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YMSA USA DESIGN REVIEW RECOMMENDATION MEETING 1307 HARBOR AVENUE SW 21 JANUARY 2016 PROJECT #3015628

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Arborist Report

DEVELOPMENT OBJECTIVE

1. Please describe the existing site, including location, existing uses and/or structures, topographical or other physical features.

The site is located in West Seattle on a parcel that fronts both Harbor Avenue SW to the east and California Way SW to the west, just north of the Water Taxi terminal. Part of the project site includes the site of the former Alki Tavern. The buildings on the site consist of 1-2 story wood frame commercial and multi-family structures that are in poor to fair condition. The site is relatively flat along the Harbor Avenue SW frontage at an elevation of approximately 14.0' and is bordered to the east by a steep forested slope up to California Way SW. Across California Way SW to the east, the sloping hillside continues to an elevation of approximately 250.0'. There is one single family structure built in the 1920's that fronts California Way SW. Half of this existing structure is built in the right of way.

2. Please indicate the site's zoning and any other overlay designations, including applicable Neighborhood-Specific Guidelines

The project site is comprised of multiple parcels of land. The three northern lots fall within a MR Multi-family zone and the five lots to the south fall within a NC2-65 zone. There is a small sliver of land at the northwest corner of the site that falls within the SF 7200 Single Family zone. The MR zoned lots fall under the Alki Area Parking Overlay (23.54.015B). The project does not fall within any specific neighborhood design guidelines so will follow the newly adopted city-wide guidelines. The east edge of the site falls with in an archeological buffer zone. The east edge of the site falls within a designated Environmental Critical Area for steep slopes. California Way SW and Harbor Avenue SW are designated scenic routes.

3. Please describe neighboring development and uses, including adjacent zoning, physical features, existing architectural and siting patterns, views a, community landmarks, etc. At the north end of Alki in the vicinity of this project, the developed uses remain largely residential with a smattering of mixed use and commercial uses. To the east, is the Don Armeni Boat Ramp, and recreational bike and pedestrian pathways that lead to Alki's beaches and commercial district farther to the east. Adjacent zoning is MR Multifamily Residential to the north, NC2-65 Neighborhood Commercial to the south and SF 7200 Single Family. There are significant city, water and mountain views to the northeast, east and southeast. Views to the west are largely of forested hillside.

4. Please describe the applicant's development objectives, indicating types of desired uses, structure height (approx), number of residential units (approx.), amount of commercial square footage (approx.) and number of parking stalls (approx.). Please also include potential requests for departure from development standards. Development Objectives:

- 66,250 square foot mixed-use structure containing approximately:
 - 15 residential apartments, totaling about 24,100 square feet
 - 13,800 square feet of commercial office space
 - 8,000 square feet of light manufacturing
 - 2,500 square feet of ground floor retail
 - 2,800 square feet of restaurant
 - 41 parking spaces below grade, totaling approximately 6,500 square feet

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sun.

By limiting the development on the hillside, existing trees and habitats will be preserved on the undeveloped west portion of the property. Both landscape and building design will integrate with existing on-site natural habitats along the by incorporating similar elements such as plantings and boulders. The project includes a two-story water feature which will be a continuous waterfall that will mute the sounds of street traffic and create a natural northwest forest stream ambience.

multi-level commercial uses.



EARLY SECTIONAL CONCEPT SKETCH

SITE ENVIRONMENT

The project site has a long north-south orientation, and the steep slope of the hillside limits the buildable area to a long, narrow strip along the eastern edge of the site. The resulting building shape is one with a long eastern exposure, capable of harnessing early morning sun during heating months while employing internal blinds to reflect heat gain in cooling months. The west façade of the building facing the hillside will benefit from the existing heavy deciduous and evergreen tree canopy which will block the majority of late afternoon solar exposure in summer. In winter, when the nearby trees have lost their leaves, the project will benefit from afternoon

Due to the project's proximity to Elliott Bay, there is the possibility that natural through ventilation could be used to cool parts of the building. All occupiable spaces in the building will have operable windows and large door openings on both the east and west facades to promote passive ventilation when appropriate.

The site's unique location also affords the possibility of linking California Way SW with Harbor Avenue SW via a public stairway. The existing single-family residence (which currently encroaches into the public right of way on California Way SW) will be demolished. This previously developed uphill lot will be restored with native habitat and a publicly accessible route will be created down the hillside, bringing the public through the forested hillside site and giving access to the waterfront and enabling



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The southern three lots fall partially within the boundary of the Shoreline District, which is designated Urban Stable (US) in this location. The maximum building height in the US Environment is 30 feet. Therefore, portions of the building above 30 feet in height must be set back outside the Shoreline District. In addition, a view corridor of 35% of the width of the portion of the lots within the Shoreline District is also required, unless modified under SMC 23.60.162.

ECA STEEP SLOPE

constructed.



3 UPHILL SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCE



1 EXISTING COMMERCIAL STRUCTURES ON SITE



2 CAVED-IN SIDEWALK ALONG HARBOR AVE

SITE CONSTRAINTS

The property is 230 feet in length from the north end to the south and tapers from approximately 114 feet wide on the north end to 68 feet wide on the south end. There are a variety of buildings currently on the site; three single-family residences, each between 2 and 3 stories tall and 2 commercial buildings, between 1 and 2 stories tall. All of these buildings will be demolished. Adjacent to the project site are two condominiums: the Harbor Landing Condominiums (4 stories, 10 units) to the south and the Sea Bird Condominiums (4 stories, 50 units) to the north.

Much of the western portion of the site is an ECA steep slope. We will be requesting a variance to encroach into not more than 30% of the slope. This will allow for a 62 foot wide building footprint with 5 feet of buffer behind the building for construction of the site wall and in order to establish proper drainage. This is the minimum viable building footprint that will allow for functional below grade parking. Existing retaining walls on site will be removed, as they are in poor condition and not up to the standards of the current code.

The line of previous development was determined through a Request for Relief from Prohibition on Steep Slope Development in September of 2013. Site development without a steep slope variance must be east of this line. We will be requesting a second Request for Relief which will propose an additional line of previous development along the hillside where the existing single-family residence has been

FAR AND BUILDING ENVELOPE

To establish the allowable height of the proposed structure, the 'average grade level' per SMC 23.60.952 was determined, as depicted in the adjacent plan diagram. This establishes the base elevation at the 19'-9" datum, approximately 3'-6" above the sidewalk elevation, as depicted in the elevation diagram.

Per SMC 23.45.514.G.3, the base height limit of 60'-0" in the MR zones may be increased five feet to match the adjacent NC2-65 zone (ref elevation diagram).

In combination, these provisions allow for a building with an effective height of approximately 70'-3" above sidewalk elevation on Harbor Avenue SW.

The split site zoning for this site requires two different floor area ratio (FAR) calculations. For the southern portion of the site in the commercial NC2-65 zone, the allowable FAR is 4.75. For the northern portion of the site in the residential MR zone, the FAR is required to be lower at 3.2.

In none of the massing options developed for Early Design Guidance review were the allowable FARs achievable. The western portion of the site is impacted by the ECA steep slope; the southeastern portion, by the Shoreline District.









The project does not propose to remove any exceptional tree clusters. There are numerous tree species on the project site and within the right of way along California Way SW. The hillside is predominantly populated by groupings of tall, dense Big leaf Maple trees (Acer macrophyllum) with a few Wild Cherry trees (Prunus avium) existing along the southern portion of the site. The sheer size of these trees and the density of their canopies allow them to effectively screen the roof of the proposed building from residences further up the hill.

smaller plantings.





1 DENSE TREE GROWTH UPHILL OF SITE



2 TREES GROWING IN BASEMENT OF FORMER EMBERS NIGHTCLUB

TREES, LANDSCAPE, AND OPEN SPACE

There are also a number of much smaller Red Alder trees (Alnus rubra) in the lower, flatter part of the site. These fall within the building footprint and will be removed. Pyramidal European Hornbeams (Carpinus betulus) will be planted along Harbor Avenue SW between the sidewalk and the curb and will be accompanied by other,



AERIAL VIEW FROM HILLTOP RESIDENCE

The project's roofline is concealed from above by the dense mass of trees which cover the steep slope of the hillside. This is view 5 on the map on page 11.

TRANSIT & ACCESS

The project site is directly adjacent to a Metro Bus stop near the southeast corner. A couple of "blocks" to the south is the water taxi dock.

California Way SW and Harbor Avenue SW are designated Scenic Routes. The upper portion of California Way SW that wraps Hamilton Viewpoint Park is the portion of the roadway that opens up to territorial views over the treetops. Near the project site, the lower portion of California Way SW is largely bordered by tall trees with only peek-a-boo slots to the city and water view beyond.



WATER TAXI





PARKS FORESTS & BEACHES

There is also a significant amount of wooded area within the vicinity of the project site, primarily along the steep hillside which wraps around West Seattle. The western portion of the project site, starting at the toe of the slope, is similarly forested, providing opportunities for a design concept that integrates with the existing landscape. A little further west of the site is California Way SW, which bisects the hillside as it winds its way to the toward Hamilton Viewpoint Park. At the top edge of the hill are a handful of single-family houses, at roughly 200.0' above sea level, well above the grade of the project site.



SEACREST PARK



DON ARMENI BOAT LAUNCH

HAMILTON PARK

HAMILTON PARK

The project is located near the north tip of West Seattle, close to the east end of the Alki Beach area. The string of local public amenities begins with Luna Park Beach at the north which blends into Seacrest Park at the Don Armeni Boat Ramp directly across from the project site. This long stretch of parks and beaches along the waterfront attracts walkers, runners, fishers, and kayakers, making the area a highly visited destination for residents and tourists alike, especially in summer months. The project, given its adjacency to these public destinations, has the opportunity to support passers-by and park-goers by providing robust ground level commercial uses like retail shops and dining establishments.



SURROUNDING USES

At the north end of Alki, the developed uses in the vicinity of the project site remain largely residential with a smattering of mixed use and commercial uses. The waterfront side of Harbor Avenue SW is home to community uses such as beaches, parks, and public spaces like the Don Armeni Boat Ramp. The upland side of Harbor Avenue SW is predominately lined with multi-family residences with very few commercial uses at ground level. There are a handful of small eating establishments further south along Harbor Avenue SW, but for the most part the northern end of the peninsula is without commercial uses. The location of the site for this project is ideally suited for a mixed-use structure, and the proposed building will contain a large retail space (or spaces) as well as a two-story restaurant.

- 1 Alii-Kai Condominiums - 16 units, 5 stories
- 2 Wahkiakum Condominiums 7 units, 8 stories
- 3 Single Family
- Sea-Bird Condominiums 50 units, 4 stories 4
- 5 Mixed Use
 - Harbor Landing Condominium, 10 units, upper 3 stories Alki Dental, ground floor
- 6 Marination Station Restaurant
- Alki Kayak Tours 7
- 8 Mixed Use
 - Seacrest Place Condominiums 3 units Alki Juice & Java - Now closed, ground floor Angel Nails - Nail salon, ground floor
- 9 Bayview Condominiums 9 units
- 10 Markus Place Condominium 5 units



4 SEA BIRD CONDOMINIUMS





8/9 MIXED USE BUILDINGS



6 MARINATION MA KAI





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5 HARBOR LANDING CONDOMINIUMS





VIEW FROM HAMILTON PARK This is view 1 from the map above.

