



**PROJECT #3025124    6730 CORSON AVE S.**

**PROPOSAL:**

Build Urban proposes to construct new row homes for a total of 5 units and 5 parking stalls that are accessed from the East alley.

**CONTEXT:**

The project site located in the Georgetown neighborhood of Seattle is a 6,250 sqft parcel zoned in an LR2 (Lowrise 2) for a variety of multifamily housing types in existing multifamily and single family neighborhoods. The parcel is bound by an alley to the East, Corson Ave S. to the West and single family homes to the North and South.

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Please see the following pages for a graphic contextual analysis.

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Site Area:	6,250 sqft
# of Residential Units:	5 units
# of Stories:	3 + Rooftop Decks

Zone: LR2  
Proposed Use: Row House (5) units  
Lot Area: 6,250 sqft  
Allowed FAR: 1.2  
Proposed FAR: .99

Structural Height:  
-Allowed: 30'-0" to Plate and 35'-0" to Ridge  
-Proposed: 28'-7" to top of roof

Setbacks:  
-Front Proposed on Corson Ave S : 7 feet.  
-Rear Proposed: 41.49 feet  
-Side North Proposed: 6.98 feet  
-Side South Proposed: 6 feet

Parking:  
-Stalls Required: 1 per Unit (5 stalls)  
-Stalls Proposed: 5 surface park

Solid Waste:  
84 sqft required per 23.54.040  
Proposed: 85.21 sqft.

