older apartment building directly across site
- facade responds to slope of site
- modulation creates visual interest



DESIGN CUES

- example of nearby townhome development
- warm, inviting exterior
- lush landscape along street



DESIGN CUES

- light brick facade softens building mass
- pedestrian seating incorporated on ground level
- variety of window shapes/sizes - identifying signage

- DESIGN CUES
- example of single family residence - modern design
- narrow shape with depth and garage on ground floor
- variety of materials
- driveway made of permeable pavers



DESIGN CUES

- landscape buffer between public and private space
- use of color and modulation breaks up street facade
- decks out front promote interaction among residents and neighborhood



DESIGN CUES

- example of live-work development along E Yesler Way - height and massing (4 levels, commercial on ground floor) - combination of different materials to create visual interest



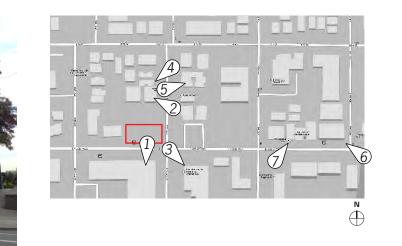
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NEIGHBORHOOD ANALYSIS

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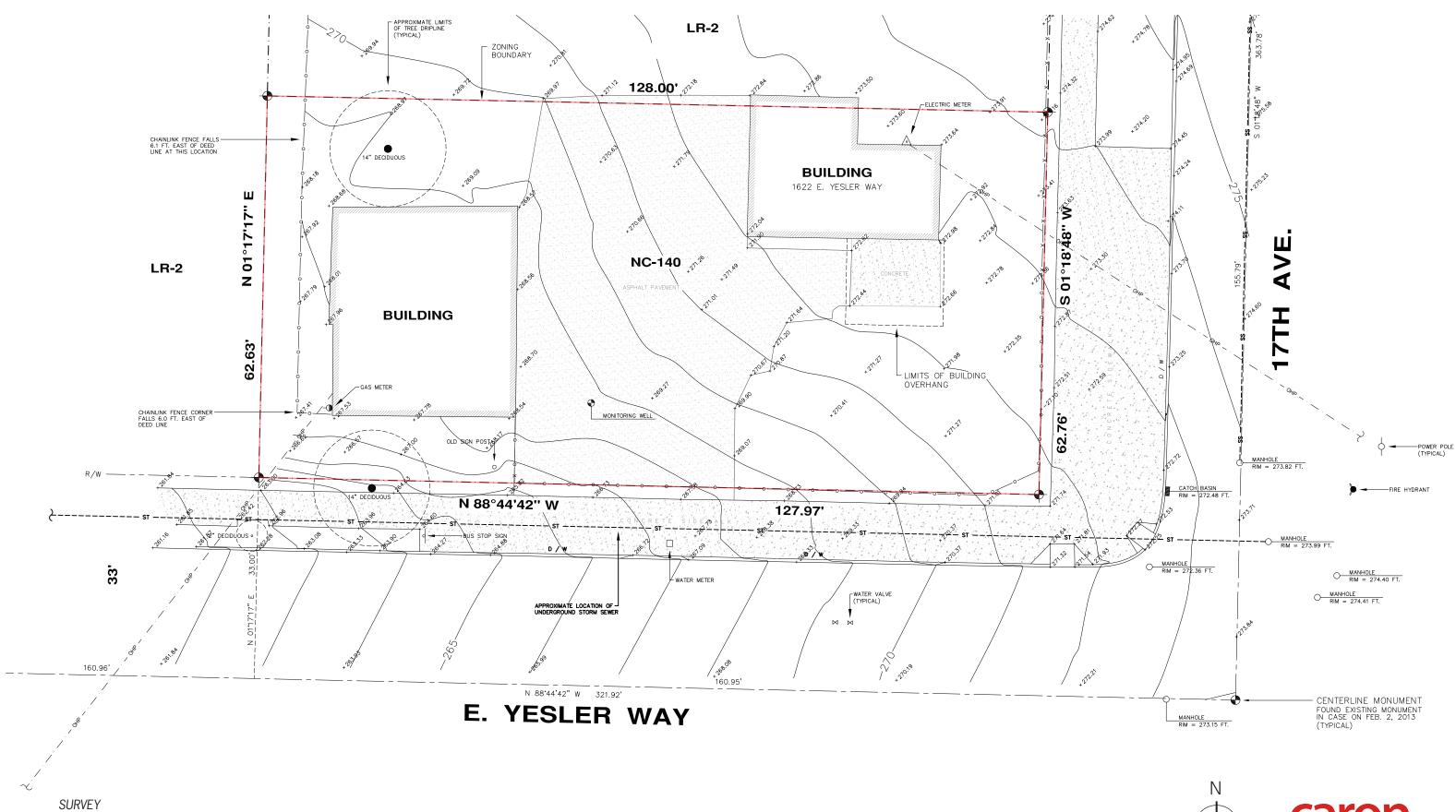
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- example of commercial development along E Yesler Way - storefront scaled for pedestrian -recesses allow protection from the elements