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ALKI TRAIL

PEDESTRIAN ROUTES & PUBLIC LIFE

The area surrounding the project site has the potential to offer plenty to pedestrians. Currently, the site has a walk score of 32, OK - Car Dependent. The Alki Trail rounds the tip of West Seattle, connecting Seacrest Park with Luna Park and beyond. A number of smaller trails exist throughout Seacrest Park, tying together a handful of scenic overlooks. California Way SW provides a less formalized route for walkers and cyclists looking to move between the waterfront and the upper residential area of West Seattle. At the top of the hill, Hamilton Park provides a wide-angle view of the Seattle skyline, Elliot Bay, and the Olympic Mountains beyond.

SHORTCUTS

For pedestrians looking to shortcut California Way's gradual slope down the hillside, there exist two worn foot paths down the hillside:

GROUND LEVEL COMMERCIAL

A few commercial amenities exist at ground level for pedestrians travelling along Harbor Avenue SW, but for the most part the west side of the road with its back against the hill is home to large multi-family housing blocks. Ground floor retail and restaurants, with appropriately scaled commercial bases, could make the area more walkable and accommodating for pedestrians.



WORN FOOTPATH

• a short foot path exists at the southern end of California Way SW, where walkers have cut the corner of the hillside's large switchback and • a much steeper, longer trail has been carved through a vegetated part of the slope further north, near Marshall Reserve.

These foot paths are quite steep, and, under inclement weather conditions, can be somewhat treacherous. While they are decidedly not pedestrian friendly, they do seem to suggest that a more accessible connection, such as an outdoor public stairway between California Way SW and Harbor Avenue SW, would be desirable.



ZONING

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SHORELINE DISTRICT





ZONING CODE ANALYSIS

MH project #1321

Seattle Zoning Code Analysis

March 21, 2014

DPD Project Nos. :	3015628, 6374794
Project Addresses:	1315, 1317, 1319, 1321, 1323 Harbor Avenue S.W.
Zoning:	NC2-65' (Neighborhood Commercial)
Total Lot Area:	13,012 square feet
Project Address:	1311Harbor Avenue S.W.
Zoning:	MR (Multi-family)
Total Lot Area:	1550 square feet

Project Addresses: 1307 Harbor Avenue S.W.

	1312 California Way S.W.	
Zoning:	Split Zoning: MR (Multi-family) / SF7200 (Single Family)	
Total Lot Area:	MR=5895 square feet, SF7200 = 565 Square feet	

general			
zoning	north	MR (Multi-family)	
adjacent to	east	N/A (Puget Sound)	
site	south	NC2-65' (Neighborhood Commercial)	
	west	SF7200 (Single Family)	
zoning		Alki Area Parking Overlay	
overlays		Archeological Buffer Area	
		California Way SW and Harbor Avenue SW - designated Scenic Routes	
critical areas		Shoreline Setback	
		ECA - Steep Slope / Liquefaction Zone	
code section	subject	code language	
23.45	Multi-Family (MR)		
23.45.504	Permitted and	Residential, permitted	
	prohibited uses	Ground Floor Commercial, permitted subject to 23.45.504.E	
23.45.504.E.2	Ground Floor	The following uses are permitted per 23.45.532:	
	Commercial use	Business support services; General sales and services; Offices; Restaurants, etc.	
23.45.510	Floor area ratio	Base FAR = 3.2	
	(FAR) limits	• Allowable = Site area in MR, 7445sf x 3.2 = 23,824sf	
		• Proposed = 19,435sf, FAR = 2.6	
23.45.514.B	Structure Height	Base height limit = 60 feet	
23.45.514.G.3	Height increase	In MR zones, the base height limit is increased by 5 feet if the number of storiesdoes	
		not exceed six, and(3.) the lot is split between a MR zone and an NC zone, and the	
		base structure height allowed in the NC-zoned portion is 65 feet or more.	
23.45.514.J.5	Rooftop features	The following may extend 15 feet above the applicable height limitif the combined	
201101021000		total coverage does not exceed 20 percent of the roof area, or 25 percent of the roof	
		area if the total includes screened mechanical equipment: Stair penthouses; mechanical	
		equipment; penthouse pavilions for the common use of residents; greenhouses and	
		solariums	
23.45.514.J.8	Protect solar	Locate rooftop features at least 10 feet from the north edge of the roof, or provide	
	access	shadow diagrams	
23.45.518.B	Setbacks and	Front and side setback from street lot lines:	
	Separations		

		- 7 foot ave
		No setback is requi
		- A minimu
		frontage
		- A minimu
		Side Setback from i
		- Portion o
		- Above 42
		DEPARTURE R
23.45.518.J	Structures in	4. underground stru
	required setbacks	
23.45.522.C	Amenity Area	Amount of amenity
		structure in resider
23.45.522.D	Amenity Area	2. Enclosed amenit
		b. In MR zones
		this enclosed are
23.45.522.D	General	1. All units shall hav
	Requirements	2. no more than 50
		5. no common ame
		horizontal dimensio
		protection, etc
23.45.524	Landscaping	A.2. Green Factor o
	standards	B.1. Street trees red
23.45.532.A.1	Standards for	On sloping lots, the
	ground floor	structure as long as
	commercial uses in MR and HR zones	structure's footprin
23.45.532.A.2	Ground floor	The maximum size
23.45.532.A.2	Commercial	The maximum size
23.45.532.A.3	Ground floor	Vonts for vonting o
25.45.552.A.5	Commercial	Vents for venting o finished sidewalk g
	commercial	of the vent.
		or the vent.
23.45.534	Light and glare	To prevent vehicle
	standards	areas for more than
		and 6 feet in height
23.45.536A	Parking location,	Off-street parking s
20.10.0007	access, and	standards for acces
	screening	
23.45.536B	Location of parking	2. Surface parking
		a. betwe
		b. in the
		c. within
		3. Parking in a stru
		provided that no po
		grade, whichever is
		floor of the structu
		4. On a through lot
		line. The front setb
		Director based on t

verage setback; 5 foot minimum setback

- uired if a courtyard abuts the street and the courtyard has:
- num width equal to 30 percent of the width of the abutting street ge or 20 feet, whichever is greater;
- num depth of 20 feet...from the lot line

n interior lot line: of structure 42 feet or less: 7 foot average, 5 foot minimum 42 feet: 10 foot average setback; 7 foot minimum

REQUIRED

tructures are permitted in any setback

ity area in MR is equal to 5 percent of the total gross floor area of a ential use.

nity area.

is no more than 50 percent of the amenity area may be enclosed, and area shall be provided as common amenity area.

have access to a common or private amenity area

50 percent of the amenity area may be enclosed

nenity area shall be less than 250 square feet in area, minimum

sion of 10 feet and shall have seating, exterior lighting, weather

r of 0.5 or better required...

required...

he commercial use may be located at more than one level within the as the floor area in commercial use does not exceed the area of the rint.

e of use of any one business establishment is 4000 square feet...

of odors...and other similar devises, shall be at least 10 feet above grade, and directed away fromfrom residential uses within 50 feet

e lights from affecting adjacent properties, driveways and parking an two vehicles shall be screened...by a fence or wall between 5 feet ht.

g spaces are required per Chapter 23.54, Quantity and design ess and off-street parking.

g may be located anywhere on a lot except:

veen a principal structure and a street lot line;

e required front setback or side street side setback; and in 7 feet of any street lot line.

ructure. Parking may be located in a structure or under a structure, portion of a garage that is higher than 4 feet above existing or finished is lower, shall be closer to a street lot line than any part of the first ture in which it is located;

ot, parking may be located between the structure and one front lot back in which the parking may be located will be determined by the of the prevailing character and setback patterns of the block.

22 AE E26D	Screening of	D. Scrooning of parking
25.45.5500	3.45.536D Screening of D. Screening of parking D. Screening of parking 1. Parking shall be screened from direct street view by the street facing	
	purking	structure, by garage doors, or by a fence or wall.
		 Screening by a fence or wall. If screening is provided by a fence or wall, the fence or
		wall shall not be located within any required sight triangle, and shall meet the following
		conditions:
		a. the fence or wall shall be at least 3 feet tall measured from the elevation
		of the curb, or from the elevation of the street if no curb is present. If the
		elevation of the ground at the base of the fence or wall is higher than the
		finished elevation of the parking surface, the difference in elevation may be
		measured as a portion of the required height of the screen, so long as the
		fence or wall is a minimum of 3 feet in height. If located in a setback, the
		fence or wall shall meet the requirements of subsection 23.45.518.J.7.
		b. the fence or wall shall be set back at least 3 feet from the lot line.
		3. Screening by garage doors. If parking is provided in a garage in or attached to a
		principal structure and garage door(s) face a street, the garage door(s) may be no more
		than 75 square feet in area.
		E. Other provisions. Garage doors in LR zones and MR zones facing the street shall be
		set back at least 15 feet from the street lot line, and shall be no closer to the street lot
		line than the street-facing facade of the structure.
		DEPARTURE REQUIRED
23.47A	Commercial	
23.47A.004	Permitted and	C.2.b Restaurants = permitted, limited to 25k sf
23.477.004	prohibited uses	C.5 Laboratories, Research and development, permitted, 25k sf
	promoteo ases	C.8 Offices, permitted to 25k sf
		C.10 Sales and Services, general, permitted to 25k sf
		G.1 Manufacturing, light, permitted to 10k sf
		J.1 Residential, permitted
23.47A.005	Street-level uses	In all NC zones, residential uses may occupy no more than 20% of the street-level
		street-facing façade.
23.47A.008	Street-level	Blank segments of the street-facing facade may not exceed 20'
	development	60% of the façade between 2-8' above the sidewalk shall be transparent
	standards	Non-residential use @ street level. Minimum of 13'-0" floor to floor.
		Height / depth provisions: Non-residential uses shall extend an average depth of at
		least 30 feet and a minimum depth of 15 feet from the street-level street-facing façade.
23.47A.012	Structure height	Base height limit = 65 feet
23.47A.012.C.	Rooftop features	may extend up to 15 feet above the applicable height limit, as long as the combined
4		total coverage of all features gaining additional height does not exceed 20 percent of
		the roof area, or 25 percentif the total includes stair or elevator penthouses or
		screened mechanical equipment:
		b. mechanical equipment
		f. stair and elevator penthouses
23.47A.012.C.	Setbacks	Rooftop features listed here shall be located at least 10 feet from the north edge of
7		roof
22.47.245		b. planters; c. clerestories; d. greenhouses and solariums; g. play equipment
23.47A.013	Floor area ratio	Per Table A, total permitted for all uses within a mixed-use structure:
		Base FAR = 4.75
		• Allowable FAR = 13,012sf * 4.75 = 61,807sf
		• Proposed = 44,006sf, FAR = 3.4
23.47A.015	View Corridors	On lots that are partially within the Shoreline District, a view corridor shall be required
23.47A.015	View Corridors	On lots that are partially within the Shoreline District, a view corridor shall be required for the entire lot if the portion of the lot in the Shoreline District is required to provide
23.47A.015	View Corridors	for the entire lot if the portion of the lot in the Shoreline District is required to provide
23.47A.015 23.47A.16	View Corridors Landscaping and	
		for the entire lot if the portion of the lot in the Shoreline District is required to provide a view corridor under the Seattle Shoreline Master Program.

