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# **PROJECT INFORMATION**

**ADDRESS** 8354 14TH AVENUE NW

SEATTLE, WA 98117

**TAX ID NUMBER** 2921700006

**SDCI PROJECT #** SDR: 3028468

BUILDING: 6597269

**LOT SIZE** 4,879 SF

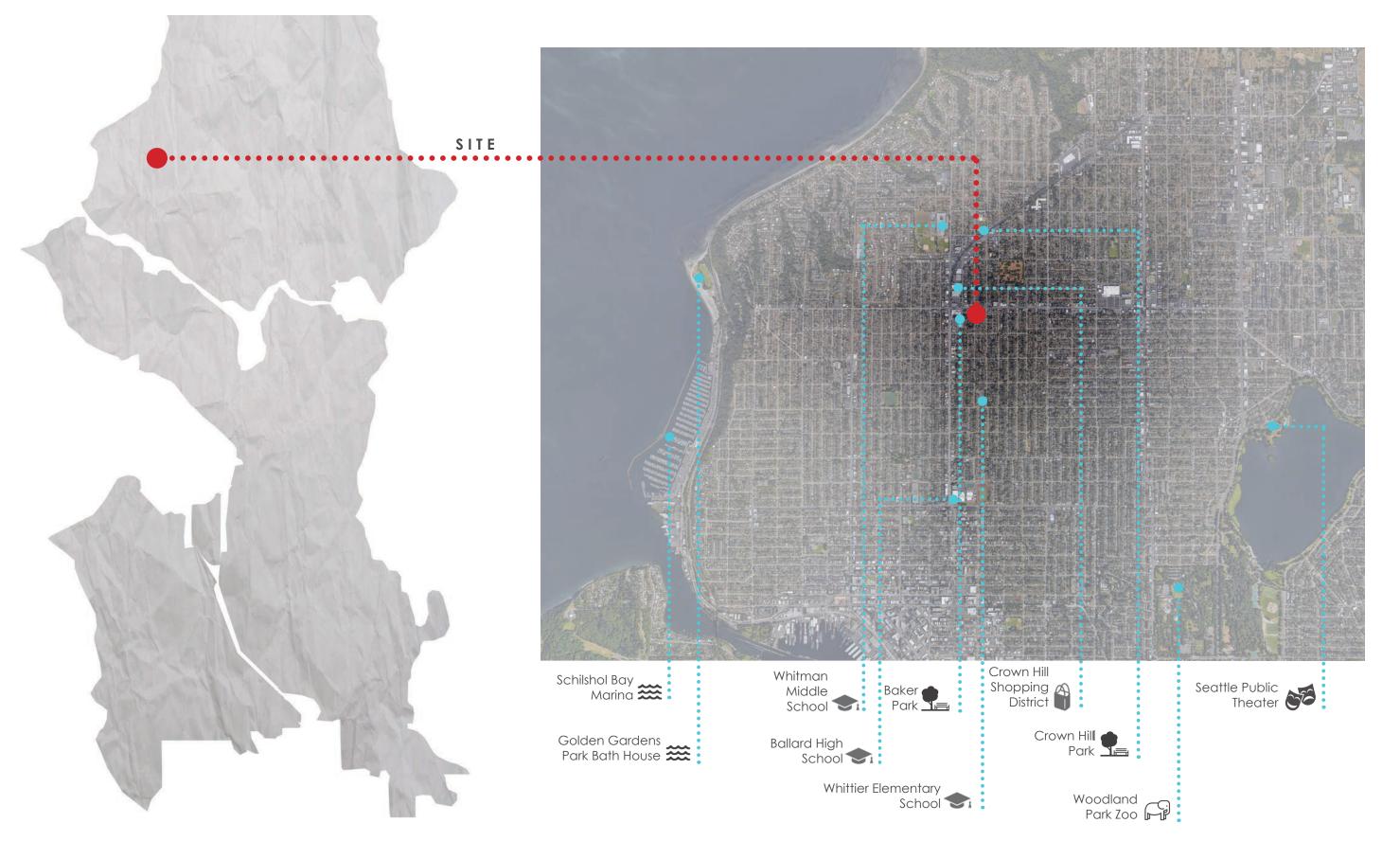
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PROJECT INFORMATION



### **VICINITY ANALYSIS**

**ZONE:** LR2 RC

**ADJACENT ZONES**: LR2 RC

SF 5000 NC2-40

BUS ROUTES: D - Crown Hill to Ballard to Seattle Center West to Downtown Seattle

> 15 - Blue Ridge to Crown Hill to Downtown Seattle

> 48- Mt Baker TC to University District

**48** Line



**15/D** Line

15/40/D Line



**ZONING ANALYSIS** 

PROPOSAL

8354 14th Avenue NW is currently (1) lot with a multi-family structure. The applicant proposes to remove the existing structure and driveway and develop (5) townhouses with (2) open tandem parking stalls. There will be future unit lot subdivision.