SMC FOR NC1-40	REQUIRED	PROPOSED	COMPLIES
23.47A.004 PERMITTED AND PROHIBITED USES	COMMERCIAL USES INCLUDING EATING & DRINKING ESTABLISHMENTS, SOME ENTERTAINMENT USES, FOOD PROCESSING AND CRAFT WORK, LAB/ RESEARCH FACILITIES, LODGING, MEDICAL SERVICES, OFFICES AND SALES ARE ALLOWED. LIVE-WORK UNITS PERMITTED. RESIDENTIAL USES PERMITTED.	LIVE-WORK UNITS PROPOSED	COMPLIANT
23.47A.005 STREET-LEVEL USES	C1. IN ALL NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL AND C1 ZONES, RESIDENTIAL USES MAY OCCUPY, IN THE AGGREGATE, NO MORE THAN 20 PERCENT OF THE STREET-LEVEL STREET-FACING FACADE	LIVE-WORK UNITS PROPOSED	COMPLIANT
23.47A.008 STREET-LEVEL DEVELOPMENT	A.2.b: BLANK SEGMENTS OF THE STREET-FACING FACADE BETWEEN 2 FEET AND 8 FEET ABOVE THE SIDEWALK MAY NOT EXCEED 20 FEET IN WIDTH.	NO BLANK FACADE EXCEEDING 20FT IS PROVIDED. MAX. BLANK FACADE SEGMENT PROPOSED IS 13FT.	COMPLIANT
STANDARDS	A.2.c: THE TOTAL OF ALL BLANK FACADE SEGMENTS MAY NOT EXCEED 40% OF THE WIDTH OF THE FACADE OF THE STRUCTURE ALONG THE STREET.	TOTAL OF ALL PROPOSED BLANK FACADE ALONG E. YESLER WAY IS 27%, AND ALONG 17TH AVE. IS 11%.	
	B.2.a: 60% OF THE STREET-FACING FACADE BETWEEN 2FT AND 8FT ABOVE THE SIDEWALK SHALL BE TRANSPARENT.	74% OF FACADE ALONG E. YESLER WAY AND 84% OF FACADE ALONG 17TH AVE. IS PROPOSED TO BE TRANSPARENT.	
	B.2.b. TRANSPARENT AREAS OF FACADES SHALL BE DESIGNED AND MAINTAINED TO ALLOW UNOBSTRUCTED VIEWS FROM THE OUTSIDE INTO THE STRUCTURE OR, IN THE CASE OF LIVE-WORK UNITS, INTO DISPLAY WINDOWS THAT HAVE A MIN. 30 INCH DEPTH.	TRANSPARENT AREAS ARE DESIGNED TO ALLOW UNOBSTRUCTED VIEWS INTO THE STRUCTURE.	
	B.3: NONRESIDENTIAL USES SHALL HAVE DEPTH GREATER THAN 50% OF THE STRUCTURE'S FOOTPRINT.	EACH LIVE-WORK UNIT HAS DEPTH OF 23FT, WHICH IS 58% OF THE STRUCTURE'S FOOTPRINT.	COMPLIANT
	B.3.b: NONRESIDENTIAL USES AT STREET LEVEL SHALL HAVE A FLOOR TO FLOOR HEIGHT OF AT LEAST 13FT.	EACH LIVE-WORK UNITS HAS MINIMUM OF 13FT FLOOR TO FLOOR HEIGHT.	
	D.1: AT LEAST ONE OF THE STREET-LEVEL STREET-FACING FACADES CONTAINING A RESIDENTIAL USE SHALL HAVE A VISUALLY PROMINENT PEDESTRIAN ENTRY.	EACH LIVE-WORK UNIT HAS THEIR OWN PROMINENT ENTRY.	
	E: WHEN A LIVE-WORK UNIT IS LOCATED ON A STREET-LEVEL STREET-FACING FACADE. PORTION OF EACH SUCH LIVE-WORK UNIT IN WHICH BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED MUST BE LOCATED BETWEEN THE PRINCIPAL STREET AND THE RESIDENTIAL PORTION OF THE LIVE-WORK UNIT.	LIVE-WORK UNIT IS PROPOSED TO HAVE THE PORTION IN WHICH BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED AT THE STREET FRONT.	
23.47A.012 STRUCTURE	A.1.a.1): THE HEIGHT OF A STRUCTURE MAY EXCEED UP TO 4FT IF a) A FLOOR-TO-FLOOR HEIGHT OF 13 FT OR MORE IS PROVIDED FOR NONRESIDENTIAL USES AT STREET LEVEL.	ALL NONRESIDENTIAL USES AT STREET LEVEL ARE PROPOSED TO BE MIN. 13FT.	COMPLIANT
HEIGHT	C.2: OPEN RAILINGS, PLANTERS, PARAPETS AND FIREWALLS MAY EXTEND UP TO 4FT ABOVE HEIGHT LIMIT.	ALL PARAPETS, RAILINGS. PLANTERS AND FIREWALLS ARE MAX. 4FT ABOVE HEIGHT LIMIT.	
	C.4: MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT CAN EXTEND UP TO 15FT ABOVE HEIGHT LIMIT, STAIR AND ELEVATOR PENTHOUSES MAY EXTEND UP TO 16FT ABOVE HEIGHT LIMIT, AS LONG AS THE COMBINED TOTAL COVERAGE OF ALL FEATURES DOES NOT EXCEED 20% OF THE ROOF AREA, OR 25% OF THE ROOF AREA IF THE TOTAL INCLUDES STAIR OR ELEVATOR PENTHOUSES OR SCREENED MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT.	NO STAIR AND/OR ELEVATOR PENTHOUSES ARE PROPOSED.	
23.47A.013 FLOOR AREA RATIO	B: 3.0 FAR ALLOWED.	TOTAL SITE AREA: 8,025 SF FAR ALLOWED: 24,075 SF FAR PROVIDED: 16,099 SF	COMPLIANT