Adjustments:  
None



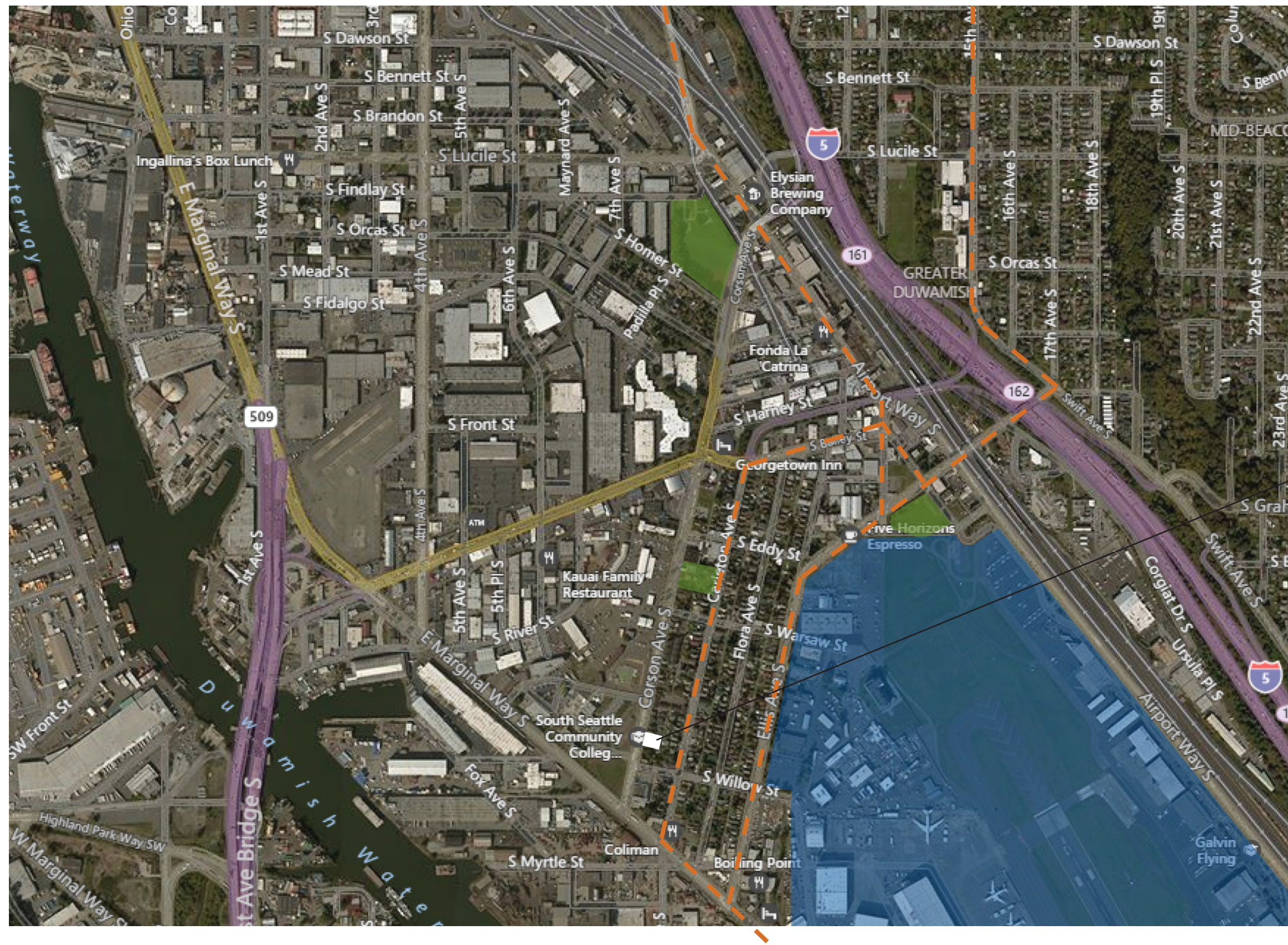
Georgetown Neighborhood





Zoning and Vicinity Map





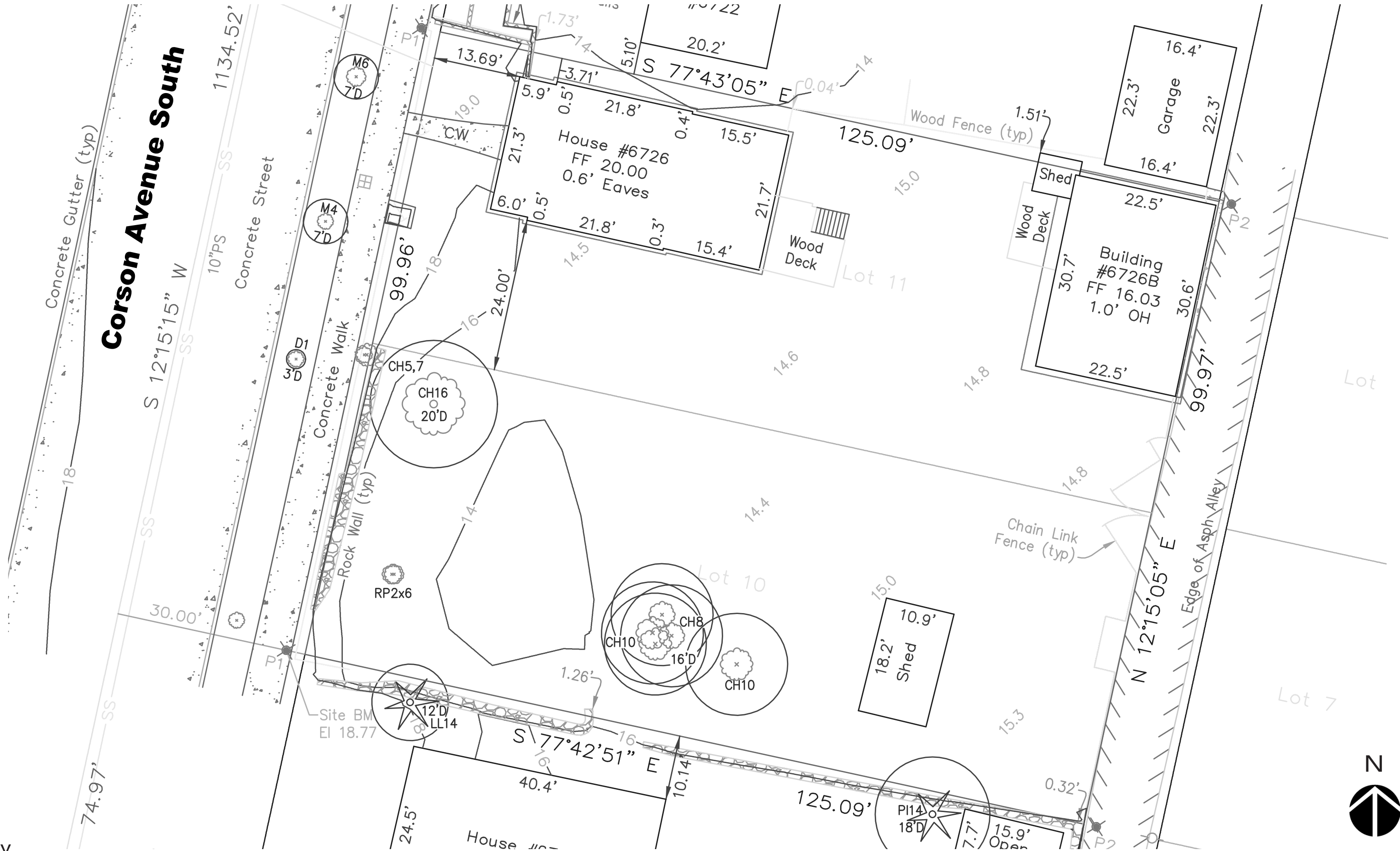
- King County International Airport
- City Park
- Highway
- Bus Routes 60 & 124

Project Site  
6730 Corson Ave S.



Site Context







## Existing Site



Georgetown is home to a variety of cultures, activities and historic landmarks. The neighborhood is made up industrial warehouses, business corridors, museums, trade schools, breweries, and small residential blocks. Living spaces vary from loft style apartments, to small town-home developments and single family homes.

The existing site is vacant and is currently accessed from the East alley. The site offers frontage on Corson Ave S with alley access, view potential of Downtown Seattle from the proposed building's third floors as well as rooftop decks, easy access to transit routes, close proximity to downtown and the airport.

## Georgetown Neighborhood



Existing Site & Neighborhood Context







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Surround Neighborhood Context Photos