23.47A.16.D.1	Landscaping req. for surface parking	 20 – 50 spaces require 18S 1. Each landscaped enclosed by pern 2. No part of a land except those par parking spaces. 3. No parking space b. One tree is required for c. Screening 1) Three-foot-high screeni 2) Surface parking abutting 6-foot-high screening along inside the screening (see E)
23.47A.16.E	Parking screening	Breaks in required screenir Breaks in required screenir permitted curb cuts.
23.47A.022	Light and glare standards	Exterior Lighting must be s
23.47A.024	Amenity area	Required in an amount equ Residential area Amenity Areas shall meet t 2. amenity areas 4. 10 foot min dir
23.47A.030	Required parking and loading	Parking per 23.54.015 and
23.47A.032B	Location of Parking	 a. Parking shall not A for 23.47A.032 b. Within a structur street-facing face apply to access to c. Parking to the sic (Exhibit B for 23.
23.47A.032.G	Parking Screening	Parking shall be screened a
23.54.030	Parking space standa	ards
23.54.030.B.1 .b 23.54.030.B.1 .d	Residential Uses	When more than five parki striped for medium vehicle The minimum vehicle clear and there shall be at least inches in height for all park
23.54.030.B.2 .c	Nonresidential uses	units and for all principal u When 20 or more parking s striped for small vehicles of 35 percent shall be strip

SF / parking space

d area shall be no smaller than 100 square feet and must be manent curbs or structural barriers.

dscaped area shall be less than 4 feet in width or length arts of landscaped areas created by turning radii or angles of

ce shall be more than 60 feet from a required landscaped area. or every ten parking spaces.

ning is required along street lot lines.

ng or across an alley from a lot in a residential zone must have ng the abutting lot line and a 5-foot-deep landscaped area Exhibit A for 23.47A.016.

ing are permitted to provide pedestrian and vehicular access. ing for vehicular access shall not exceed the width of

shielded and directed away from adjacent uses.

qual to 5 percent of total gross floor area in residential use. a = 13,995sf * 0.05 = 700sf : the following standards: s shall not be enclosed lim and total area not less than 250sf

d loading per 23.54.035.

t be located between a structure and a street lot line (Exhibit 2).

ure, street-level parking shall be separated from street-level, cades by another permitted use. This requirement does not to parking meeting the standards of subsection 23.47A.032.A. ide of a structure shall not exceed 60 feet of street frontage 3.47A.032).

RED

according to the provisions of Section 23.47A.016.

king spaces are provided, a minimum of 60 percent must be les. 40 percent may be striped for any size...

arance shall be at least 6 feet 9 inches on at least one floor, t one direct entrance from the street that is at least 6 feet 9 rking garages accessory to non-residential uses and live-work use parking garages.

spaces are provided, a minimum of 35 percent shall be ...maximum of 65 percent shall be striped for small...minimum ped for large vehicles.

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Driveways	Driveway requirements for residential and nonresidential uses are described below. When a driveway is used for both residential and nonresidential parking, it shall meet the standards for nonresidential uses described in subsection 23.54.030.D.2	
Width	Driveways of any length that serve more than 30 parking spaces shall be at least 10 feet wide for one-way traffic and at least 20 feet wide for two-way traffic.	
Width	For one-way is 12 feet, two way 22 feet, maximum width shall be 25 feet.	
Slope	Not to exceed 15%	
Aisles	90 degrees to spaces, stall length 19 = 24 foot aisle; 16 foot stall length = 22 foot aisle; 15 foot stall length = 20 foot aisle.	
Curb cuts	We would be allowed up to 3 curb cuts per table A	
Max width	23 feet on arterials	
Site triangle	Driveways less than 22 feet wide, triangle required on both sidesdriveways more than 22 feet wide, triangle required on exit side only.	
	DEPARTURE REQUIRED	
Solid waste and recy	clable materials storage and access	
	Mixed use development that contains both residential and nonresidential uses shall	
-	meet the storage space requirements shown in Table A for 23.54.040 for residential	
	development, plus 50 percent of the requirement for nonresidential development. In	
	mixed use developments, storage space for garbage may be shared between residential	
	and nonresidential uses, but separate spaces for recycling shall be provided.	
	16 – 25 dwelling units = 225sf	
	15,001-50,000sf nonresid. = 175sf/2 = 88sf + 225sf = 314sf required.	
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SITE OPPORTUNITIES AND CONSTRAINTS

OPPORTUNITIES & ADVANTAGES

- Upper building levels will have significant eastern views out over the water and western views of forested hillside.
- Narrow site enables many spaces to enjoy both east and west views. •
- Good solar access to the east. Harness morning sun to warm the building • during heating months.
- Limited heat gain from narrow south elevation and shaded west elevation.
- Existing residence in public right of way along California Avenue to be • removed. Native landscape to be restored.
- Potential for the development of a significant public stair climb amenity thru the • site connecting Harbor Avenue SW and California Way SW
- Easy access to pedestrian / bike pathways to and around Alki beaches •
- Project retail and restaurants will enliven the pedestrian experience along • Harbor Avenue SW.
- Good proximity to the water taxi dock and bus stop. •
- Shoreline setback creates view and deck opportunities at the SE corner of the building

CONSTRAINTS

- Steep slope to the west limits buildable area. •
- Parking at Don Armeni Boat Ramp detracts from views •
- Shoreline setback limits maximizing allowable F.A.R. .
- Harbor Avenue SW is busy thoroughfare that creates noise
- California Way SW is a busy street favoring vehicles over pedestrians. •







SEATTLE WEATHER DATA

- Afternoons, June thru October most favorable for natural ventilation
- Peak seasonal temperatures tend to occur in August late in the afternoon. •
- Part of the reason for Seattle's moderate climate is because the highest • humidity levels occur in the cooler months. The hotter months tend to have lower humidity.



BUILDING SHADOW ANALYSIS

Narrative referring to 'Shadows on Open Spaces' SML 25.09.678.Q



SUMMER SOLSTICE



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WINTER SOLSTICE

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SITE CONTEXT & ANALYSIS 1.0





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SITE PANORAMAS



VIEW FROM HILLTOP RESIDENCE This is view 3 on the map on page 11.



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CALIFORNIA WAY SW



VIEW LOOKING EAST TOWARDS PROJECT SITE

PROJECT SITE



VIEW LOOKING WEST AWAY FROM PROJECT SITE

PROJECT SITE



HARBOR AVENUE SW



VIEW LOOKING WEST TOWARDS PROJECT SITE

PROJECT SITE



VIEW LOOKING EAST AWAY FROM PROJECT SITE

PROJECT SITE



SKYLINE AND HILLSIDE

Creating connections between the two, both for building occupants and passers-by, is a major focus of the design concept.



EARLY CONCEPT SKETCH



EXISTING BUILDINGS ON HARBOR AVENUE SW The pedestrian experience along Harbor Avenue SW will be improved with the addition of retail storefronts, repaved sidewalk, and new street plantings.

CONTEXT AND SITE CSI. NATURAL SYSTEMS AND SITE FEATURES

B. SUNLIGHT AND NATURAL VENTILATION

- The long north south orientation of the site and steeply sloping hillside encroachment from the west limit the buildable area to a long north south bar with eastern exposure.
- The project will utilize this eastern exposure to its benefit and harness early morning sun to warm the building in heating months. In cooling months internal blinds will be employed to reflect heat gain.
- The west facade of the building will benefit from the existing heavy deciduous tree canopy which will block the majority of late afternoon solar exposure in summer. In winter, with the leaves down the project will benefit from any afternoon sun.
- To take advantage of the project's proximity to Elliott Bay the design recognizes the potential for natural through ventilation. All occupiable spaces in the building will have operable windows and large door openings on both the east and west facades to promote passive ventilation when appropriate.

C. TOPOGRAPHY

The project is embracing the hillside and includes a publicly accessible stair-climb connecting California Way SW to Harbor Avenue SW through a large breezeway through the building. To take advantage of topography, a broad publicly accessible stair climbs up through the breezeway providing access to second floor commercial space.

D. PLANTS AND HABITAT

- Preserving existing trees and habitat on the undeveloped west portion of the property.
- In limited areas, previously disturbed by construction, plantings will be restored with native species.

E. WATER

· A two-story high water feature in the breezeway will be a continuous waterfall which will mute the sounds of street traffic and act as a natural northwest forest stream ambiance

CS2. URBAN PATTERN AND FORM

A. LOCATION IN THE CITY AND THE NEIGHBORHOOD

1. SENSE OF PLACE

- The design team early on recognized the importance of the lush, verdant hillside as a compliment to broad city skyline views. The design team believes that in order to establish a true sense of place on this site, one should be able to appreciate both the forest and city simultaneously. To that end, all office and residential uses have a dual exposure. All public spaces have a strong to connection to both hillside and skyline as well. The breezeway and stair-climb literally bring the hillside—and the public experience of the hillside—right through the building to Harbor Avenue.
- . The process of descending the stair and moving through the building with ever expanding skyline views provides a dramatic and memorable passage from the forest to the water's edge.

2. ARCHITECTURAL PRESENCE

- fiberglass window system.

B. ADJACENT SITES. STREETS. AND OPEN SPACES

I. SITE CHARACTERISTICS

of the building is set back.

2. CONNECTION TO THE STREET

The design team wanted the project to be an experience not just an object. The owner wanted to welcome the neighbors, not exclude them.

The design team recognized the potential for a unique architectural presence on this site. The street is lined with buildings on one side only, with an undeniable orientation towards the city skyline. The city block does not exist in its typical form here: the neighborhood is more a string of pearls along the water's edge than a gridded urban or suburban layout. The project strives to maintain a strong street edge and urban character on either side of the breezeway hill climb. Upper floor restaurant and office spaces are setback from the primary facade to allow for landscape screening and facade modulation.

The project will also utilize high quality materials. Cast in place concrete walls. Integral color fiber cement rain screen siding and aluminum storefront are proposed wherever the lower three floors of the project engage with the street edge. The upper level block of apartments will be clad in prefinished metal panel and high performance, triple glazed

• While the design team is not able to take advantage of the triangular shape of the site due to ECA steep slope regulations, we have been able to take advantage of the two hundred foot shoreline setback mandated by the Shoreline Master Plan. This setback applies to portions of buildings thirty feet or more above grade within the setback area. This setback pushes the upper four floors back approximately forty feet at the south property line and extends to the north approximately eighty feet. The triangular setback provides an opportunity for a large roof deck that takes advantage of the view and, when connected to the breezeway via a third floor setback, effectively splits the project massing into two corresponding yet offset bars. These bars remain flush to the property line while the rest

Harbor Avenue is a fairly high-speed arterial with one northbound and one southbound vehicular lane with bike 'sharrows' painted in both directions and parallel parking on both sides of the street. The Don Armeni Boat Ramp and Park are located east of Harbor Avenue and the typical sidewalk has been replaced with the ten foot wide Alki Trail bike and pedestrian path. A crosswalk is located just south of our site and the Dan Armeni parking lot where the park green space connects with the Alki Trail.

While the Alki Trail and waterfront are considered by the design team to be attractive amenities, the boat ramp parking and high-speed nature of Harbor Drive are not. These two factors drove the desire to: one, lift the restaurant to the second floor, and two, provide the third floor landscaped setback for offices.

The sidewalk in front of the project site was originally a six foot wide concrete surface separated from the property line by a two foot planting strip and the curb by a four foot planting strip. Subsequent to the fire and demolition of the 'Embers' nightclub in 2003, the sidewalk and supporting soils have slid into what was the basement of the building. For this reason a temporary asphalt sidewalk has been poured out at the face of curb

and chain link fence built to keep pedestrians from falling into the site. The project will restore the grade within the right of way and restore the sidewalk per SDOT standards in its intended location with planting strip in front of the building with street trees per city arborist.

- While retail storefronts provide a strong connection to the street for the majority of the ground plane, the strongest connection to the street occurs where the breezeway breaks the building massing, bringing the hillside and pedestrian hill climb through to the sidewalk.
- There are numerous landscaped decks on multiple levels from which occupants can engage the street and the view.