ZONING DATA

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23.47A.014 SETBACK REQUIREMENTS	B.2: FOR A STRUCTURE CONTAINING A NON-RESIDENTIAL USE, A SETBACK IS REQURIED ALONG ANY SIDE OR REAR LOT LINE THAT ABUTS A LOT IN A RESIDENTIAL ZONE. a. 10FT FOR PORTIONS OF STRUCTURES ABOVE 13FT IN HEIGHT TO A MAX, 40FT. b. FOR EACH PORTION OF A STRUCTURE ABOVE 40FT IN HEIGHT, ADDITIONAL SETBACK AT THE RATE OF 2FT.	NORTH & WEST PROPERTY LINES ABUT RESIDENTIAL ZONE. 15FT SETBACK PROPOSED FOR BOTH NORTH AND WEST PROPERTY LINES.	COMPLIANT, SEE SITE PLAN	
	B.5: NO ENTRANCE, WINDOW, OR OTHER OPENING IS PERMITTED CLOSE THAN 5FT TO AN ABUTTING RESIDENTIALLY ZONED LOT.			
	E.3: RAMPS OR OTHER DEVICES NECESSARY FOR ACCESS FOR THE DISABLED AND ELDERLY, WHICH MEET SEATTLE BUILDING CODE, CHAPTER 11, ARE PERMITTED IN REQUIRED SETBACK.			
23.47A.016 LANDSCAPING	A.2: GREEN FACTOR SCORE OF 0.3 OR GREATER REQUIRED.	GREEN FACTOR SCORE 0.3 OR GREATER PROPOSED.	COMPLIANT	
AND SCREENING STANDARDS	D.1.c.2: SURFACE PARKING ABUTTING A RESIDENTIAL ZONE MUST HAVE A 6' HIGH SCREENING AND 5' DEEP PLANTING AREA	GREEN SCREEN ON FENCE IN LIEU OF PLANTING AREA PROPOSED.	Departure Granted	
23.47A.022 LIGHT AND GLARE STANDARDS	A: EXTERIOR LIGHTING MUST BE SHIELDED AND DIRECTED AWAY FROM ADJACENT USES. B: INTERIOR LIGHTING IN PARKING GARAGES MUST BE SHIELDED TO MINIMIZE NIGHTTIME GLARE AFFECTING NEARBY USES.	EXTERIOR LIGHTING WILL BE SHIELDED AND DIRECTED AWAY FROM ADJACENT USES.	COMPLIANT. SEE SITE PLAN	
	C: DRIVEWAYS AND PARKING AREAS FOR MORE THAN TWO VEHICLES SHALL BE SCREENED FROM ADJACENT PROPERTIES.			
23.47A.024 AMENITY AREA	A: 5% OF TOTAL GROSS FLOOR AREA IN RESIDENTIAL USE REQUIRED. B: REQUIRED AMENITY AREAS SHALL MEET THE FOLLOWING STANDARDS: 1. ALL RESIDENTS SHALL HAVE ACCESS TO AT LEAST ONE COMMON OR PRIVATE AMENITY AREA 2. AMENITY AREAS SHALL NOT BE ENCLOSED 3. PARKING AREAS, VEHICULAR ACCESS EASEMENT, AND DRIVEWAYS DO NOT COUNT AS AMENITY AREAS 4. MIN. HORIZONTAL DIMENSION OF 10 FT, AND MIN. SIZE OF 250 SF.			
23.53.035 OVERHANGS IN THE ROW	A.4.c: STRUCTURAL OVERHANG LENGTH MUST TAPER FROM 15' TO 9' USING 45° ANGLES AT THE EDGES	90° ANGLES PROPOSED AT EDGES OF STRUCTURAL OVERHANG IN ROW	Departure Granted	
23.54.015 REQUIRED PARKING	TABLE A.II.J & TABLE B.II.M. NO PARKING REQUIRED IN URBAN VILLAGES THAT ARE NOT WITHIN AN URBAN CENTER OR THE STATION AREA OVERLAY DISTRICT.	NO PARKING REQUIRED. HOWEVER, 7 SPACES PROVIDED.	COMPLIANT, SEE SITE PLAN	
23.54.040 SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLABLE MATERIALS	TABLE A: RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT 2-8 DWELLING UNITS REQUIRE 87SF.	2' x 6' AREA PROVIDED PER EACH LIVE-WORK UNIT.	COMPLIAN, SEE SITE PLAN	
23.54.030 PARKING SPACE STANDARDS	B.2.a: Ten or fewer parking stalls: a max. of 25% of the parking spaces may be striped for small vehicles. A min. of 75% of the spaces shall be striped for large vehicles.	6/7 stalls will be for small vehicles (86%) 1/7 stalls will be for large vehicles (14%)	Departure Requested, see page 23	
	E.1: Parking aisle requirement	Reduced aisle width for large vehicle	Departure Requested, see page 23	
	E.2: Minimum parking aisle width shall be provided for the largest vehicle served by that aisle	Reduced aisle width for large vehicle	Departure Requested, see page 23	







OPTION A (DEVELOPED)

Summary

The preferred option has been refined to expand the commercial space on the ground floor easternmost unit, with its parking stall being relocated west of the building on surface, and is van accessible. The board requested that the two corner units be expanded to full commercial depth, but after various parking layout studies, there was not enough site surface to locate both parking stalls that would be eliminated with this option. The driveway along the north property line has been reduced in width. with access via a smaller curb cut and landscaped to create a more "park-like experience at the back" which the proposed project to the north will also utilize. Materials and finishes have been incorporated into the design that relate to the existing characteristic of the neighborhood, such as a light brick facade at the ground level which reflects the adjacent historical landmark, the Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute.