Landscape Plan





FENCING



MAILBOX



BIKE PARKING



TRASH/ RECYCLING ENCLOSURE



FURNITURE AT COMMON AREA



CATENARY LIGHTING





Acer palmatum/  
Green Japanese Maple



Cornus kousa var Chinensis/  
Chinese Dogwood



Prunus x hillieri 'Spire'/  
Spire Cherry



Acer circinatum/  
Vine Maple



Styrax obassia/  
Fragrant snowbell



Liriodendron tulipifera 'Fasti-  
giatum'/ Columnar Tulip Tree



Cornus sanguinea 'Cato' Ar-  
tic Sun/ Arctic Sun Dogwood



Lonicera pileata/  
Privet Honeysuckle



Mahonia x media 'Charity'/  
Charity Mahonia



Nandina domestica 'Golf  
Stream'/ Dwarf Heavenly  
Bamboo



Salix purpurea 'Nana'/  
Dwarf Arctic Willow



Sarcococca ruscifolia/  
Sweet Box



Vaccinium ovatum/  
Evergreen Huckleberry



Carex testacea/  
Orange New Zealand Sedge



Euphorbia amygdaloides  
var. robbiae/ Mrs. Robb's  
bonnet Euphorbia



Hebe buxifolia 'Nana'/  
Boxwood Hebe



Helictotrichon sempervirens/  
Blue Oat Grass



Liriope spicata/  
Creeping Lily Turf



Miscanthus sinensis 'Yaku  
Jima'/ Dwarf Maiden Grass



Polystichum munitum/  
Sword Fern





Recessed Light



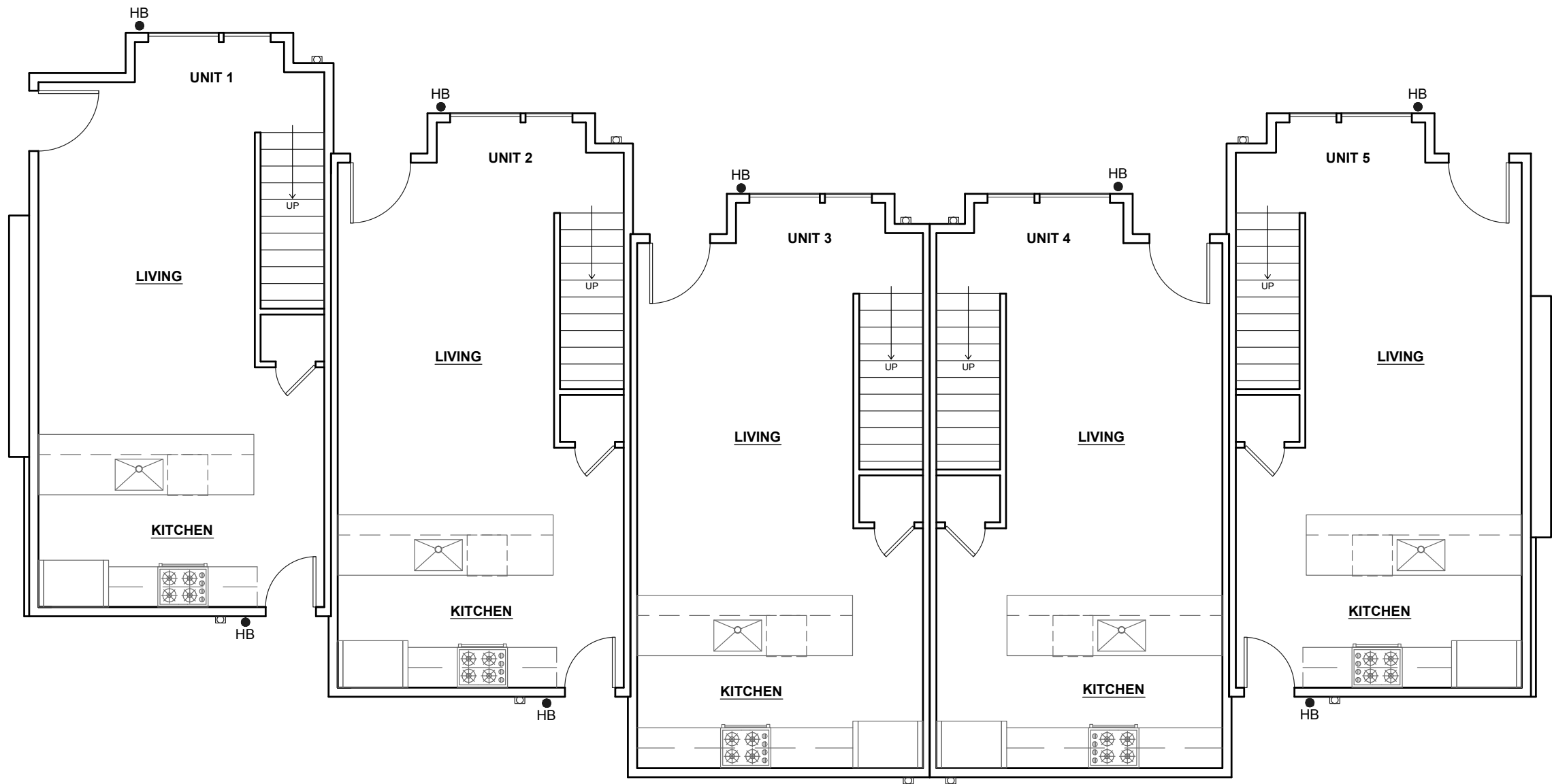
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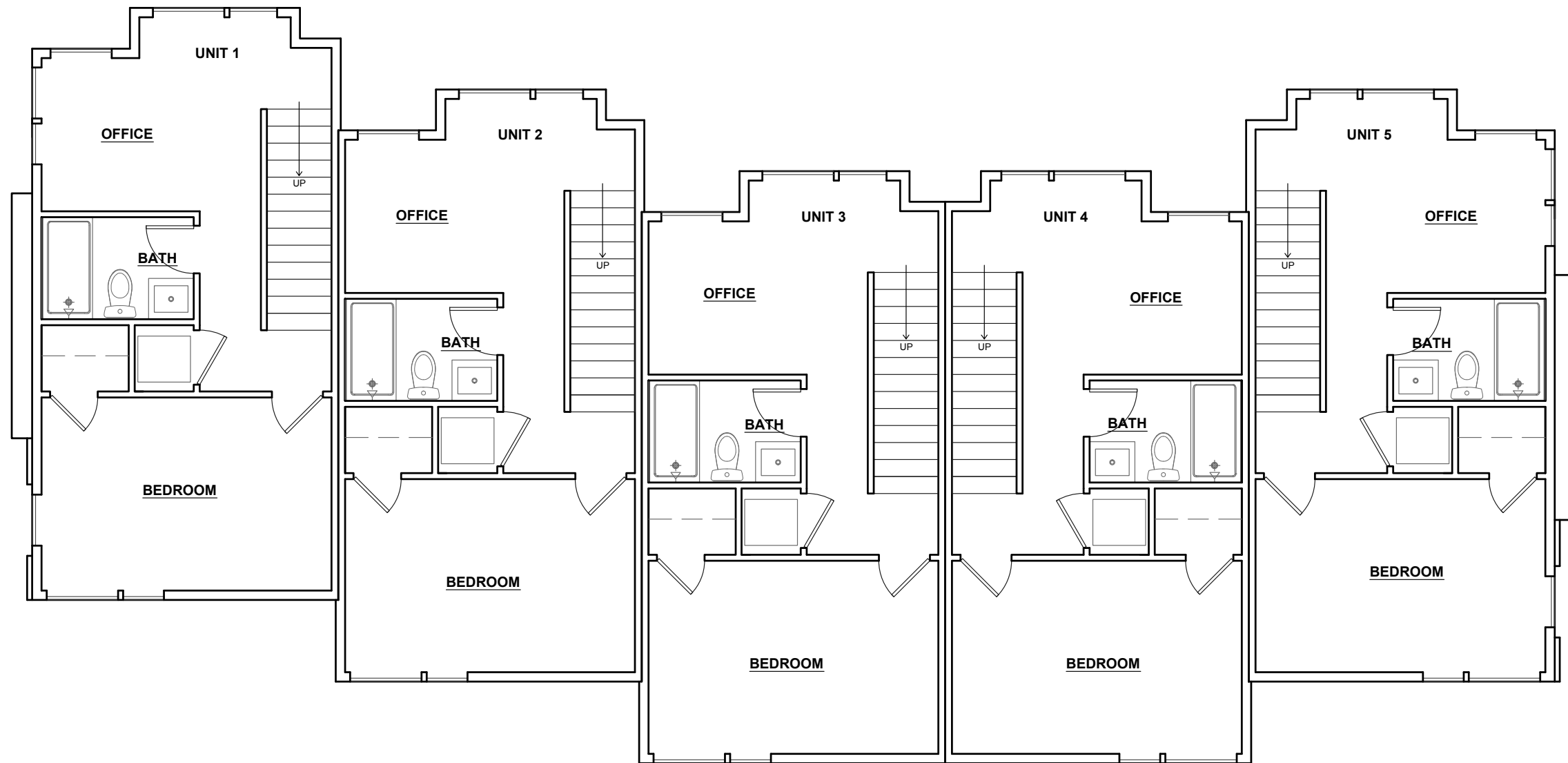
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Exterior Lighting Plan & Lighting Selections