**KEY METRICS** Zone: LR2

> Lot size: 4.666 SF

FAR: 4,666 sf x 1.3 = 6,066 sf allowed (THs + Built green)

30' + 4' parapet allowance & 10' penthouse Structure Height:

(5) Units:

Parking: (2) open tandem residential stalls

**ANALYSIS OF CONTEXT** 

The project is located in the neighborhood of Crown Hill, located two blocks east of the heavily trafficked 15th Ave NW arterial road and commercial district. The property is bounded on the western edge by 14th Ave NW - a smaller residential street, an alleyway to the east, and NW 85th Street which runs east-west along the adjacent property to the north. The site is afforded potential territorial views to the west, and south. These potential views include the Olympic range to the west and the downtown Seattle skyline to the southeast. The neighborhood is comprised of an eclectic mix of styles and uses, ranging from older single family homes, to apartment buildings, and various commerical uses.

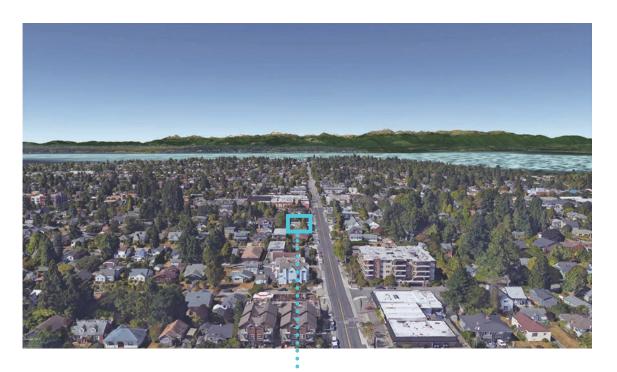
**EXISTING SITE CONDITIONS** 

A drawing of existing site conditions, indicating topography and other physical features, location of structures, and prominent landscape elements on the site can be found on page 7.

**SITE PLAN** A preliminary site plan including proposed structures and open spaces can be found on page 10.

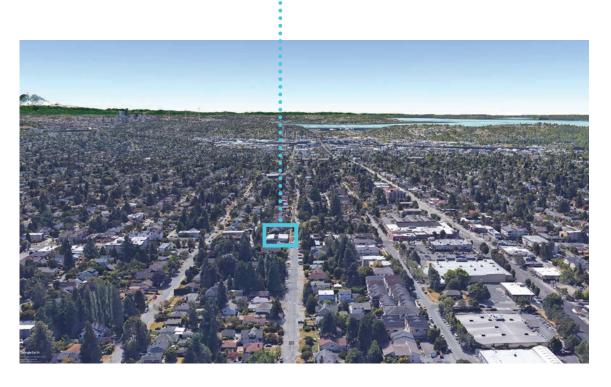
**ARCHITECTURAL CONCEPT** See page 8 for concept statement, diagrams, and images.