MASSING OPTION A (PREFERRED)*

PROS:

- Commercial entry recessed at street level
- encouraging pedestrian use and movement
- 2 corner units create a stopping point and emphasize intersection
- Full commercial base
- Facade modulated at each unit
- Balconies along street generate interaction among residents and neighborhood
- Ground floor commercial spaces respond to sloped condition of site
- One parking stall/unit

CONS:

- Aligned roof creates taller structure
- Less individuality as units are aligned

MASSING OPTION B

PROS:

- Commercial entry recessed at street level encouraging pedestrian use
- Full commercial base
- Vertical modulation creates visual interest
- No departures required
- Fully zoning code compliant

CONS:

- Less emphasis on corner
- Needs more horizontal modulation
- Monotonous back facade

*The Board suggested the preferred design scheme Option A should move forward to the Master Use Permit (MUP) submittal with their design guidance.

PREVIOUS EDG SUMMARY

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MASSING OPTION C

PROS:

- Each unit steps along E Yesler Street
- Creates rhythm for pedestrian
- Horizontal recess modulation
- Full commercial base
- Corner is emphasized by flipping two end units
- No departures required

CONS:

- Floors and openings will not align
- Less commercial feeling
- Structure becomes too busy
- More expensive to build
- Design loses cohesion

EDG DIRECTION	RESPONSE
 A-2 Streetscape Compatibility The siting of buildings should acknowledge and reinforce the existing desirable spatial characteristics of the right-of-way. EDG Report: It is imperative that the Board understands more clearly how the design is cohesive as building form and relates to the established context. 	Response: The proposed project is part of NC1 zoning along E Yesler Way vacant properties, the configuration of the project attempts to Yesler Way with individual entries directly from the street, each
 A-4 Human Activity New development should be sited and designed to encourage human activity on the street. EDG Report: The Board felt it was important that the design reinforces desired streetscape characteristics which is commercial at the street-level and incorporates elements that achieve good human scale. 	Response: Human activity on the street will be encouraged through the use street level. The entire building is set back from the property lin A variety of materials and textures at the ground level provide v
 A-5 Respect for Adjacent Sites Buildings should respect adjacent properties by being located on their sites to minimize disruption of the privacy and outdoor activities of residents in adjacent buildings. EDG Report: The design of the new building should incorporate architectural features, elements and details to enhance pedestrian comfort, discourage blank walls, are respectful of adjacent properties and reinforce the spatial characteristics of both East Yesler Way and 17th Avenue. 	Response: The proposed design has limited windows on the west elevation The northern driveway will be enhanced with landscaping and p predominantly pedestrian street with only access to residential
 A-8 Parking and Vehicle Access Siting should minimize the impact of automobile parking and driveways on the pedestrian environment, adjacent properties, and pedestrian safety. EDG Report: The board stated that, in order to complete the composition, the live-work parking spaces in the structure should have garage doors and the open parking spaces in the structure should be screened from the street and adjacent properties. The board commented that it would support a code departure request that would reduce the curb cut, and parking aisle widths to create a more "park-like experience at the back". 	Response: Residential vehicular access onto the site will be from 17th Ave will be scaled down to 10' providing an opportunity for landsca be within the structure, screened by garage doors. One surface parking stall has been located at the end of the dr from street view by a fence and landscaping.
 A-10 Corner Lots Building on corner lots should be oriented to the corner and public street fronts. Parking and automobile access should be located away from corners. EDG Report: At the Recommendation meeting, the Board expects to review a design that creates a strong commercial presence at the corner. 	Response: The architectural concept emphasizes the intersection of 17th have a different façade treatment to further enhance the SE co commercial glazing will wrap around the corner. Brick will also wrap the corner but then transition to "softer" ma

r Way. While isolated from development on the 1900 block by ts to provide a continuation of small commercial spaces along E each identified with signage and overhead canopies.

ne use of landscaping elements and massing of the building at the rty line 36" to allow for more pedestrian space at the ground level. vide visual interest as well.

vation facing the adjacent apartment building to maintain privacy. and pervious pavement to create more of woonerf experience, or ential parking.

h Avenue. Per Review Board comments, the curb cut and driveway dscape buffer and screening. Individual residential parking stalls will

he driveway to the western façade, where it would be screened

17th Avenue and E Yesler Way with a massing of 2 units which will SE corner of the lot. Here there will be a higher parapet and

er" materials at the point of residential entry to the corner unit.

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EDG DIRECTION

B-1 Height, Bulk and Scale Compatibility.

Projects should be compatible with the scale of development anticipated by the applicable Land Use Policies for the surrounding area and should be sited and designed to provide a sensitive transition to near-by, less intensive zones. Projects on zone edges should be developed in a manner that creates a step in perceived height, bulk, and scale between anticipated development potential of the adjacent zones.