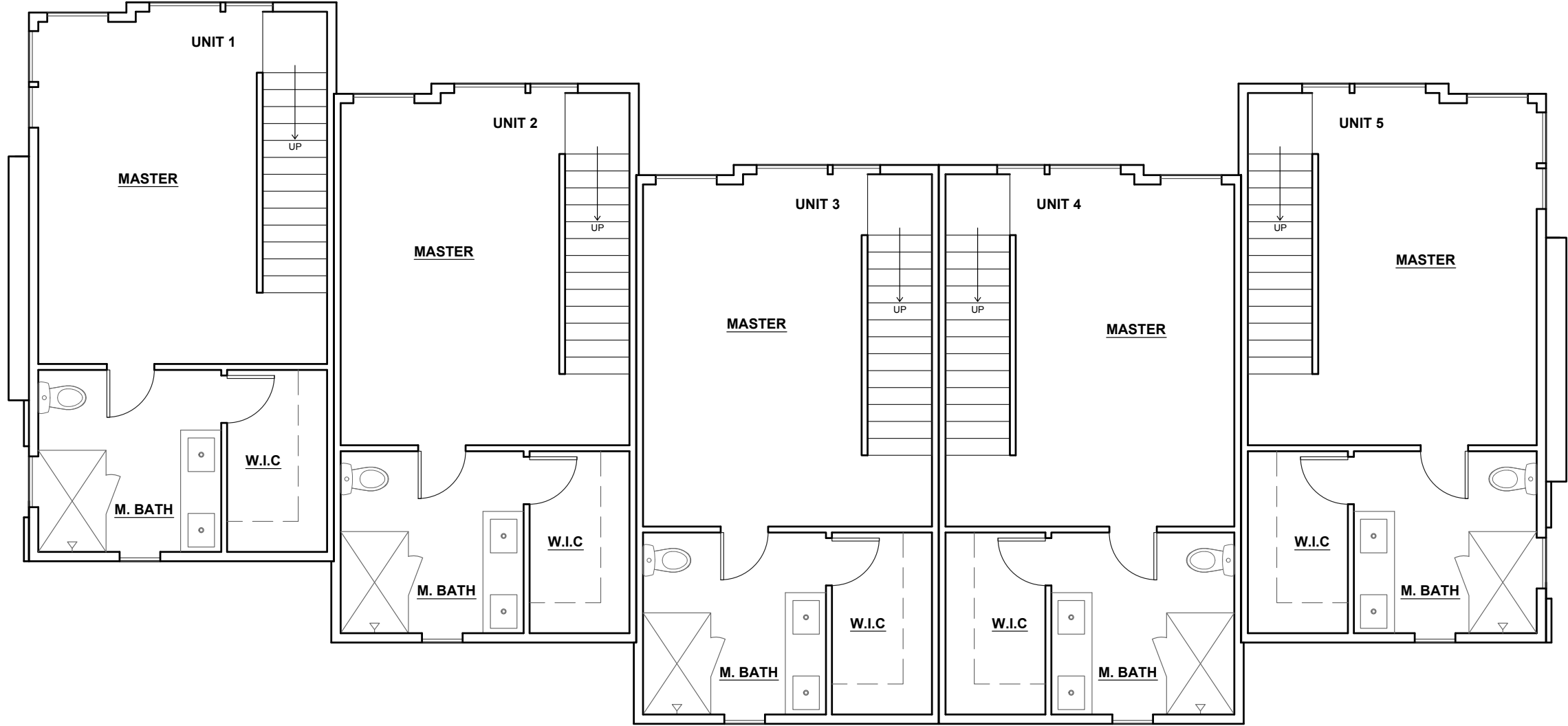




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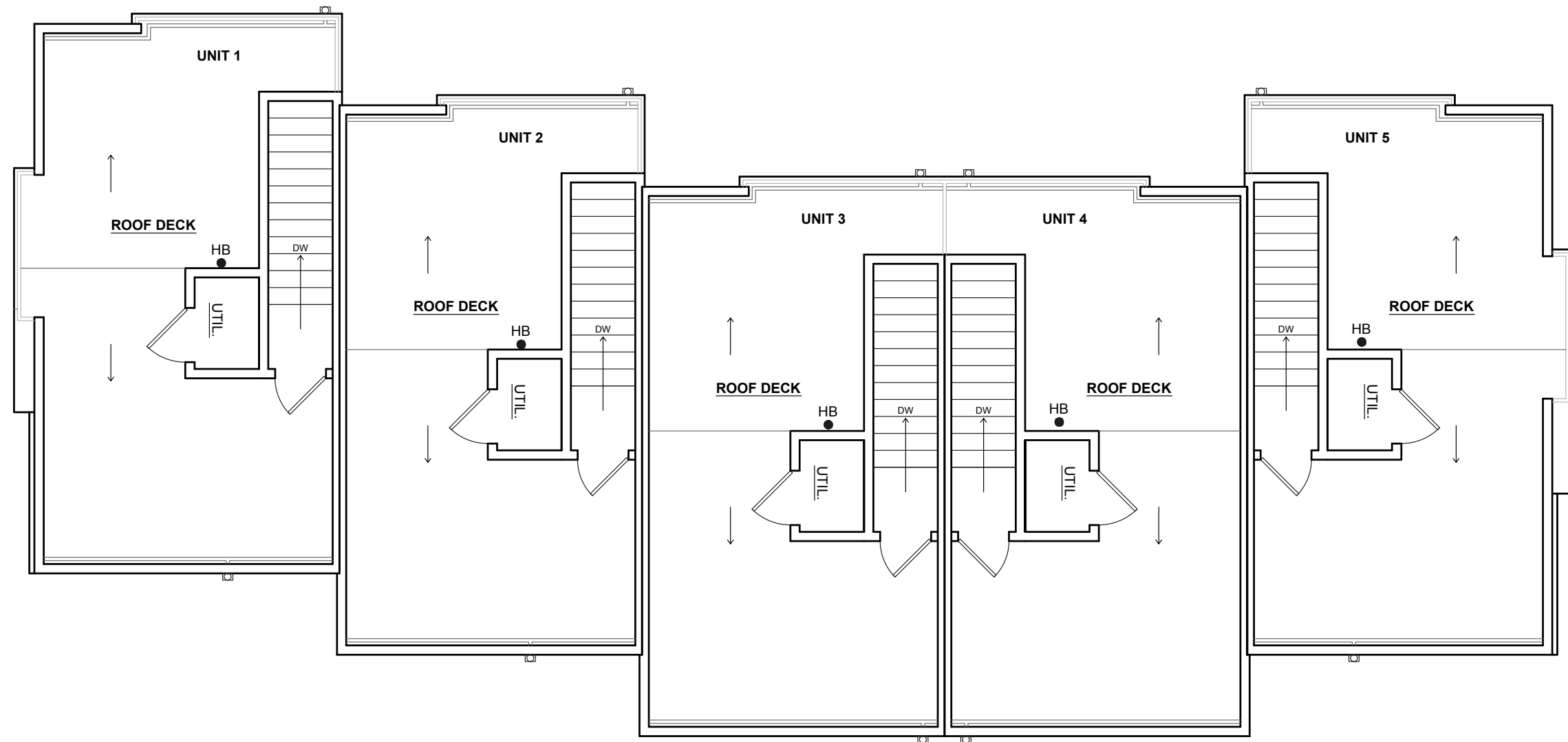