**DESIGN GUIDELINES** See page 9 for Design Guideline Responses.



8354 AERIAL VIEW WEST •••••••••





SITE ANALYSIS

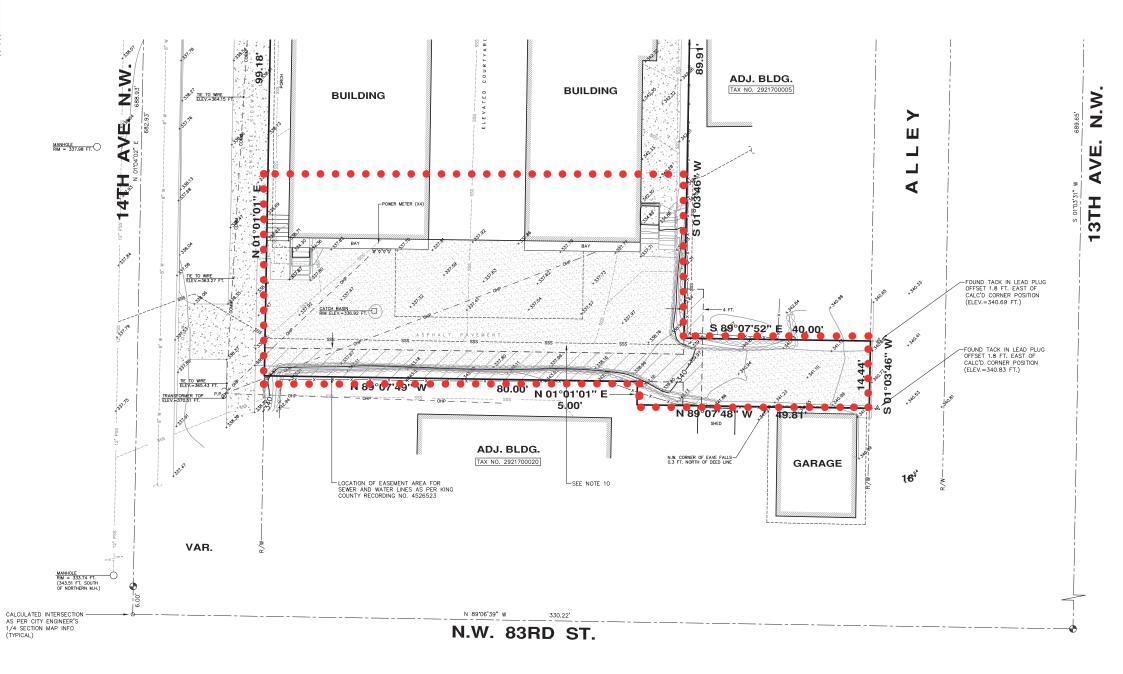




### STREET LEVEL

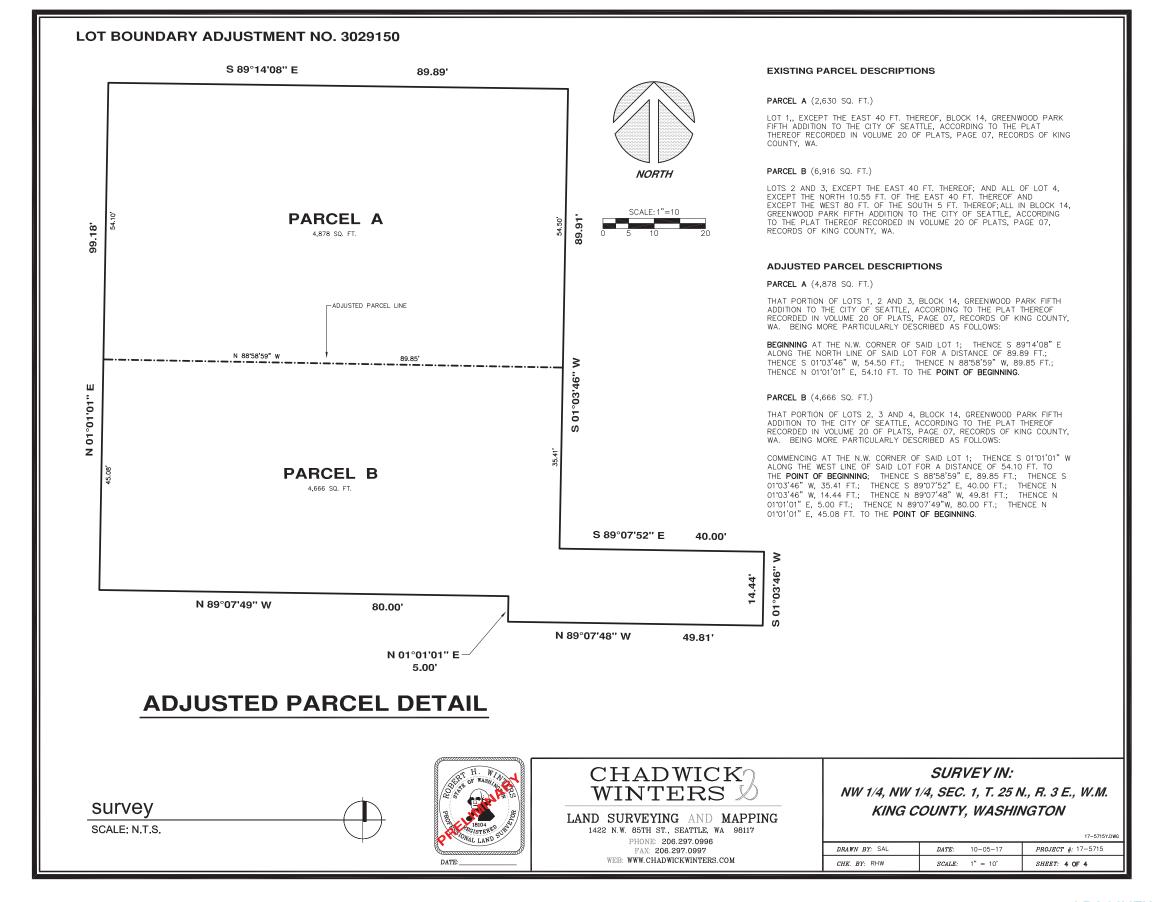
#### LEGAL DESCRIPTION

THEREOF ALL OF LOT 4, EXCEPT THE NORTH 10.55 FT. OF THE EAST 40 FT. THEREOF AND EXCEPT THE WEST 80 FT. OF THE SOUTH 5 FT. THEREOF; ALL IN BLOCK 14, GREENWOOD PARK FIFTH ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SEATTLE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN VOLUME 20 OF PLATS, PAGE 07, RECORDS OF KING COUNTY, WA.





#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS**



LBA LINEWORK

The primary objective of this design is to reach out and activate the adjacent yard spaces, while respecting the atmosphere of the neighborhood context. Since this project bridges the zoning gap between LR2 and SF500, this development aimes to use the contemporary townhouse form, while incorporating elements that soften the adjacency to immediate neighbors, and appropriately ties into the neighborhood at large.

The party walls of each unit have been articulated at the facade as extruded fins, which distinctly defines the boundary between each townhome. The solid gray fins are then infilled with a soft blue panel facade that is punctuated by openings in a very deliberate manner, to both respect the neighboring properties, and to claim ownership of the ground floor exterior spaces. The color and material palettes have been drawn from units on the same block along 14th Ave NW.

The primary pedestrian circulation is located adjacent to the northern property boundary, and soft landscaping in conjunction with a staggered unit location helps create an inviting atmosphere that encourages interaction between unit owners.