3. CHARACTER OF OPEN SPACE

· We have two primary types of open space on the project. Public open space is within and adjacent to the breezeway hill climb. These spaces are heavily influenced by the character of the forested hillside and transition into restaurant outdoor open spaces which are very much oriented toward the skyline views. The second type of open space in the project are private residential and office amenity spaces. These areas are carefully screened and separated from the public areas with a combination of parapets, screen walls and landscaping.

C. RELATIONSHIP TO THE BLOCK

2 MID-RI OCK SITES

 The project draws inspiration and proportion from the long linear character of adjacent buildings but then reduces the scale and composes the resulting forms, or 'bars,' in a dynamic way.

D. HEIGHT. BULK. AND SCALE

1. EXISTING DEVELOPMENT AND ZONING

- Review of the height, bulk and scale of neighboring buildings reveals a real variety of scales, from numerous single family bungalows and beach shacks, to large apartment, condominium and multi-use buildings.
- The one unifying characteristic, due no doubt to the extraordinary views and proximity to water, is a ubiquity of decks.
- The hillside behind rises approximately two hundred feet, so zoning heights are well below . the height necessary to impact views from the single-family zoned neighborhood above.

2. EXISTING SITE FEATURES

- The site is split into a relatively flat, lower rectangular area of approximately 230 feet in length and 62 feet in width (corresponding to the proposed footprint of the project) and an uplands portion of the site which is in a triangular configuration extending up the hill to the California Way SW right of way. The grades on the lower portion are at a relatively level elevation of 16 feet along the Harbor Avenue SW property line and up about one story to an elevation of approximately 24 feet against the hillside. The steeply sloping upland triangular portion of the site slopes at about a 1:1 slope to elevation 32 at the southwest corner and elevation 53 feet at the northwest corner.
- Due to limitations regarding building on the ECA steep slope portion of the site, the entirety of the massing has been located on the lower flat portion of the site. The heavily wooded hillside helps to screen the lowlands development from the residential above.
- The flat portion of the site has two single family bungalows at the north end of the site and two two-story commercial structures at the south end. Additionally, there is a single family nonconforming structure that is built about half into the upland portion of the site and half into the California Way SW right of way. There are a small number of related retaining walls

in disrepair. All structures will be demolished.

3. ZONE TRANSITIONS

- The project site is comprised of multiple parcels of land. The four northern parcels fall within a MR Multi-family zone and the five parcels to the south fall within a NC-2 65 zone. The most significant difference between zones is with regard to required yards. In the MR zone front, side and rear yards are required while the NC-2 zone does not. Allowable height in the MR zone is 60 feet but can be extended to 65 feet per 23.45.514.G.3, which makes it equal to the NC zone.
- The result is that, with the exception of allowable use and required yards, the zoning is effectively the same. Front yard exceptions are provided for the code and will be described further below.

4 MASSING CHOICES

In the MR zone we are providing a 10 foot side yard setback (3 feet wider than the required 7 foot minimum below 42'-0"). We are requesting a departure from the provision that 'no structures can be built in the required yard' in order to provide enclosure of the garage access ramp. This will additionally allow us to structurally carry the upper floors and to provide a landscaped roof garden to visually screen the garage ramp and buffer the sounds vehicles of entering and exiting the garage. While the neighboring building to the north does have windows on the upper floors, the ground floor yard is utilized only for a driveway and garage door.

5. RESPECT FOR ADJACENT SITES

- We are not proposing any windows or balconies other than for bedroom uses on the north facade, and are proposing a landscaped roof planted to screen the garage ramp and access to the trash and recycling dumpster area.
- The proposed relationship to the south neighbor is simply a 30-foot high wall, approximately the existing condition, with the bulk of the height held to rear third of the property line.
- The proposed 30-foot high podium picks up on and carries the cornice line of the building to our south through the site.
- . The rhythm of the storefront bays has been derived from the bay spacing on the neighbor to the south.

CS3. ARCHITECTURAL CHARACTER AND CONTEXT

A. EMPHASIZING POSITIVE NEIGHBORHOOD ATTRIBUTES

I. FITTING OLD AND NEW TOGETHER

 Existing structures on site—two flat roof commercial buildings to the south and three pitched roofs, at approximately 4:12 pitch, to the north.

2. CONTEMPORARY DESIGN

The design team early on placed a priority on contemporary design that drew formal influence and a sense of scale from the context.

3. ESTABLISHED NEIGHBORHOODS

 The design team undertook a thorough analysis of the neighborhood context, including existing structures, uses, businesses, public transportation, zoning, and more. That research (much of which is presented in this document) has played a significant role in





PUBLIC STAIR INSPIRATION

A grand public stair with integrated seating will be a place for building passers-by to stop for a break, for patrons of the building's restaurant to sit, and for building occupants and residents to get together.



EARLY BREEZEWAY CONCEPT SKETCH

A breezeway and public stair connecting California Way SW to Harbor Avenue SW will create pedestrian-friendly open spaces and allow for new views of both skyline and forested hillside



FORMER ALKI TAVERN



HILLSIDE VIEWING PLATFORM INSPIRATION Along the stair which will ascend the hillside an enlarged landing or platform will be created where pedestrians can stop and take in new perspectives of the surrounding hillside and views back to the sound. shaping the proposed building and its strategy for integrating into the local community.

4. EVOLVING NEIGHBORHOODS

 The downtown Seattle waterfront is undergoing unparalleled change and reinvention. Seattle is poised to become one of the great waterfronts cities in the world. We see the West Seattle waterfront becoming an increasingly important component of the greater Seattle waterfront renaissance. To that end, the buildings there need to reflect the international stature that Seattle represents in the Pacific Rim of nations.

B. LOCAL HISTORY AND CULTURE

1 PLACEMAKING

 Careful research into the history of the site yielded very little beyond the popularity of the Alki Tavern.

PUBLIC LIFE PLI. OPEN SPACE CONNECTIVITY

A. NETWORK OF OPEN SPACES

I. ENHANCING OPEN SPACE

- · The design team came to focus on the need for a through block connection.
- By allowing pedestrians that want to walk from the top of West Seattle to Alki point to shortcut through the proposed breezeway and hill-climb, 1600 feet of this journey, or about 5 minutes walk time, are shaved from taking the long way around on the street.
- Better connection between Hamilton Viewpoint Park and the Alki Trail and Duwamish Head overlook pier.
- Just south of the Harbor Landing Condominiums can be found a well-worn footpath that pedestrians use to shortcut the last few hundred feet of California Way SW, but it is steep and slippery when wet.

2. ADDING TO PUBLIC LIFE

- The design team decided early on that we did not want to build an impenetrable fortress but rather a building that welcomed the public in, a building that was receptive and engaging, providing public uses such as retail, restaurants and coffee shops that would make the building an attractive place to be not only for the tenants and occupants of the building but the community as a whole.
- The breezeway hill climb adds to Seattle's rich network of 85 outdoor public stairways that people seek out for adventure and exercise.
- This project strives to be a contributing member of the community.

B. WALKWAYS AND CONNECTIONS

1. PEDESTRIAN INFRASTRUCTURE

See discussion above.

2. PEDESTRIAN VOLUMES

 We are proposing a 6 foot wide stair along the upper portion of the hill climb, equal to the sidewalk along California Way SW, and a much wider stair incorporated through the breezeway space with seating steps incorporated into it and circulation steps equal to the width of the sidewalk on Harbor Avenue SW.

3. PEDESTRIAN AMENITIES

PL2. WALKABILITY

A. ACCESSIBILITY

2. ACCESS CHALLENGES

B. SAFETY AND SECURITY

1. EYES ON THE STREET

2. LIGHTING FOR SAFETY

pedestrians.

3. STREET LEVEL TRANSPARENCY

for views in the opposite direction.

C. WEATHER PROTECTION

- I. LOCATIONS AND COVERAGE lobbies.
- .

· We have carefully separated the service entry points of the building from the public pedestrian breezeway hill-climb. Office uses on the upper levels will require more deliveries. This entrance has been pushed to south end of the building so that service calls do not detract from the quality of the pedestrian environment. The vehicular entry has been separated from the breezeway by a coffee shop retail space. The trash and recycling dumpster path has been pushed as far from the breezeway as possible. The breezeway hill-climb will have carefully designed lighting to ensure safety and visibility at night, and a water feature to buffer road noise and careful landscape integration with the hillside forest.

 There are a number of worn footpaths along the hillside between the two roads, evidence of a desire to shortcut the long switchback of California Way SW.

The public breezeway and hillside stair have the potential to create a major pedestrianfriendly through-block connection between California Way SW and Harbor Avenue SW. A public passage through the building and up the hillside would not only provide ample seating, covered areas, and unique views of hillside and skyline, but would also contribute to Seattle's growing network of grand, publicly accessible waterfront stairs.

 The design team decided early on that the building would have a public-oriented street presence. Ground level uses include a large retail establishment, a cafe, and a restaurant. The entrances to these uses are all adjacent to the breezeway, while the office entrance and parking garage door are pushed to the north and south ends of the site. Aggregating most of the commercial uses and public entries at the breezeway creates a

public zone in that area and enhances a sense of shared space that is watched over by the commercial tenants and their patrons.

The breezeway and public hillside stair will be illuminated to designate the entry into the building, to allow for safe egress in case of fire, and to create a safe environment for

 Large glass storefronts along Harbor Avenue SW wrap into the breezeway, providing views into retail and restaurant spaces while also creating a safe environment by allowing

· Recessed entries are provided at all commercial uses as well as at apartment and office

The breezeway is unconditioned and open to the elements, but nevertheless provides a sizable amount of covered space that is freely accessible by the public.

DESIGN CONCEPT DCI. PROJECT USES AND ACTIVITIES

A. ARRANGEMENT OF INTERIOR USES

1. VISIBILITY

- The program components have been arranged throughout the building so that those dependent on public access are located along the sidewalk or vertically distributed along the breezeway. Along the Harbor Avenue sidewalk we have commercial retail spaces. At the breezeway, the south half remains at grade and serves as the apartment lobby and elevator access. The north half of the breezeway is a monumental stair that provides access to the restaurant space at level two and to the hill climb stair which leads up to California way beyond. The monumental stair is split evenly between circulation stair and seating steps to promote lingering and help define the breezeway as 'a place' and outdoor room to serve the interior adjacent spaces.
- South of the breezeway we have located another small retail storefront that is envisioned as a coffee shop. Breezeway seating steps wrap around become a resource for the coffee patrons. The stair was located on the north side of the breezeway to receive the maximum amount of morning sun.

2. GATHERING PLACES

- As discussed above, the breezeway serves as the primary gathering space for the project and offers a great alternative shortcut to the California Way SW switchback path.
- All commercial spaces in the building will benefit from close adjacency to the Alki trail and the hikers, bikers, runners, strollers and walkers; the Don Armeni Boat ramp and associated fishing and boating traffic; the water taxi and the divers that frequent Seacrest Park. We see the project becoming an integral component of the outdoor, active lifestyle associated with the West Seattle waterfront offering support and services.

3. FLEXIBILITY

 The two overlying zones offer challenges with regard to commercial in a residential zone. A key goal of the applicant owner has been a flexible core and shell building that can be easily modified over time to accommodate different uses.

B. VEHICULAR ACCESS AND CIRCULATION

I. ACCESS LOCATION AND DESIGN

· Access to the parking garage from California Way was considered but eliminated due to the significant grade change. The project includes two garage entries from Harbor Avenue, one at the north and one at the south.