EDG Report: The design and siting pattern of the new live-work non-residential development should respond to specific site conditions and be compatible with the anticipated scale of development in the neighborhood.

C-1 Architectural Context

New buildings proposed for existing neighborhoods with a well-defined and desirable character should be compatible with or complement the architectural character and siting pattern of neighboring buildings.

EDG Report: The board felt that the massing presented worked against the applicant's commercial design concept and did not relate well with the established neighborhood architectural context (Langston Hughes, adjacent residential uses and commercial buildings). It is imperative that the Board understands more clearly how the design is cohesive as building form and relates to the established context.

C-2 Architectural Concept and Consistency

Building design elements, details and massing should create a well-proportioned and unified building form and exhibit an overall architectural concept. Buildings should exhibit form and features identifying the functions within the building. In general, the roofline or top of the structure should be clearly distinguished from its facade walls.

EDG Report: At the Recommendation meeting, the Board expects to review a design that allows for flexibility in the commercial "work" spaces, and if there are changes in scale, it makes sense.

C-3 Human Scale

The design of new buildings should incorporate architectural features, elements, and details to achieve a good human scale.

EDG Report: At the Recommendation meeting, the Board expects to review renderings showing how the live-work building, details, landscaping, and design relate to the spatial characteristics of the street. Images that illustrate design elements visible by pedestrians from the sidewalk should also be offered.

C-4 Exterior Finish Materials

Building exteriors should be constructed of durable and maintainable materials that are attractive even when viewed up close. Materials that have texture, pattern, or lend themselves to a high quality of detailing are encouraged.

EDG Report: The board encouraged the use of durable quality materials (specifically commercial materials) that reinforce the design concept and respond to the permanence of the Langston Hughes building. The board expects to review physical materials and color hues in keeping with the neighborhood context at the Recommendation meeting.

RESPONSE

Response:

The proposal is in-keeping with the height and bulk of existing buildings in the NC1-40 zone, however we have opted for unoccupied roofs in an effort to minimize additional height added by necessary roof elements such as a penthouse. We have also massed the project to step down along E Yesler Way at the ground level following the elevation of the street as it declines towards the west.

The bulk of the project is significantly less than allowed by the zoning envelope. We have introduced a setback on the 4th level to provide visual relief and modulation making the project more compatible with the surrounding residential uses, while still maintaining the commercial character of the building.

Response:

The majority of adjacent projects are residential, multi-family finished with painted fiber cement and wood siding in a variety of styles. Newer construction (less than 10 years old) is predominantly more contemporary in character with flat roofs and modern modulation.

The Langston Hughes Performing Arts Institute, built in 1915 (originally as a synagogue) and located southeast of the project site across the intersection of 17th Avenue and East Yesler Way, features a light brick façade with white limestone trim. The project responds to this historic building by using a similar light brick on the lower portion of the commercial façade, extending it on the corner mass to the second story and providing a white accent color.

Response:

With the site being located on a corner, the focus of the design concept is emphasizing the 2 corner units by giving them a different architectural treatment and accenting the corner as much as possible. These units are taller (higher parapet) and create a bold corner element by flipping the top floor plan opposite of the other 5 units. The commercial use at the ground level also wraps around the corner, but transitions to residential as is consistent with development on 17th Avenue.

Response:

Textured, durable materials are used at the street level, along with canopies highlighting public entries and providing an opportunity for commercial signage.

Projecting balconies on the second level allow for additional human interaction and observation of the street. A woonerf driveway in the back provides landscaping and allows this area to double as amenity space for the residents.

Response:

A combination of brick, aluminum storefront glazing and fiber cement will provide durability and longevity of the building exterior. Painted steel canopies, balconies, and railings will provide additional details on the facade. Top floor decks and residential entries are surrounded with stained wood siding to add some warmth.

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D-2 Blank Walls

Buildings should avoid large blank walls facing the street, especially near sidewalks. Where blank walls are unavoidable they should receive design treatment to increase pedestrian comfort and interest.

EDG Report: The Board acknowledged that all visible blank walls (east and west facades) will need to be addressed. The Board expects to review details pertaining to any landscaping and/or design treatments proposed to address this concern at the Recommendation phase.

D-4 Design of Parking Lots near Sidewalks

Parking lots near sidewalks should provide adequate security and lighting, avoid encroachment of vehicles onto the sidewalk, and minimize the visual clutter of parking lot signs and equipment.

EDG Report: The Board stated the proposal should mitigate parking both visually and spatially. Also, the Board felt that there was an opportunity to treat the driveway as a forecourt to assist in creating a more residential environment enhanced with screening and landscaping.

D-5 Visual Impacts of Parking Structures

The visibility of all at-grade parking structures or accessory parking garages should be minimized. The parking portion of a structure should be architecturally compatible with the rest of the structure and streetscape. Open parking spaces and carports should be screened from the street and adjacent properties.

EDG Report: The Board stated that the open parking space should be screened from the street and adjacent properties.

D-6 Screening of Dumpsters and Service Areas

Building sites should locate service elements like trash dumpsters, loading docks and mechanical equipment away from the street front where possible. When elements such as dumpsters, utility meters, mechanical units and service areas cannot be located away from the street front, they should be situated and screened from view and should not be located in the pedestrian right-of-way.

EDG Report: At the Recommendation meeting, the Board expects to review details/ feedback from Seattle Public Utilities (SPU)-Solid Waste Division and trash collector concerning waste/recycling collection program and screening.