2nd Floor Plan



3rd Floor Plan





Roof Plan





Perspectives





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Vertical Cedar Siding



Hardie Panel  
SW7020 Black Fox



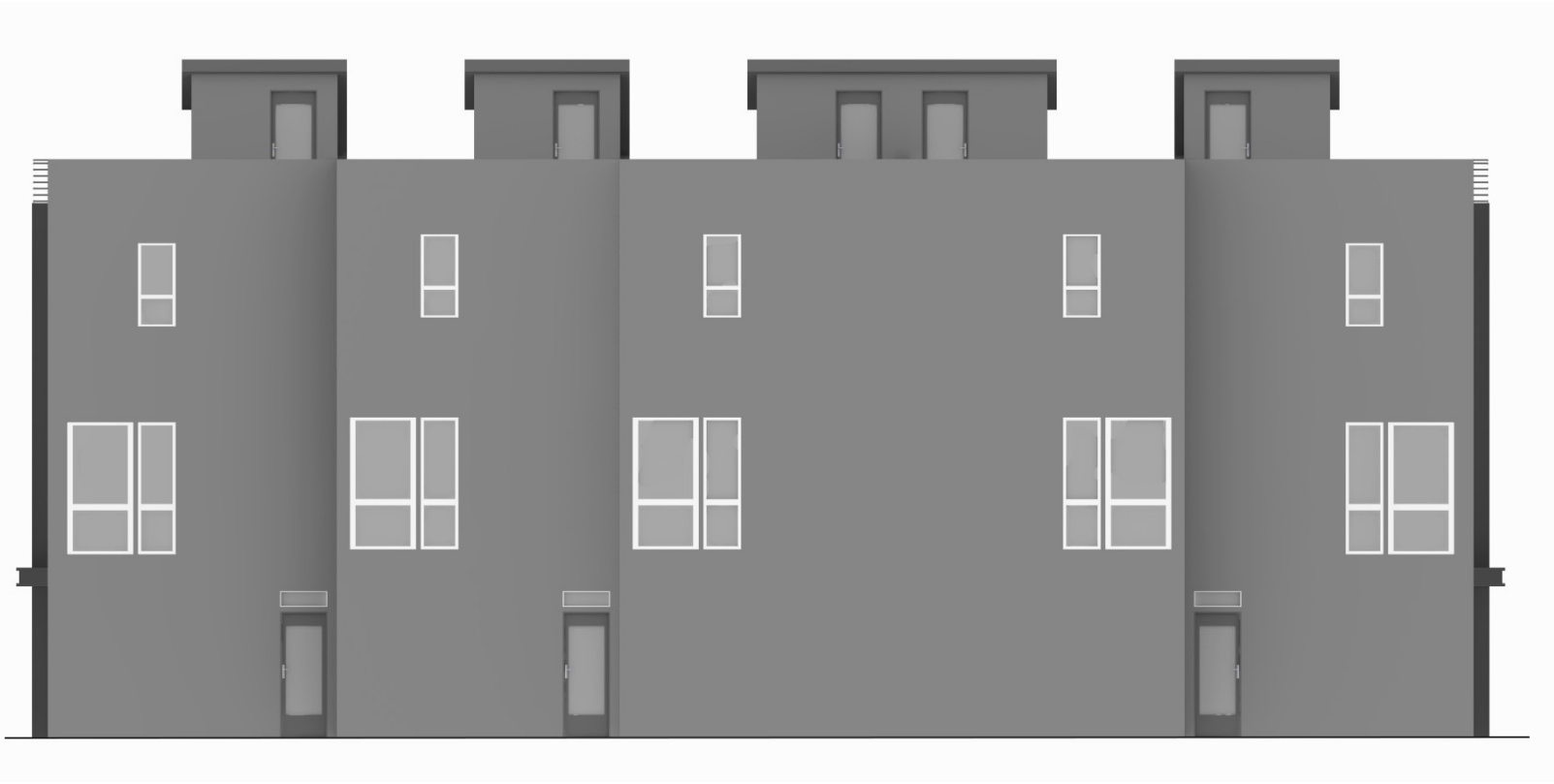
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SW7018 Dovetail