2. FACILITIES FOR ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION

• While shared vehicles were considered none are anticipated at this time. Charging stations could be added to the project in the future. Ample bicycle parking will be provided in a dedicated bicycle storage room off the lobby and bicycle racks on the sidewalk in front of the building.

C. PARKING AND SERVICE USES

1. BELOW-GRADE PARKING

• All parking is located on the ground floor of the buildings and screened as much as

possible with other uses contained within the architecture. Approximately half of the parking is configured as stacked parking with mechanical lifts

2. VISUAL IMPACTS

- . We have minimized the visual impact of the parking garage entry as much as possible.
- · We are requesting a side yard setback departure in order to better screen views into the garage from neighbors to the north with a combination of structure and landscaped planters on a roof deck.
- The structure and planters will also serve to mitigate any noise and headlight glare associated with the garage and ramp.

4. SERVICE USES

- No loading docks are required per code.
- Trash and recycling dumpsters will be wheeled out through the parking garage entry to Harbor Avenue for collection. A solid panel on sliding barn door hardware will seal the dumpster area off from view when not in use. The door is located within the entry to the parking garage, so as not to be visible on the main street façade.

DC2. ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT

A. MASSING

I. SITE CHARACTERISTICS AND USES

- Priority was given to the public hill-climb and breezeway connection through the site. The apartment block was therefore lifted up as high as possible to allow street and breezeway-related functions to take advantage of adjacencies with one another. The apartments furthermore, benefit from separation from street noise, boat launch and other commercial activities.
- Retail storefronts obviously want to be on the sidewalk and locating manufacturing and . other office uses directly above provide the opportunity for internal connections if so desired in the future.

2. REDUCING PERCEIVED MASS

- The overall mass of the project has been reduced by breaking the overall volume into two dominant masses with a smaller third mass encompassing the parking garage and building services. All other areas are setback seven feet or more.
- The third floor roof deck on the south end further accentuates this recess by opening to the sky while the breezeway in the center punches all the way through the volume opening to the earth and bringing the hill-climb and landscape elements through.

B. ARCHITECTURAL AND FACADE COMPOSITION

1. FACADE COMPOSITION

 As described above, the design team has worked to maintain a well-proportioned facade on the waterside of the project. But no less important are the west hillside facade and end elevations. The hillside elevation will be mostly screened when the deciduous trees are leafed out but will be mostly visible in winter. Cantilevered exterior circulation balconies stretch most of the length of the facade but plans were adjusted to keep the balconies just short of full length. Compositionally this allows the strong verticals to bookend the facade. Keeping wind-driven rain from the balconies is accomplished with a perforated corrugated metal screen wall with a free open area of approximately 50%. This translucency will provide a veil-like quality. During daylight hours, the screen will appear somewhat opaque but at night, when lit from within, will glow and appear translucent. The corrugated profile







EARLY MASSING CONCEPT SKETCH

The building is composed of two primary volumes or "bars". A residential bar above and to the north and a commercial bar below and to the south. The design of each bar picks up on the rhythm of the structural bay spacing of their respective neighbors.



RESTAURANT INSPIRATION

The restaurant will be woody, warm and inviting, with views out to the water and accessible from the breezeway.



PROTOTYPING

The building will house offices and garment prototyping studios.



BUILDING TRANSPARENCY INSPIRATION

The breezeway (along with other architectural moments throughout the building) can frame views out over the water by creating transparency at certain key moments.

brings a texture and grain to the screen wall breaking down the overall scale.

- The south facade of the project will actually be fairly visible when traveling north on • California Way and has an elegant, slender profile due to the shoreline setback at the third floor roof terrace.
- The north façade is the most restrained due to the fact it will be the least visible due to the angle of California Way and height and bulk of the condominium building to the north Windows further break down the scale and provide relief at the apartments. No windows are proposed into commercial spaces except at the NE corner of the restaurant. Landscaping is proposed to screen the parking garage access ramp from the upper levels of the building to the north and enliven the north elevation at level two.

2. BLANK WALLS

 As described above, the design team has worked to minimize the occurrence of blank walls.

C. SECONDARY ARCHITECTURAL FEATURES

I. VISUAL DEPTH AND INTEREST

- As described above, the breezeway, third floor roof deck and recessed portions of the façade are all working toward the goal of visual depth and interest.
- Additionally, surface textures are planned. The cast-in-place concrete walls will have carefully coordinated form tie holes and form lines that will add scale and detail to these portions of the façade. The fiber cement panels have been carefully laid out so that full panels are used whenever possible. Exposed fasteners and open joints bring another level of scale, detail and pattern. The storefront glazing will include exposed pressure plates and fasteners which add a much needed layer of interest and detail to the typical two-inch aluminum storefront. We will also be exploring the idea of accentuating the operable windows within the storefront with complimentary colors or finishes to the base storefront.
- A bridge at level three between the office area and the restaurant mezzanine serves to further activate the breezeway.
- Warm-colored materials such as wood, or finely detailed finish materials, will be included in key places to add visual interest and draw visitors thru the public areas. One potential location is the main entry wall at the second level restaurant.

3. FIT WITH NEIGHBORING BUILDINGS

· As described on the previous page, the horizontal bars are derived from the proportions of building to the north and south. See concept sketch on previous page.

DC3. OPEN SPACE CONCEPT

A. BUILDING-OPEN SPACE RELATIONSHIP

1. INTERIOR/EXTERIOR FIT

 One of our highest priorities on this project has been the strength of the interior-exterior relationship and an embrace of the site.

B. OPEN SPACE USES AND ACTIVITIES

1. MEETING USER NEEDS

• We are providing a broad stair, not only for circulation, but with integral seating steps so that the breezeway becomes a place for people to gather.

- areas.

2. MATCHING USES TO CONDITIONS

direct sun it will receive.

3. CONNECTIONS TO OTHER OPEN SPACE

4. MULTIFAMILY OPEN SPACE

C. DESIGN

2. AMENITIES AND FEATURES

3. SUPPORT NATURAL AREAS

sensitive slope.

A. BUILDING MATERIALS

1. EXTERIOR FINISH MATERIALS

walkways and the vehicle driveway.

2. AVOIDING GLARE

Along the hill-climb stair, landings and a view platform provide sequential views through the breezeway to the city skyline and Elliott Bay.

Roof terraces will landscaped and provide seating and weather protection in certain

The main stair in the breezeway was located on the north wall to maximize the amount of

• The hill climb stair and breezeway connect the waterfront parks and trails with the parks, trails and open space on top of the hill.

The outdoor restaurant seating at level 2 was located adjacent to the breezeway to directly connect with the café and outdoor seating on level 1.

The multifamily open space at the roof terrace will be located adjacent to an enclosed pavilion for year-round uses. A portion of the outdoor space will be partially covered for three season use and the remaining portion left uncovered to be used as weather permits. Planting boxes will provide residents with the opportunity to garden, BBQs and outdoor furniture provide opportunities to gather and relax.

• There will be a vertical water feature in the breezeway to help mitigate traffic sounds.

• The hill-climb and breezeway were envisioned so that building occupants, as well pedestrians, could better experience the natural hillside areas without harming the

• Exterior materials are envisioned to be durable, authentic and attractive--cast-in-place concrete where the buildings comes out of the earth, aluminum storefront windows, metal panel siding, wood siding at focal walls, and varied paving patterns at street level

We are requesting a side yard departure so that we can shield the adjacent multifamily building to the north from the glare from vehicles entering and exiting the garage.

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3.0 PLANS & ELEVATIONS







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PLANS & ELEVATIONS 3.0

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BREEZEWAY AT LEVEL 1

BREEZEWAY AT LEVEL 2

BREEZEWAY AT LEVEL 3

CALIFORNIA WAY



HILLCLIMB STAIR AT CALIFORNIA WAY



EAST ELEVATION: HARBOR AVENUE

- 1. CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE
- 2. LIGHT GREY INTEGRAL COLOR FIBER CEMENT PANEL
- 3. CORRUGATED METAL PANEL, SOLID ZINCALUME



1. CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE 2. LIGHT GREY INTEGRAL COLOR FIBER CEMENT PANEL 3. CORRUGATED METAL PANEL, SOLID ZINCALUME 4. CORRUGATED METAL PANEL, PERFORATED ZINCALUME 5. PROFILE METAL PANEL, SOLID MATTE BLACK


NORTH ELEVATION

SOUTH ELEVATION

- 1. CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE
- 2. LIGHT GREY INTEGRAL COLOR FIBER CEMENT PANEL
- 3. CORRUGATED METAL PANEL, SOLID ZINCALUME
- 4. CORRUGATED METAL PANEL, PERFORATED ZINCALUME
- 5. PROFILE METAL PANEL, SOLID MATTE BLACK
- 6. PROFILE METAL SCREEN, PERFORATED MATTE BLACK
- 7. ALUMINUM CURTAIN WALL
- 8. FIBERGLASS PUNCHED OPENINGS, BLACK
- 9. FIBERGLASS STOREFRONT, BLACK
- 10. FIBERGLASS PUNCHED OPENINGS, SILVER
- 11. FIBERGLASS STOREFRONT, SILVER
- 12. SPANDREL FLAT METAL PANEL, SILVER
- 13. SPANDREL FLAT METAL PANEL, BLACK
- 14. METAL LOUVERS, SILVER
- 15. METAL LOUVERS, BLACK
- 16. ALUMINUM AND GLASS GUARDRAIL
- 17. STEEL GUARDRAIL
- 18. ALUMINUM PARAPET RAILING
- 19. CLEAR SEALED GLULAM WOOD TREADS AND RISERS
- 20. CLEAR SEALED T&G WOOD SOFFIT
- 21. CLEAR SEALED T&G WOOD SIDING
- 22. OVERHEAD GARAGE DOOR, PERFORATED METAL



BREEZEWAY: LOOKING SOUTH

1. CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE 2. LIGHT GREY INTEGRAL COLOR FIBER CEMENT PANEL 3. CORRUGATED METAL PANEL, SOLID ZINCALUME 4. CORRUGATED METAL PANEL, PERFORATED ZINCALUME 5. PROFILE METAL PANEL, SOLID MATTE BLACK 6. PROFILE METAL SCREEN, PERFORATED MATTE BLACK 7. ALUMINUM CURTAIN WALL 8. FIBERGLASS PUNCHED OPENINGS, BLACK 9. FIBERGLASS STOREFRONT, BLACK 10. FIBERGLASS PUNCHED OPENINGS, SILVER 11. FIBERGLASS STOREFRONT, SILVER 12. SPANDREL FLAT METAL PANEL, SILVER 13. SPANDREL FLAT METAL PANEL, BLACK 14. METAL LOUVERS, SILVER 15. METAL LOUVERS, BLACK 16. ALUMINUM AND GLASS GUARDRAIL 17. STEEL GUARDRAIL 18. ALUMINUM PARAPET RAILING 19. CLEAR SEALED GLULAM WOOD TREADS AND RISERS 20. CLEAR SEALED T&G WOOD SOFFIT 21. CLEAR SEALED T&G WOOD SIDING