D-7 Personal Safety and Security

Project design should consider opportunities for enhancing personal safety and security in the environment under review.

EDG Report: The Board noted that pedestrians and surrounding residential properties will have direct views to the drive aisle/parking area.

RESPONSE

Response:

There are no street-facing blank walls exceeding code allowance. However, the segment of the wall between commercial and residential uses on 17th Avenue will be designed with a vertical green wall.

Response:

Although the residential-only parking that is provided is enclosed in garages, the driveway that is accessed from 17th Avenue will be adequately lit and designed with a woonerf-type aesthetic to lessen its impact and provide an opportunity for increased human activity. The surface parking stall located west of the building will be screened from street view.



Response:

One residential parking stall will be provided per unit and is enclosed on the north side of the ground floor in shared garages. There is one surface parking stall located west of the building and it will be screened from view on the street and adjacent properties by architectural fencing and landscaping.

Response:

Exterior screened enclosure for refuse storage will be provided on the west side of the building with pickup off 17th Avenue, as discussed with Liz Kain from SPU. (See "City Correspondence" page in this packet.)



Response:

Ground level lighting will be provided along the street as well as throughout the woonerf. Landscaping will be low in character to avoid opportunities for concealment. The adjacent project to the north (under separate permit) will also provide an overview of the woonerf to allow for more security. Parking stalls will be enclosed in garage doors to avoid deep, recessed. unsafe spaces.





EDG RESPONSE



EDG DIRECTION	RESPONSE
 D-9 Commercial Signage Signs should add interest to the street front environment and should be appropriate for the scale and character desired in the area. EDG Report: Conceptual commercial lighting and signage designs proposed for the building's facades should be presented at the Recommendation meeting. 	Response: Each commercial entry will be identified with a canopy featuring allow for commercial signage, both horizontal and blade forma
 D-10 Commercial Lighting Appropriate levels of lighting should be provided in order to promote visual interest and a sense of security for people in commercial districts during evening hours. Lighting may be provided by incorporation into the building façade, the underside of overhead weather protection, on and around street furniture, in merchandising display windows, in landscaped areas, and/or on signage. EDG Report: See comments above for D-9. 	Response: All commercial entries will feature down-lights, accentuating the evening. All lights will also be shielded to prevent glare. unity fo west of the building will be screened from street view.
 D-11 Commercial Transparency Commercial storefronts should be transparent, allowing for a direct visual connection between pedestrians on the sidewalk and the activities occurring on the interior of a building. Blank walls should be avoided. EDG Report: The design of the new building should incorporate architectural features, elements and details to enhance pedestrian comfort. 	Response: The ground floor commercial space of each live-work unit will h East Yesler Way and 17th Avenue, allowing direct visual conne- occurring on the interior of the building.
 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 should be appropriately incorporated into the design to enhance the project. EDG Report: The Board noted that future landscaping within the right-of-way should relate to the commercial (structured, plantings, hardscape) character along East Yesler Way and around the corner on 17th Avenue, transition to a residential character when appropriate along 17th Avenue, acknowledge the bus zone and be designed. 	Response: The proposed landscaping will feature enhanced street planting Yesler Way scheme will be more hardscape/ urban in characte around the southeast corner of the lot. The woonerf will start to to create a mutually accessible urban space.