NORTH ELEVATION



WEST ELEVATION



SOUTH ELEVATION

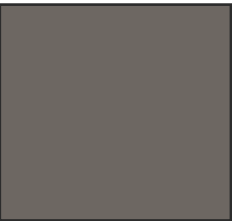


EAST ELEVATION

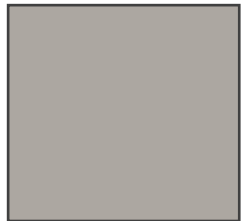
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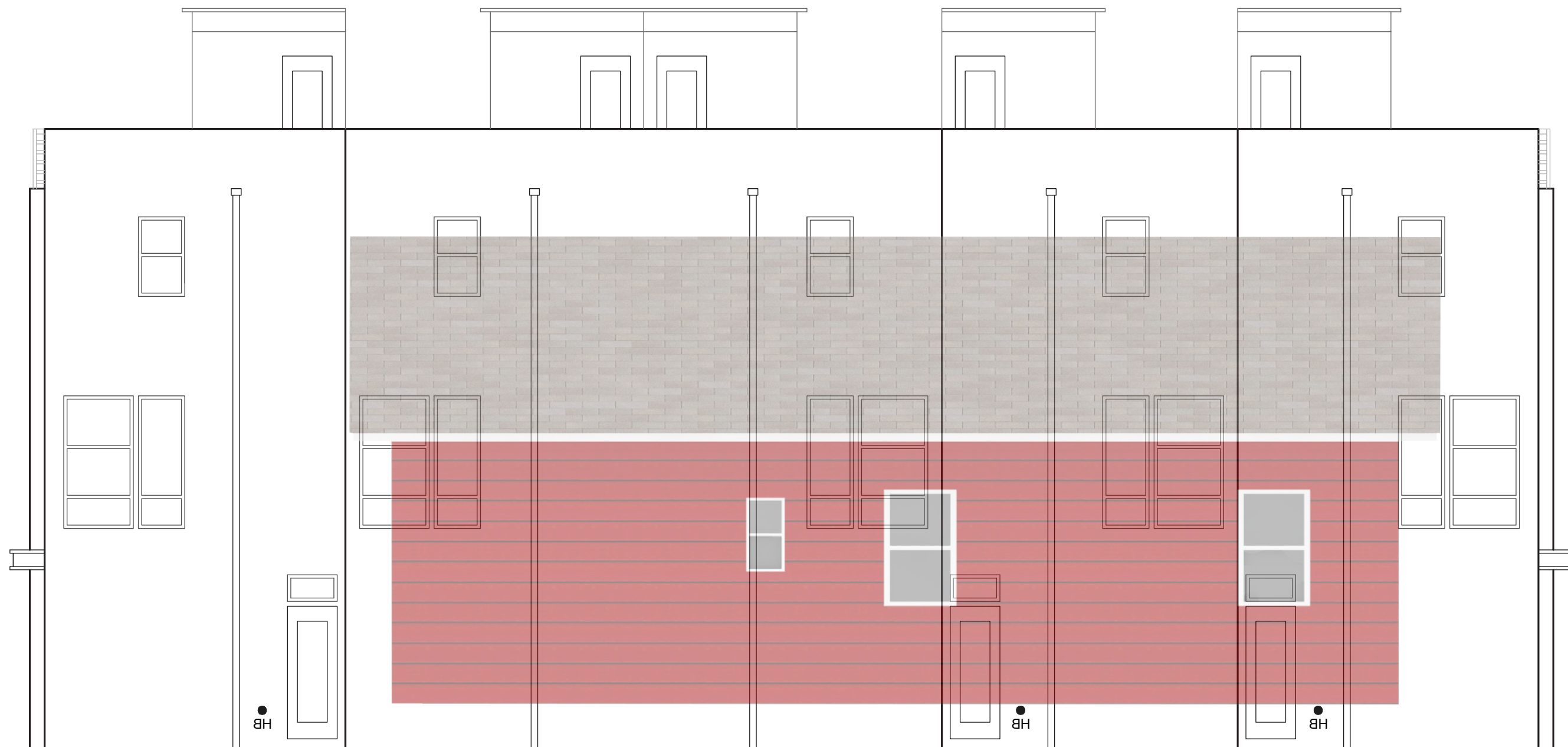
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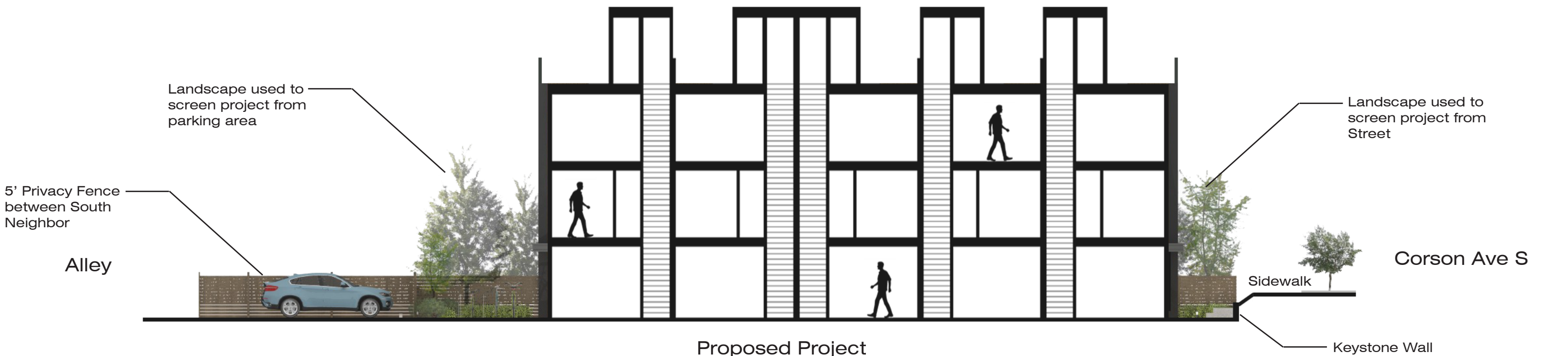
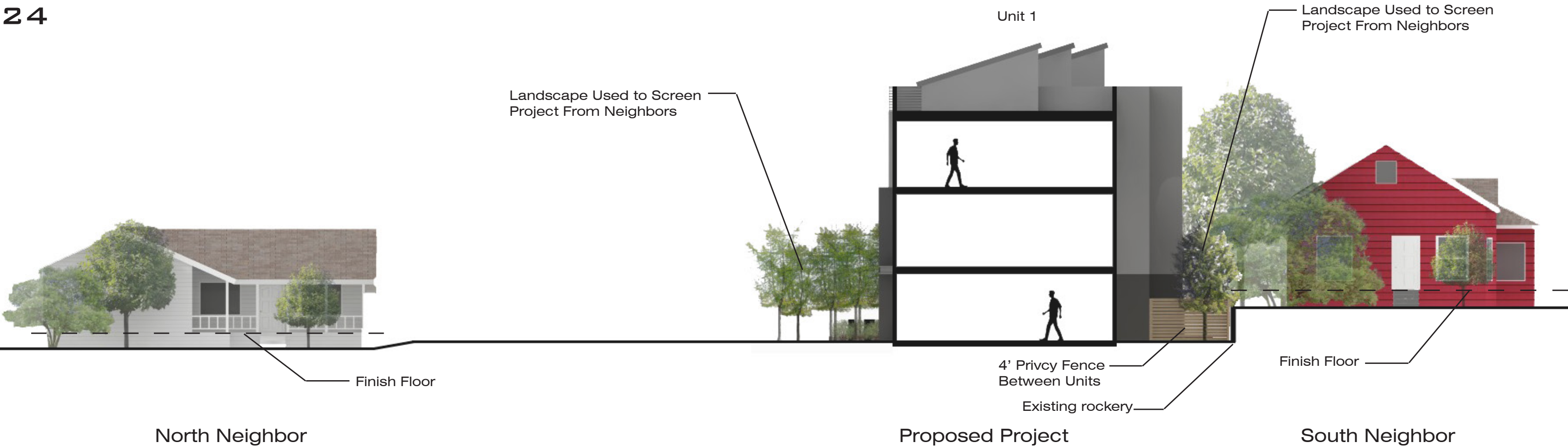