CONCEPT DESIGN: BREEZEWAY FROM HARBOR AVENUE

BUILDING AT PERMIT SUBMITTAL: BREEZEWAY FROM HARBOR AVENUE

PERSPECTIVE VIEWS 4.0



CONCEPT DESIGN: BUILDING FROM CALIFORNIA WAY



BUILDING AT PERMIT SUBMITTAL: HILLSIDE STAIRS TO BREEZEWAY





CONCEPT DESIGN: BUILDING FROM HARBOR AVENUE

BUILDING AT PERMIT SUBMITTAL: BUILDING ALONG HARBOR AVENUE

PERSPECTIVE VIEWS 4.0

5.0 MATERIALS & FINISHES



1. CAST IN PLACE CONCRETE



2. LIGHT GREY FIBER CEMENT PANEL CEMBONIT 967 GRANITE





3. SOLID METAL PANEL, ZINCALUME 4. PERFORATED METAL PANEL. ZINCALUME





5. SOLID MATTE BLACK METAL PROFILE PANELS 7. ALUMINUM CURTAIN WALL 6. PERFORATED MATTE BLACK METAL SCREEN CLEAR ANODIZED ALUMINUM FRAME PROFILE PANELS



8. BLACK FIBERGLASS PUNCHED OPENINGS 9. BLACK FIBERGLASS STOREFRONT



10. SILVER FIBERGLASS PUNCHED OPENINGS **11. SILVER FIBERGLASS STOREFRONT**



12. SILVER METAL SPANDREL PANELS POWDER COATED GREY METAL, EXT



13. BLACK FLAT METAL SPANDREL PANEL AEP SPAN MATTE BLACK METAL PANEL



16. CLEAR ANODIZED ALUMINUM 17. STEEL RAILING AND GLASS RAILING





18. ALUMINUM PARAPET RAILING



19. CLEAR SEALED GLULAM WOOD TREADS AND RISERS



3/4" T+G WESTERN RED CEDAR 20. CLEAR SEALED T&G WOOD SOFFIT 21. CLEAR SEALED T&G WOOD SIDING







LOUVERS TO MATCH FIBERGLASS OPENINGS 14.SILVER 15.BLACK



22. OVERHEAD GARAGE DOOR, PERFORATED RYTEC SPIRAL VT, GAL STL FRAME, ALUM SLATS

3/4. CORRUGATED PANELS





SOLID

PERFORATED





CEDAR ACCENT

PERFORATED SCREEN WALL



PERFORATED



PERFORATED AND SOLID PANELS

WINDOW AND SCREEN



MATERIALS & FINISHES 5.0

MATERIAL INSPIRATION



PERFORATED SCREEN WITH CEDAR ACCENT



PERFORATED AND SOLID PANELS

PERFORATED DETAIL



PERFORATED SCREEN SECTION

6.0 LANDSCAPE DESIGN



LANDSCAPE DESIGN CONCEPT

The Harbor Avenue Campus includes streetscape design, an arrival water feature integrated with the architecture, a rooftop terrace with amazing views towards the Seattle skyline, and a public pedestrian staircase with access through the site to provide a direct connection from upper West Seattle to the pedestrian trail system along Alki. The hillside adjacent to the public staircase has been restored with the removal of invasive plant species and the integration of native plants, nurse logs and vertical tree snags.

LEGEND

1	Pedestrian Oriented
2	Parking Garage Entr
3	Arrival Court & Wate
4	Level 2 Terrace
5	Raised Planters
6	Restaurant Seating
7	Wood Seat Steps
8	Level 3 Terrace
9	Public Pedestrian Co
10	Hillside Restoration I
11	Existing Trees To Re
12	Proposed Hillside Tr

Street Frontage

rance

er Feature

Corridor

Planting

Remain

rees

LANDSCAPE DESIGN CONCEPTS



NURSE LOG - HILLSIDE RESTORATION



UMBRELLA SEATING



TERRACE SEATING



HILLSIDE RESTORATION



TERRACE SEATING & ORNAMENTAL GRASSES



TERRACE SEATING



COR-TEN POTS





LANDSCAPE DESIGN 6.0

WOOD SEAT STEPS ADJACENT TO CONCRETE STAIRCASE

EMERSON BIKE RACK BY LANDSCAPE FORMS



SIGNAGE DESIGN CONCEPTS

1 CRAFTSMANSHIP



MIXED MATERIALS

CUT STEEL PLATE



MILL CUT WOOD

2 MATERIALITY



WEATHERED STEEL



GKEEN

PAINTER

RAW METAL AND WOOD



MILLED ALUMINUM

3 EXCITEMENT & COLOR



INFILL COLOR





LARGE LETTERING

conceptual signage plan 7.0



CUT STEEL PLATE



STEEL, WOOD AND CONCRETE

LIGHT AND COLOR

8.0 conceptual lighting plan



The exterior lighting is designed for simplicity, energy efficiency and maintainability. With the exception of the hill climb lighting, which is utilitarian with a slightly nautically theme, the exterior lighting relies on illuminated surfaces to accentuate the architecture and create opportunities for dramatic silhouettes. The water feature also provides an opportunity to create a colorful focal point through the use of color changing LED's. All luminaires will utilize LED technology to maximize energy

LIGHTING DESIGN CONCEPTS & FIXTURES



1 CONCEPT IMAGE: HILL CLIMB LIGHTING



CONCEPT RENDERING: PATHWAY LIGHTING ALONG HILL CLIMB



PROJECT RENDERING: LIT PATHWAY FROM CALIFORNIA STREET



2 PROJECT RENDERING: UPLIGHTING, BREEZEWAY PRIMARY FIXTURE







3 CONCEPT IMAGES: MAIN STAIRWAY STEP LIGHTING AND PATIO LIGHTING



PRIMARY FIXTURE





6 STAIRWAY ENTRY FIXTURE





7 CONCEPT IMAGE: EXTERIOR BUILDING ACCENT LIGHTING PROJECT RENDERING: UPLIGHTING ON HARBOR AVENUE FACADE PRIMARY FIXTURE

CONCEPTUAL LIGHTING PLAN 8.0



PRIMARY FIXTURE





	Zoning Code Reference	Requirement	Departure	Boar
1	Side Yard Setback SMC 23.45.518B M Zones Min. Setbacks per Table B Setback Location: North Side Occurs in Multifamily Residential Zone	For Portions Of Structures 42' High Or Less - 7 Foot Avg Setback; 5 Foot Min Setback	Provide Wall Along Property Line To Height Of 16'-4" And Planted Deck Above Northern Parking Garage Entrance.	The
2	FRONT YARD SETBACK: SMC 23.45.518B MR Zone Min. Setback per Table B Occurs in Multifamily Residential Zone	 7 Foot Avg Setback, 5 Foot Min Setback. No Setback Is Required If A Courtyard Abuts The Street Per Exhibit A For 23.45.518 And The Courtyard Has: 1. A Minimum Width Equal To 30% Of The Width Of The Abutting Street Frontage Or 20 Feet, Whichever Is Greater And 2 A Minimum Depth Of 20 Feet Measured From The Abutting Street Lot Line. 	In Lieu Of Courtyard Open To The Sky, The Project Proposes To Provide A 3- Story High Breezeway Through The Entire Structure Depth (62 Feet) Which Would Be Open To The Public And Provide Access Hillclimb Stair Between California Way Sw And Harbor Avenue Sw.	The The
3	SITE TRIANGLE: SMC 23.54.030 G Occurs in Multifamily Residential Zone	Two-Way Driveways, 22 Feet Wide Or More Require A Sight Triangle On The Exit Side Of The Drive	To Allow A Combination Of Safety Features (Including Pedestrian And Drive Warning Lights, Safety Mirrors, And Paving Changes At The Driveway) In Lieu Of Required Sight Triangle, Similar To The Exception Used In Downtown, Industrial And Commercial 1 & 2 Zones.	The Of T Befo Crea Prop Rem
4	SCREENING OF PARKING: 23.45.536D Occurs in Multifamily Residential Zone	Garage Door Size: Max. 75Sf Garage Door Area In "Mr" Zones	Provide A Garage Door That Satisfies The Screening Requirements While Also Allowing Enough Garage Door Area To Service A 2-Way, On-Grade Parking Area, And A Shared Solid Waste/ Recyclable Materials Room. Total Area Of Proposed Garage Door Is 263.8Sf.	The
5	SCREENING OF PARKING: 23.45.536D; Occurs in Multifamily Residential Zone	Minimum 15 Foot Setback Of Garage Doors In A "Mr" Zone.	Provide A Garage Door Along The Western Building Face Fronting Harbor Avenue And Allow A Combination Of Safety Features (Including Pedestrian And Drive Warning Lights, Safety Mirrors, And Paving Changes At The Driveway) In Lieu Of Required 15Ft. Garage Door Setback.	The Pren Shov
6	COMMERCIAL PARKING LOCATION: SMC 23.47A.032.B.1.b	Within A Structure, Street-Level Parking Shall Be Separated From Street- Level, Street Facing Facades By Another Permitted Use.	Allow Street Level Parking Directly Behind Street Facing Façade.	The

oard Response at EDG

he Board Indicated Preliminary Support For The Proposed Departure.

he Board Indicated Preliminary Support For The Departure, Depending On he Proposed Design Of The Breezeway / Hill Climb.

he Board Indicated Preliminary Support For The Departure But The Design of The Driveway Ramp Should Include A Level Landing Area For Vehicles efore They Enter The Sidewalk And Design The Edge Of The Garage To create Pedestrian Safety. (Note: Parking Layout Has Changed Since Edg roposal, Although The Garage Door Location Along Harbor Avenue temains The Same).

he Board Has Not Reviewed This Proposed Departure.

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he Board Has Not Reviewed This Proposed Departure.

9.0 DEPARTURE SUMMARY

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Zoning Code Reference	Requirement	Departure	Justification for Proposed Design Based on Design Guidelines	Referenced Design Guidelines
Side Yard Setback	For Portions Of Structures 42'	Provide Wall Along Property Line To Height		CS2-D-5. Respect For Adjacent Sites;
SMC 23.45.518B M Zones	High Or Less - 7 Foot Avg	Of 16'-4" And Planted Deck Above	The proposed design better achieves the goals of the Design Guidelines in a number of ways:	Dc4-C-2. Avoiding Glare; Dc1-C-4.
Min. Setbacks per Table B	Setback; 5 Foot Min Setback	Northern Parking Garage Entrance.	1. Screens views of the parking area, dumpsters and utility meters from our neighbors to the north. (CS2-D-5 Respect for Adjacent Sites).	Service Uses; DC2-A-2. Reducing
Setback Location: North Side			2. Screens glare from vehicles head lights from our neighbors to the north. (DC4-C-2 Avoiding Glare).	Perceived Mass; Dc2-C-3. Fit With
Occurs in Multifamily			3. Provides a better urban presence along Harbor Drive than an open drive with surface parking and building services. (DC1-C-4 Service Uses).	Neighboring Buildings;
Residential Zone			4. The structure within the setback helps break down the scale of the north end of the building (DC2-A-2 Reducing Perceived Mass) and the	
			landscaping provided on the roof complements the geometry of the architecture and improves views for neighbors and pedestrians along	
			California Way above (DC2-C-3 Fit with Neighboring Buildings).	