EDG RESPONSE

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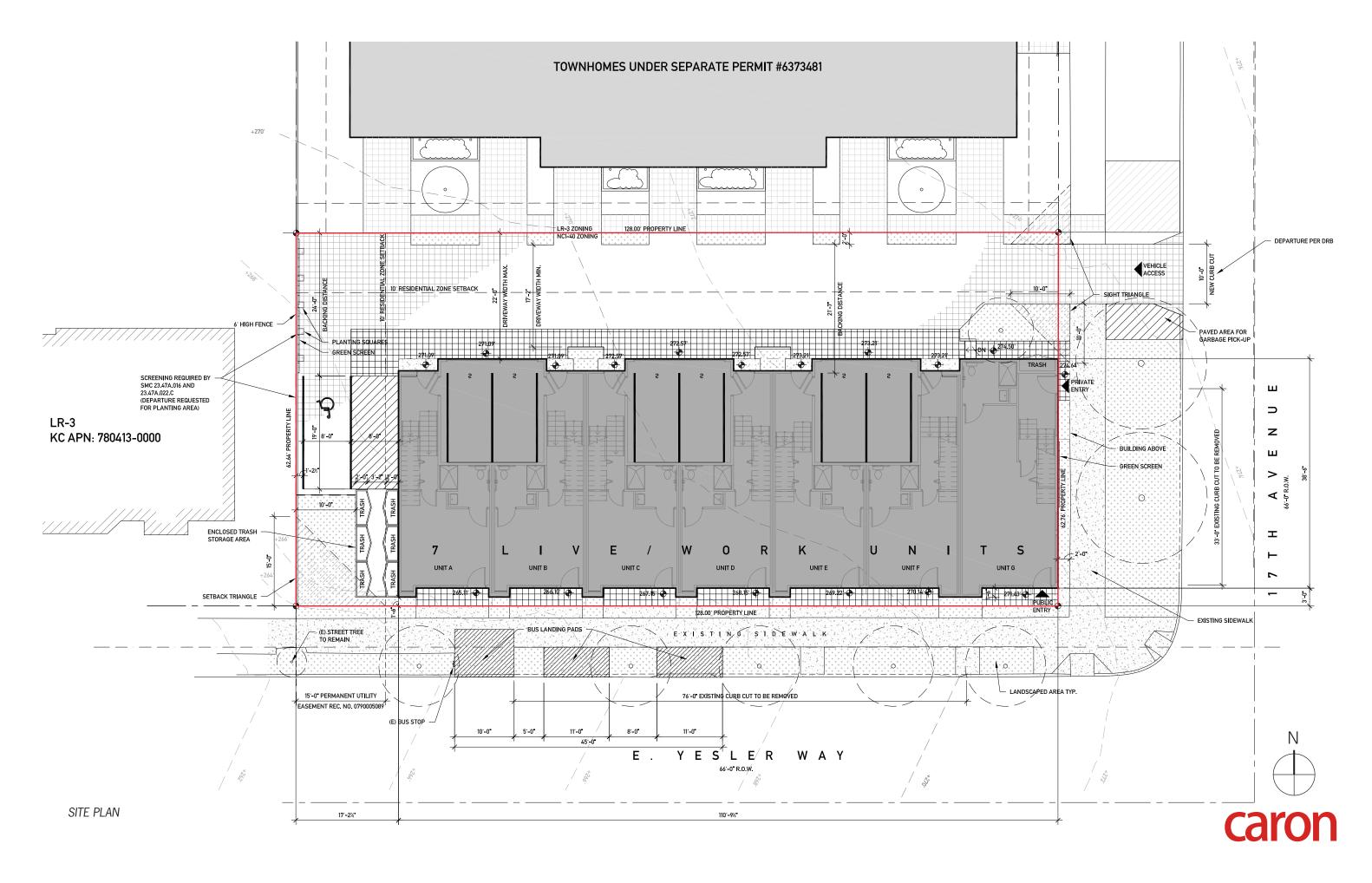
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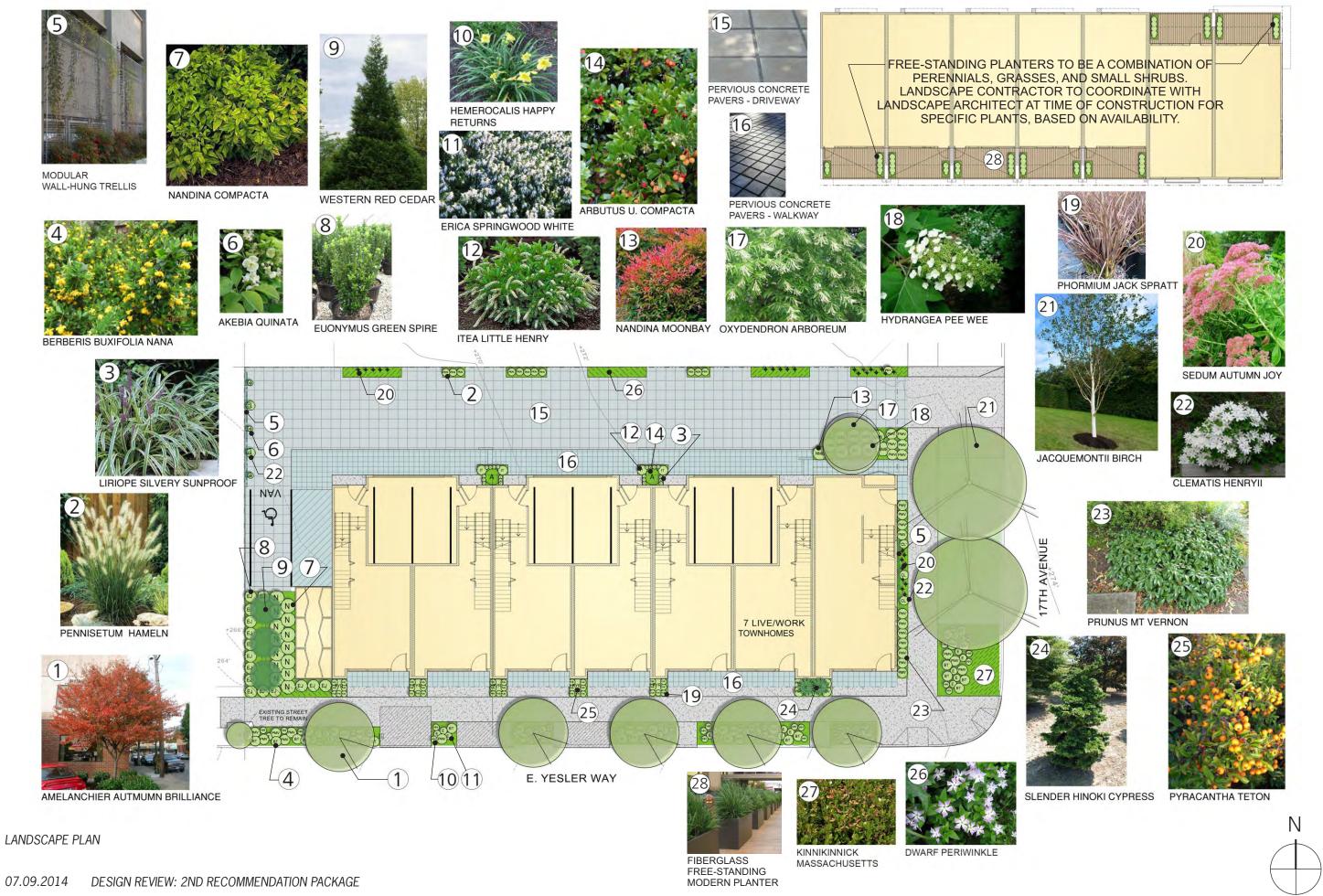
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anting strips on both East Yesler Way and 17th Avenue. The East racter, while transitioning to a softer, more residential character rart to blend in landscaping from the proposed project to the north