Window Study - Neighbor's South Elevation - Project's North Elevation



Window Study - Neighbor's North Elevation - Project's South Elevation





Section



## CS1 NATURAL SYSTEMS AND SITE FEATURES

### D. Plants and Habitat

Response: The proposed development features a variety of plantings to define the courtyard and private spaces while providing color throughout the site. The proposed development will utilize the center of the site to provide a public gathering space. Additional setbacks, up-lighting and lower under plantings will provide an inviting entry from Corson Ave into the site. The buildings lower façade will be landscaped to help soften the auto entry experience while strengthening vegetation presence from the alley ROW. Internally, plants have been selected and located to define private patios and the perimeter has been landscaped with a mixture of shrubs and trees to help screen the building scale.

## CS2 URBAN PATTERN AND FORM

### C. Relationship to the Block

Response: Modulation of the units has been designed to reflect the traditional style of a old brownstone with a recessed entry and protruding bay windows. Exterior materials and colors have been selected to reflect the industrial character of the neighborhood.

### D. Height Bulk and Scale

Response: The site is proposing a building that relates to both the ROW and internal courtyard. This provides a building properly scaled to the neighborhood while providing additional internal space to allow gathering and opportunity for additional landscaping.

## CS3 ARCHITECTURAL CONTEXT AND CHARACTER

### A. Emphasizing Positive Neighborhood Attributes

Response: The existing neighborhood is a mix of contemporary and older structures and materials. One of the strengths of the Georgetown Neighborhood design is the consistent connection from the units to the public edge. The proposed development was designed so each unit felt a strong connection to the public edge. Unlike a common autocourt concept, the proposed development places cars near the alley which opens the site to units and landscape (not the car).

## PL1 OPEN SPACE AND CONNECTIVITY

### C. Outdoor Use and Activities

Response: The units have been designed to maximize the relationship to usable amenity space and open space. The units have been designed to have living a kitchen on the ground level to help activate the relationship to Corson Ave and the courtyard, as well as, great access to private patio space. Each unit has access to usable open space easily accessible from a public living area.

## PL2 WALKABILITY

### B. Safety and Security

Response: Units and spaces have been designed with safety and security in mind. The end unit provides “eyes on” Corson Ave while the remaining units “eyes on” the site from alley through to Corson Ave S. In addition, exterior lighting has been proposed (and not to shine into neighboring properties).

## PL3 STREET LEVEL INTERACTION

### A. Entries and Residential Edges

Response: Each entry is located either off Corson Ave S or the internal courtyard. Additional setbacks, along the south property line, were designed to increase the path space allowing for a strong internal entry sequence. Also, each unit will be designed to incorporate a front door awning. In addition, to increasing some side yard setbacks, plantings are used to buffer neighboring properties. A generous 5’ wide pathway will define the entrance off of Corson Ave S. into the common courtyard.

## PL4 Active Transit

### A. Entry Locations and Relationships

Response: Entry locations are placed to relate to the main street- Corson Ave S. The end unit entry faces West directly fronting on Corson to create a residential street presence, while the remaining unit entries face North, connecting to the street by the courtyard.

## DC1 PROJECT USES AND ACTIVITIES

### C. Parking and Service Uses

Response: In order to minimize the presence of the car, parking is proposed off the alley. Once parked, the site is a pedestrian experience highlighted through a landscaped pedestrian corridor to the front doors of each unit.

## DC2 ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT

### A. Massing

### B. Architectural and Façade Composition

### C. Secondary Architectural Features

Response: Massing of the buildings has been organized to demarcate entrances and create open exterior spaces for residents. Each unit will have a high glazing percentage on the front façade. This additional glazing and window detailing will provide a strong architectural, element, material change while providing natural light into the home. The buildings have an four foot modulation. This provides logical places for color and material change helping to identify individual units. Awnings, roof top deck, patios, hedges and small fences are secondary features that will identify individual units and delineate private and public open spaces.



DC3 OPEN SPACE

A. Building Open Space Relationship

Hierarchies of open spaces are designed to define entry sequence, private spaces and buffer to neighbors. Combined with about 180 shrubs 19 new trees are proposed, the planting palette will provide year round color.

Each unit will have a roof top deck for an opportunity for private outdoor space and views of downtown Seattle.

DC4 EXTERIOR ELEMENTS AND MATERIALS

A. Exterior Element’s and Finishes

Response: Durable, long lasting materials will be used throughout the project. The material palette consists of fiber cement panel, lap siding, cedar and large glazing. The color palette uses a saturated charcoal and a warm white to attract the eye. Neutral Grays are used in a playful manner which belies their usual coolness in tone. The cedar provides additional warmth along the first floor.

C. Lighting

Response: Selections of pathway lighting, sconces and wall fixtures all work together to increase safety on site, inform pedestrians of entry locations and increase usability of the outdoor spaces. In addition, the courtyard provides opportunity to hang ornamental lighting helping activate this common space.

D. Trees, Landscape and Hardscape Materials

Response: The landscaping will enhance the buildings and site by creating a backdrop of trees, shrubs and perennials to complement the building’s architecture and break down the visual mass. The landscaping along Corson Ave S provides an inviting entry to the site, as well as, the internal homes. The internal home’s front yards will be defined by the combination of 3.5 ft tall blue oat grass, fountain grasses, and planters. Hardscape paths are proposed to be pervious pavers which will provide texture and warm to the pedestrian experience.





Previous Work

6730 CORSON AVE S.  
DESIGN REVIEW