CODE COMPLIANT

PROPOSED DEPARTURE

LOCATION OF SIDE YARD ON SITE

Zoning Code Reference	Requirement	Departure	Justification for Proposed Design Based on Design Guidelines	Referenced Design Guidelines
FRONT YARD SETBACK:	7 Foot Avg Setback, 5 Foot Min	In Lieu Of Courtyard Open To The Sky, The	Front Yard Setback	CS1-C-1. Land Form; CS1-C-2.
SMC 23.45.518B MR Zone	Setback. No Setback Is Required	Project Proposes To Provide A 3-Story	The proposed design better achieves the goals of the Design Guidelines in a number of ways:	Elevation Changes; CS1-D-1. On-Site
Min. Setback per Table B	If A Courtyard Abuts The Street	High Breezeway Through The Entire	1. The breezeway and hill climb stair embrace the natural topography of the site and let it drive not only the experience of the project but the	Features; CS1-D-2. Off-Site Features;
Occurs in Multifamily	Per Exhibit A For 23.45.518 And	Structure Depth (62 Feet) Which Would Be	overall design of the massing. (CS1-C-1 Land Form and CS1-C-2 Elevation Changes).	DC3-C-3 Support Natural Areas; CS2-A
Residential Zone	The Courtyard Has:	Open To The Public And Provide Access	2. Instead of a courtyard that is simply open to the sky, the breezeway better connects the natural habitat on the hillside of the project with the view	1. Sense Of Place; Architectural
	1. A Minimum Width Equal To	Hillclimb Stair Between California Way Sw	side. (CS1-D-1 On-Site Features, CS1-D-2 Off-Site Features, DC3-C-3 Support Natural Areas).	Presence; PL2-C-3 People-Friendly
	30% Of The Width Of The Abutting	And Harbor Avenue Sw.	3. The breezeway and hill climb stairway create a distinct sense of place and by incorporating the foundations of the old house create a rich	Spaces; DC1-A-2 Gathering Places;
	Street Frontage Or 20 Feet,		historical narrative that further adds to the sense of place and creation of a unique identity. (CS2-A-1 Sense of Place, CS2-A-2 Architectural	PL1-B-1. Pedestrian Infrastructure; PI1-
	Whichever Is Greater And		Presence, PL2-C-3 People-Friendly Spaces and DC1-A-2 Gathering Places).	B-3. Pedestrian Amenities; Pl2-A-2.
	2 A Minimum Depth Of 20 Feet		4. The hill climb stair connects and strengthens two public pedestrian paths via an on-site pedestrian path and provides areas for rest, appreciation	Access Challenges; PL3-A-1 Design
	Measured From The Abutting		of the natural habitats and views of the urban skyline. (PL1-B-1 Pedestrian Infrastructure, PL1-B-3 Pedestrian Amenities and PL2-A-2 Access	Objectives; PL3-A-2 Common Entries;
	Street Lot Line.		Challenges).	PL3-A-4 Ensemble of Element; DC2-A-
			5. The breezeway and hill climb stair create an obvious and central gathering space for the project and the space is large enough that we can	1 Site Characteristics and Uses; DC2-A-
			accommodate multiple building entry points for different users. Restaurant users will take the main hill climb stair to the second floor restaurant.	2 Reducing Perceived Mass
			Building residents will slip past the main hill climb stair to access the secure lobby. Office users can use either the main breezeway entry as a 'front	
			door' or use a second entrance adjacent to the south garage. Retail spaces can be accessed direct from the Harbor Drive sidewalk. (PL3-A-1	
			Design Objectives, PL3-A-2 Common Entries and PL3-A-4 Ensemble of Elements).	
			6. The breezeway and hill climb stair help to break down the mass of the project (DC2-A-1 Site Characteristics and Uses and DC2-A-2 Reducing	
l			Perceived Mass).	



PROPOSED DEPARTURE

CODE COMPLIANT

9.0 DEPARTURE SUMMARY

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Zoning Code Reference	Requirement	Departure	Justification for Proposed Design Based on Design Guidelines	Referenced Design Guidelines
SITE TRIANGLE:	Two-Way Driveways, 22 Feet	To Allow A Combination Of Safety Features	Site Triangle (SMC 23.54.030.G): 10' wide site triangles on exit side of 2-way driveways	Dc1-C-4. Service Uses; Dc2-B-1.
SMC 23.54.030 G	Wide Or	(Including Pedestrian And Drive Warning	The proposed design better achieves the goals of the Design Guidelines in a number of ways:	Façade Composition; PI2-B-3. Street-
Occurs in Multifamily	More Require A Sight Triangle On	Lights, Safety Mirrors, And Paving	1. Reduced the perceived width of the garage entry opening from 32 to 22 feet.	Level Transparency; Dc2-B-2. Blank
Residential Zone	The Exit Side Of The Drive		 Reduced the number of recessed areas along the street frontage for increased safety of pedestrians as we limit the number of 'hiding' and 'sleeping' places. Due to the steeping sloping site the project only has one street frontage with the ability to provide service access, so the site really doesn't have a 'back door' or 'service' side. Keeping the garage doors at the face of the building on the property line allows us to fully screen and enclose the access doors to the trash and recycling room, the door to the water meter room and the restaurant service elevator, which helps to minimize the number of service doors and to clean up the street façade. (DC1-C-4 Service Uses and DC2-B-1 Façade Composition). The proposed design includes high quality garage doors with an anodized aluminum finish and perforations to provide a sense of visual penetrability yet adequate screening of use. (PL2-B-3 Street Level Transparency and DC2-B-2 Blank Walls). The proposed design includes warning lights, safety mirrors and paving changes to improve pedestrian safety. (DC4-C-1 Functions). 	Walls; Dc4-C-1. Functions;



PLAN AND ELEVATION Parking entrance utilizing mirrors, warning lights, and paving change. More opportunities for pedestrians to engage with retail storefront.



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PROPOSED ELEVATION - NORTH



PROPOSED PLAN - NORTH



COMPLIANT ELEVATION - NORTH



COMPLIANT PLAN - NORTH

PLAN AND ELEVATION Large parking entrance is less pedestrian friendly.

COMPLIANT PLAN - SOUTH

COMPLIANT ELEVATION - SOUTH

PROPOSED PLAN - SOUTH

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Zoning Code Reference	Requirement	Departure	Justification for Proposed Design Based on Design Guidelines	Referenced Design Guidelines
SCREENING OF PARKING:	Garage Door Size: Max. 75Sf	Provide A Garage Door That Satisfies The	Screening of Parking (SMC 23.45.536D): GARAGE DOOR SIZE	Dc1-C-4. Service Uses; Dc2-B-1.
23.45.536D	Garage Door Area In "Mr" Zones	Screening Requirements While Also	The proposed design better achieves the goals of the Design Guidelines in a number of ways:	Façade Composition;
Occurs in Multifamily		Allowing Enough Garage Door Area To	1. The larger garage door in the MR zone is more practical from a day to day use perspective and will better accommodate services uses which	
Residential Zone		Service A 2-Way, On-Grade Parking Area,	will include dumpsters that need to be wheeled in and out on a weekly basis. (DC1-C-4)	
		And A Shared Solid Waste/ Recyclable	2. The Larger door size is more complimentary of the overall massing of the project (DC2-B-1 Façade Composition).	
		Materials Room. Total Area Of Proposed	3. Separate entry and exit doors do not result in an overall reduction of the door area on the street façade, merely an increase in the number of	
		Garage Door Is 263.8Sf.	doors which results in increased cost, resources, energy use and long term flexibility of the building.	



PROPOSED GARAGE DOOR CONFIGURATION







9.0 DEPARTURE SUMMARY

Zoning Code Reference	Requirement	Departure	Justification for Proposed Design Based on Design Guidelines	Referenced Design Guidelines
SCREENING OF PARKING: 23.45.536D; Occurs in Multifamily Residential Zone	Minimum 15 Foot Setback Of Garage Doors In A "Mr" Zone.	Building Face Fronting Harbor Avenue And Allow A Combination Of Safety Features (Including Pedestrian And Drive Warning Lights, Safety Mirrors, And Paving Changes At The Driveway) In Lieu Of Required 15Ft. Garage Door Setback.	 Screening of Parking (SMC 23.45.536D): GARAGE DOOR SETBACK The proposed design better achieves the goals of the Design Guidelines in a number of ways: 1. Better holds the street edge and improves pedestrian safety by reducing the number of places to 'hide or sleep'. (PL2-B-1 Eyes on the Street). 2. Perforated Aluminum garage doors provide visual penetrability while providing adequate screening of parking and garage. (PL2-B-3 Street-Level Transparency). 3. Due to the steeping sloping site the project only has one street frontage with the ability to provide service access, so the site really doesn't have a 'back door' or 'service' side. Keeping the garage doors at the face of the building on the property line allows us to fully screen and enclose the access doors to the trash and recycling room, the door to the water meter room and the restaurant service elevator, which helps to minimize the number of service doors and to clean up the street façade. (DC1-C-4 Service Uses and DC2-B-1 Façade Composition). 	Pl2-B-1. Eyes On The Street; PL2-B-3 Street-Level Transparency; DC1-C-4 Service Uses; DC2-B-1 Façade Composition



PROPOSED GARAGE DOOR CONFIGURATION



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Zoning Code Reference	Requirement	Departure	Justification for Proposed Design Based on Design Guidelines	Referenced Design Guidelines
COMMERCIAL PARKING	Within A Structure, Street-Level	Allow Street Level Parking Directly Behind	Commercial Parking Location (SMC 23.47A.032.B.1.b):	PL3-A-1 Design Objectives; PL3-A-4
LOCATION:	Parking Shall Be Separated From	Street Facing Façade.	The proposed design better achieves the goals of the Design Guidelines in a number of ways:	Ensemble of Elements; DC2-B-2 Blan
SMC 23.47A.032.B.1.b	Street-Level, Street Facing		1. The Design team, over the course of two years, has investigated underground parking initially at two levels, then reduced to one level but	Walls; DC2-C-3 Fit with Neighboring
	Facades By Another Permitted		ultimately, due to the height of the water table combined with the sheer volume of water that would have to be removed from the site (45 gallons	Buildings; PL3-A-2 Common Entries;
	Use.		per minute at one story below grade and 250 gallons per minute at two levels below grade), construction of below grade space has proven	DC2-B-1 Façade Composition
			economically unfeasible on this site. The use of European mechanical parking lifts, reduction in ground floor commercial area has enabled to	
			project to satisfy parking requirements without the need for dewatering during construction. We have been able to maintain the initial massing from	
			option-D that resonated with the Design Review Board and public response at the Early Design Guidance meeting with the only significant addition	
			of a second garage door and curb cut. (PL3-A-1 Design Objectives, PL3-A-4 Ensemble of Elements, DC2-B-2 Blank Walls, DC2-C-3 Fit with	
			Neighboring Buildings).	
			2. Rather than one large garage that would have performed more efficiently from a cost perspective and only required a single garage door and	
			curb cut, the design team felt that two smaller garages could be more easily accommodated along the street frontage and minimize the interruption	
			of pedestrian interaction with the project. (PL3-A-1 Design Objectives, PL3-A-2 Common Entries, PL3-A-4 Ensemble of Elements).	
			3. While the design team was able to accommodate a permitted use on the north side of the NC garage drive (Office Lobby) our required parking	
			number combined with groundwater economics eliminated that opportunity on the south side of the driveway. The proposed street elevation design	
			maintains the rhythm of the rest of the building façade, maintains the use of high quality materials, attention to human scale and overall design	
			sensibility. (DC2-B-1 Façade Composition).	



PROPOSED GARAGE AT GRADE PARKING LOCATION, SOUTH



CODE COMPLIANT AT GRADE PARKING LOCATION, SOUTH



PROPOSED TWO GARAGE CONFIGURATION, SEE JUSTIFICATION #2

SINGLE GARAGE CONFIGURATION, SEE JUSTIFICATION #2

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PHYSICAL MATERIAL BOARD

For review at Design Recommendation Meeting

TREE ASSESSMENT

YMSA USA LLC 1307 Harbor Ave SW Seattle, WA 98116

PREPARED FOR:

Tim Rhodes for: YMSA USA LLC 1307 Harbor Ave SW Seattle, WA 98116

May 15, 2014

PREPARED BY:

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May 15, 2014

ATTN: Tim Rhodes YMSA USA LLC 1307 Harbor Ave SW Seattle, WA 98116

Dear Mr. Rhodes:

Thank you for having me evaluate trees at a proposed commercial development site for YMSA USA LLC. To evaluate the trees addressed in this letter I combined my field experience and education with current accepted practices as defined by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) and the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA).