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SOUTHEAST VIEW (STREET TREES REMOVED)

PERSPECTIVES





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NORTHEAST VIEW



NORTH VIEW

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SOUTHEAST VIEW



OVERHEAD VIEW LOOKING SOUTHWEST

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EYE-LEVEL VIEW LOOKING WEST ALONG E. YESLER WAY





EYE-LEVEL VIEW LOOKING EAST ALONG E. YESLER WAY

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OVERHEAD VIEW LOOKING NORTHEAST

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REQUIREMENT

When ten or fewer parking spaces are provided, a maximum of 25 percent of the parking spaces may be striped for small vehicles. A minimum of 75 percent of the spaces shall be striped for large vehicles.

DEPARTURE

6/7 stalls will be for small vehicles (86%) 1/7 stalls will be for large vehicles (14%)

JUSTIFICATION

Throughout the Design Review process, the Board has encouraged a design which minimizes the impact of vehicles on site, and instead focuses on providing opportunities for landscaping and creating a more "park-like" atmosphere. The effects of incorporating the required amount of large stalls in the ground floor garages would cause a reduction in the size of the commercial spaces provided, and create a larger driveway due to the required backing distance of large stalls.

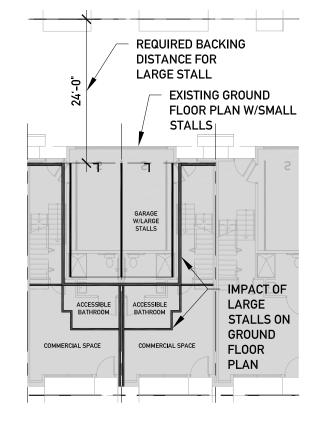
Providing small-sized stalls in the garages reduces the impact of the driveway and allows it to feel more residential which is characteristic of the neighborhood. The space saved with the reduced stall size is gained in the ground floor commercial areas.

Applicable Design Guidelines:

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<u>DIAGRAM</u>



DEPARTURES

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<u>REQUIREMENT</u>

E.1: Required aisle width for large vehicle is 24'E.2: Minimum aisle widths shall be provided for the largest vehicle served by the aisle

<u>DEPARTURE</u>

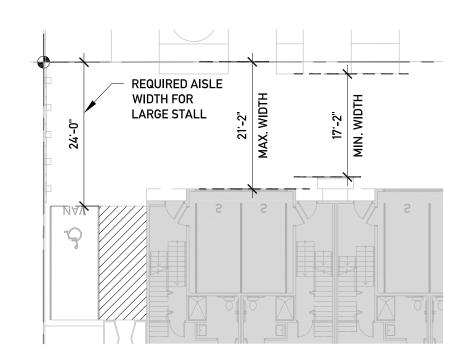
E.1: Driveway width for large vehicle is min. 17'-2" and max. 21'-2" E.2: Driveway width for all size vehicles is min. 17'-2" and max. 21'-2"

JUSTIFICATION

Expanding the aisle to the required width for the one large stall on site would increase the ground surface area being hard-scaped, and take away from possible opportunities for landscaping. The majority of the vehicles served by the driveway will be small-sized and the dimensions of the driveway being provided can still accommodate a large-sized vehicle while allowing safe maneuver of the site. The required backing-distance for the large stall is provided.

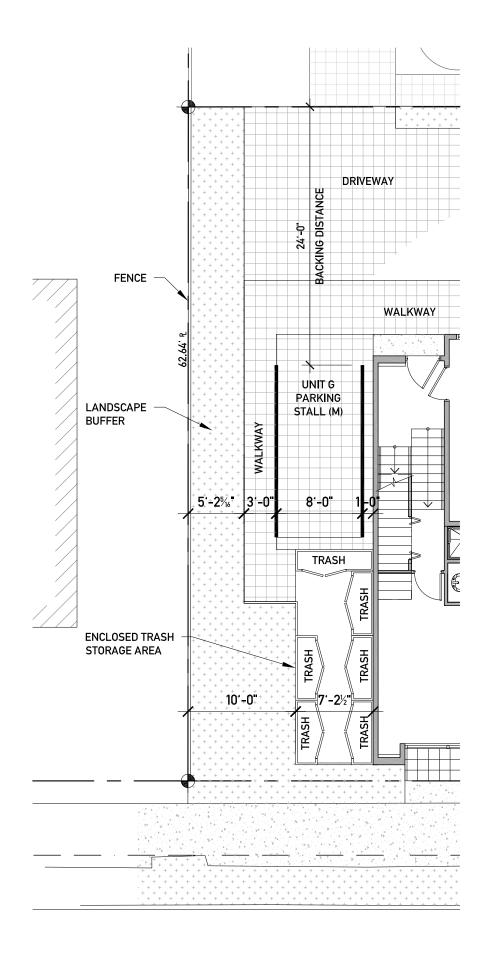
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ALT. SITE PLAN @ WEST SIDE OF PROPERTY

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