The tools I use to make an assessment are limited to a rubber mallet, binoculars, compass, laser pointer, hand brush, shovel and hand trowel unless otherwise noted. A visual tree assessment and other methods are only conclusive for the day of inspection and do not guarantee that conditions will remain the same in the future.

Specifically I was asked to:

- 1. Evaluate existing trees outside of the proposed building footprint for health and risk,
- 2. Confirm tree species and diameter identified and located on a survey to be provided,
- 3. Identify any trees on property as Heritage Trees per Seattle's Director's Rule 16-2008.

I completed my site visit on May 9, 2014. The site is a very steep slope sparsely populated with Bigleaf maple (*Acer macrophyllum*) and Bitter cherry (*Prunus emarginata*) trees. The understory is nearly completely comprised of invasive groundcovers including English ivy, clematis, Himalayan blackberry, poison oak and nettle. Patches of horsetail indicated moist soil areas.

I identified six trees on the north west part of the property using black and white flagging tape and metal tags numbering 1591 through 1596 stapled to the trunk on the west side of the trees. To the best of my judgment from the survey, five of these trees are on the YMSA property and one is located in the right of way.

Three other maples and one clump of cherry trees also grow west of the proposed site and are mainly growing in the right of way. They are approximately located on the <u>Site Map</u> provided by the Miller Hull Partnership on 4/29/2914 and were not tagged in the field. At least some of the cherry stems directly west of the proposed southwest building corner may be on YMSA

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l building footprint for health and risk, nd located on a survey to be provided, es per Seattle's Director's Rule 16-2008.

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property but the exact property corner was unmarked in the field. Specific observations about all the trees noted on the Site Map can be found in the supporting information as a separate attachment to this report.

1) Tagged trees on property: These five mature Bigleaf maple trees grow on the north part of the parcel midway down the steep slope and were tagged 1591-1595. They all have partially exposed and slightly bowed bases indicating soils movement down slope over time. Many of the trees had defects in their lower trunks with rot extending into the lower base of the trees.

While this group of trees currently functions well as a grove, removing one or part of any of the trees will quickly change the dynamics of how they react to wind or other environmental events. Most of their individual canopies are majorly asymmetrical and exposed as solitary trees, would likely quickly loose branches or possibly experience trunk break out.

I also believe that the trees location to the proposed building site is close enough that disturbance would occur to some of the trees critical root zones and/or will necessitate severe (over) pruning of the trees for building clearance.

2) Maples growing in the right of way – Three mature Bigleaf maples grow near the top of the slope and one grows near the northwest property corner (numbered on the site sketch as Trees 2, 3 and 4 and tagged in the field as 1596). It is unclear how close development will be to Trees 2-4. At the time of my site visit all the trees were in fair condition except Tree 1596 which is in poor condition. As is the case above, any change occurring to any single tree (removal, pruning, root disturbance, failure) has the potential to affect all the trees in this group.

- Closely monitor the trees in this group and provide tree protection before and during the development process.
- If development plans change in scope to include work within the drip lines of these trees, branch pruning, root pruning, extremely close monitoring or removal may need to occur. Reassess the development plan relative to the trees location to specify a work. Contact Seattle Department of Transportation to obtain a tree work permit.
- If the development plan remains as specified, prune the dead wood from all three trees and complete any other structural pruning work to ensure the work area is safe from falling or hazardous branches or other tree parts. Contact Seattle Department of Transportation to obtain a tree work permit.
- All tree work should be completed according to ANSI 300 pruning standards.

3) Clump of bitter cherry trees – This clump of eleven trees grows straddling the right of way and the subject property. Ivy, clematis and poison oak grow up many of their canopies. They are mostly in fair to good condition. All of their canopies lean and grow towards the southeast. This grove does not qualify as an exceptional grove of trees.

If the building footprint remains as specified, many of the trees may have to be removed to avoid their canopies touching the new building. This also means that many of the stems' critical root areas will be likely be disturbed during the development process.

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- specific stems.
- If the development plan remains as specified, Contact Seattle Department of removal.

Currently the risk rating for these trees is low since there is no target in the event of a partial or total tree failure. However, this will significantly change when the location of the new building and project footprint is determined in the field and building commences. The target can be best determined once these locations are known.

The DPD Director's rule 16-2008 discusses the designation for Exceptional trees within the City of Seattle. Trees 3, 4, 1591 and 1593 meet these criteria (Bigleaf maple 2 feet six inches in circumference = 30 inches in diameter total or greater).

Trees 3 and 4 grow in the right of way. They are currently in fair condition but are in need of pruning to reduce structural defects and to remove dead wood if target locations or the height of the building reaches within or close to their drip lines. I strongly suggest following the recommendations in 2) to address them during the development process.

Tree 1591 grows on the subject property. If has had a large co-dominant trunk cut off on the south side of the trunk at approximately six feet up the trunk. The open wound now has rot starting to extend into the main trunk. The base of its trunk is perched above grade and there are defects in the architecture of its lower trunk. Although it meets the requirements as an exceptional tree due to its diameter, this is not a good candidate for retention as a solitary tree.

I used the currently evolving ISA hazard rating method to determine the relative level of risk this tree poses. While this method could be considered somewhat subjective to the assessor's opinion, conclusions are based on visible signs and symptoms of decline or hazard. Specific recommendations for this trees management are based on my professional opinion of how it would affect a target in the event of a whole or partial tree failure.

Although this risk rating method has recently evolved, since the target areas have yet to be specified, I used the ISA twelve point risk rating scale as the way to determine relative risk. The 2/3 Size of Part indicates varying branch or trunk sizes with the potential to break out.

Tree 1591 prior to development

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Failure	Size of	Target	Hazar
Potential	Part	Rating	Rating
	(Branches/trunk	(Hillside	e)

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• Determine the exact location of the right of way to determine the action needed for

Transportation to obtain a tree work permit if trees in the right of way need pruning or

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Possible risk of Tree 1591 after development

3	2/3	4		9/10
Failure +	Size of	+ Target	_=_	Hazard
Potential	Part	Rating		Rating

Failure potential: 1-5 points (1 - low, 2 - moderate, 3 - moderately high, 4 - high, 5 - severe) Size of part: 1-3 points (1 - </= 4", 2 = 4"- 20", 3 = >20") Target rating: 1-4 points (: 1 - low, 2 - moderate, 3 - moderately high, 4 - high) (View the attachment Risk Rating and Action Thresholds for recommendations for all hazard rating scores).

After development commences and the target is defined the hazard rating increases. It is my opinion that this tree is not a good candidate for retention.

Tree 1593 grows very close to the proposed building footprint. Its canopy is nearly one sided and grows leaning east. It is likely that root disturbance or over pruning would need to occur during development. I strongly suggest following the recommendations in 2) to address it during development if it is retained. It is my opinion that this tree is not a good candidate for retention.

The other trees in this northern group are in declining condition and/or have many defects in their lower trunks making them poor candidates for retention as solitary trees. Removing any single trees in this localized group would leave the rest exposed to new environmental conditions which could increase the possibility of an ever larger break out from trunk areas, not just falling or breaking branches. When the project footprint is marked in the field, recommendations for trees in this group can be finalized.

Finally, it is my professional opinion that the invasive species that grow as understory up trees on the property and in the right of way can be removed by hand or very sensitively with mechanical machinery without unduly disturbing soils. Immediately placing wood chips or straw on bare soil and replanting the area can avoid erosion after clearing.

Species that can be used to revegatate the site or right of way include: Vine Maple (Acer circinatum), Paper Birch (Betula papyrifera) Weeping Alaska Cedar (Chamaecyparis nootkatensis) and Hookers Willow (Salix hookeriana). Red or yellow-twig dogwood are good shrubs as well as any other of our native shrub species.

Thank you very much for calling me for your arboricultural concerns.

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EMAIL ATTACHMENT: Youngone YMSA PDF 5-14 - field observations

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Site Sketch





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Risk Rating and Action Thresholds

Risk Rating	Risk Category	Interpretation & Implications
3	Low 1	Insignificant – no concern at all.
4	Low 2	Insignificant – very minor issues
5	Low 3	Insignificant – minor issues not of concern for many years yet
6	Moderate 1	Some issues but nothing that is likely to cause any problems for another 10 years or more
7	Moderate 2	Well defined issues – retain and monitor. Not expected to be a problem for at least another $5 - 10$ years
8	Moderate 3	Well-defined issues – retain and monitor. Not expected to be a problem for at least another $1 - 5$ years.
9	High 1	The assessed issues have now become very clear. The tree can still reasonable be retained as it is not likely to fall apart right away, but it must now be monitored annually.
10	High 2	The assessed issues have now become very clear. The probability of failure is now getting serious, or the target rating and/or site context have changed such that mitigation measures should now be on a schedule with a clearly defined timeline for action.
11	High 3	The tree or a part of it has reached a stage where it could fail at any time. Action to mitigate the risk is required within weeks rather than months.
12	Extreme	This tree, or part of it, is in the process of failing. Immediate action is required. All other less significant tree work should be suspended, and roads or work areas should be closed off until the risk issues have been mitigated.

Options for Mitigation of Risk Trees include:

<u>Remove the risk altogether</u> if possible by cutting off one or more branches, removing dead wood, or possibly removing the entire tree. Extreme risk situations should be closed off until the risk is abated.

<u>Modify the risk of failure probability.</u> In some cases it may be possible to reduce the probability of failure by adding mechanical support in the form of cables braces or props.

<u>Modify the risk rating by moving the target.</u> Risk ratings can sometimes be lowered by moving the target so that there is a much lower probability of the defective part striking anything. Moving the target should generally be seen as an interim measure.

<u>Retain and monitor</u>. This approach is used where some defects have been noted but they are not yet serious and the present risk level is only moderate.

Reference:

Dunster & Associates Environmental Consultants Ltd. <u>Assessing Trees in Urban Areas and the</u> Urban-Rural Interface, US Release 1.0. Silverton: Pacific Northwest Chapter ISA, 2006

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Assumptions, Limiting Conditions and General Waiver

I, Katy Bigelow, certify that:

I have personally inspected the tree(s) and or the property referred to in this report;

I have no current or prospective financial or other interest in the vegetation or the property which is the subject of this report and have no personal interest or bias in favor of or against any of the involved parties or their respective position(s), if any;

The analysis, opinions and conclusions stated herein are the product of my independent professional judgment and based on current scientific procedures and facts, and the foregoing report was prepared according to commercially reasonable and generally accepted arboricultural standards and practices for the Pacific Northwest and Puget Sound areas;

The information included in this report covers only those trees that were examined and reflects the condition of the trees as of the time and date of inspection;

This report and the opinions expressed herein are not intended, nor should they be construed, as any type of warranty or guarantee regarding the condition of the subject trees in the future;

Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions ("CC&Rs") may restrict the number, type and height of vegetation on the subject property, and I have made no investigation regarding whether the property is subject to such CC&Rs; and

To the best of my knowledge and belief, all statements and information in this report are true and correct and information provided by others is assumed to be true and correct.

I am not an attorney or engineer. This report does not cover these areas of expertise and represents advice only of arboricultural nature. Without limiting the generality of the preceding sentence, it is specifically understood that nothing contained in this report is intended as legal advice, or advice or opinions regarding soil stability or zoning laws, and this report should not be relied upon to take the place of such advice.

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