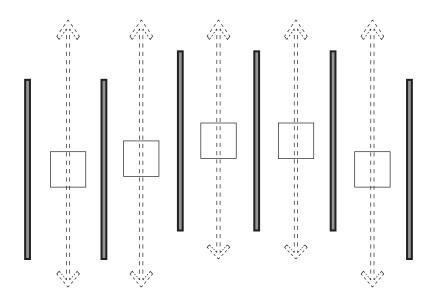




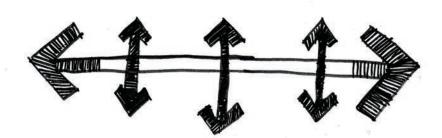


**PRECEDENTS** 





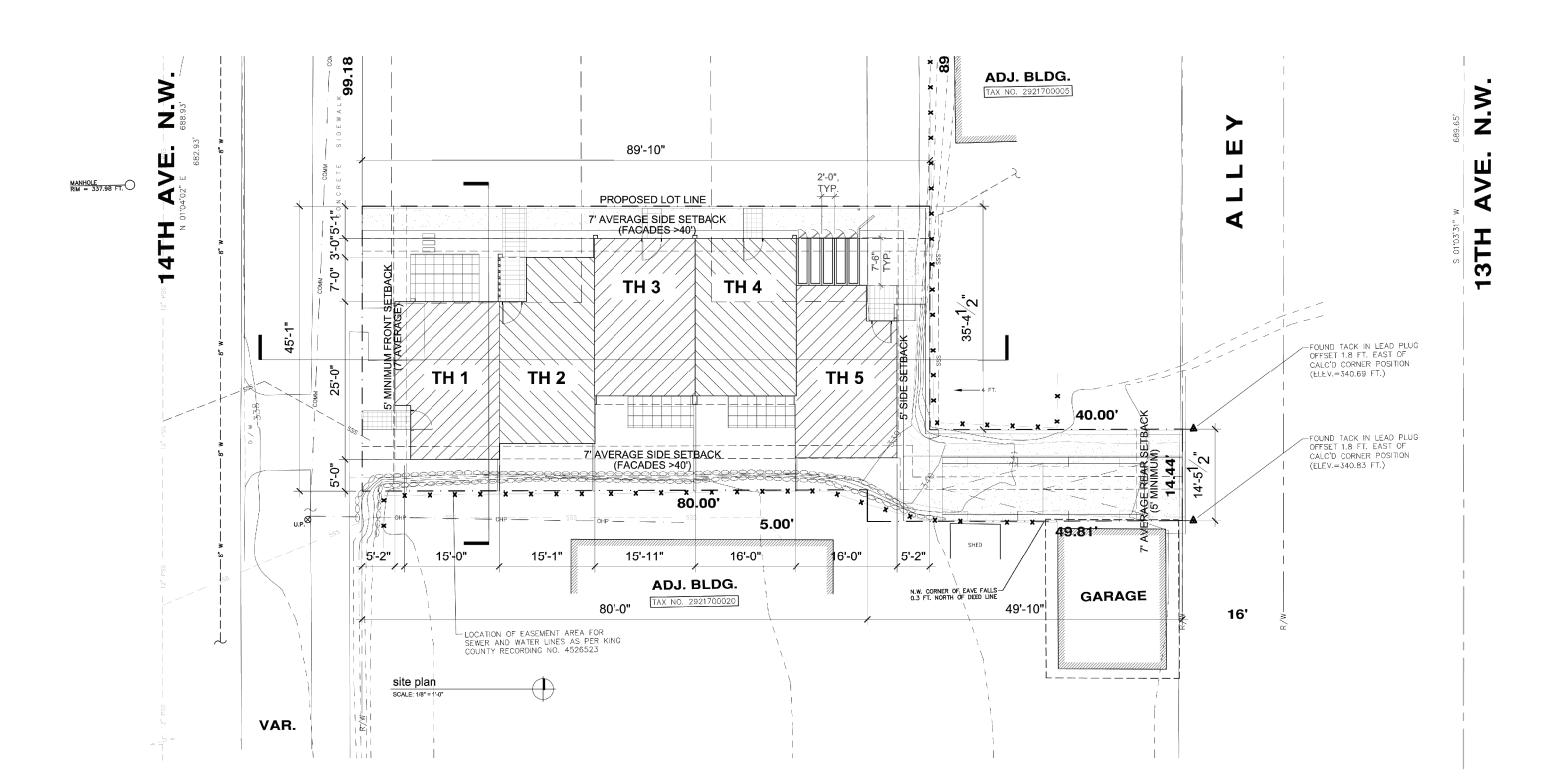
#### **CONCEPTUAL SKETCHES**



CONCEPT

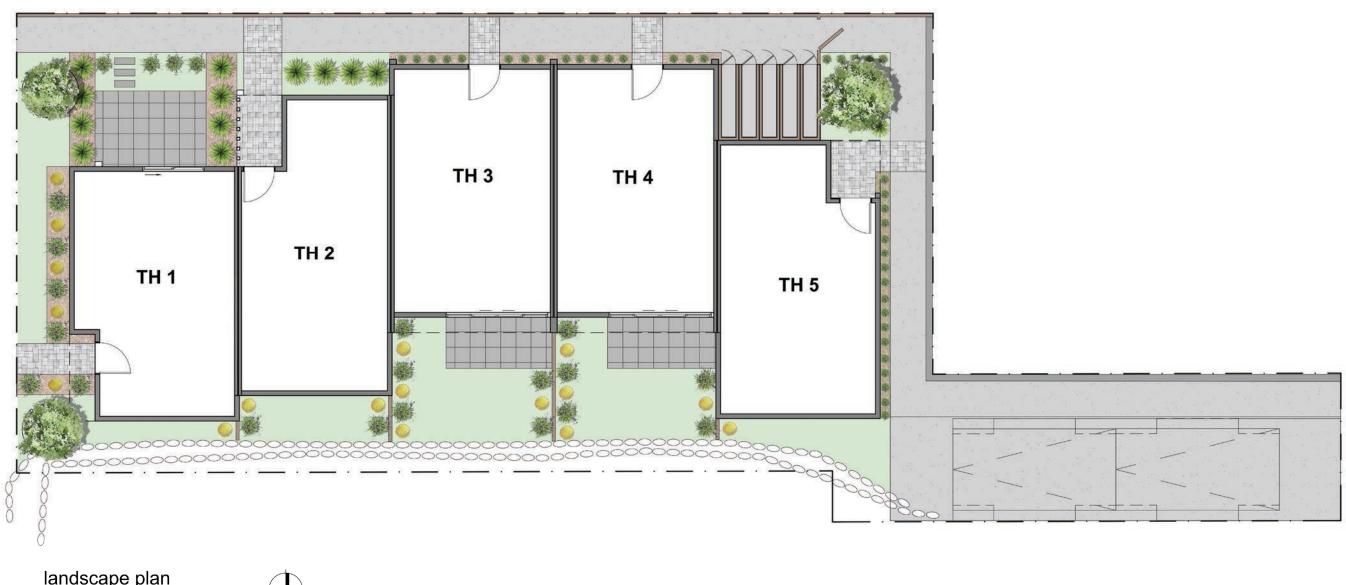
SEATTLE DESIGN GUIDELINES		DESIGN RESPONSE
CS2. Urban Pattern and Form	<ul> <li>B Adjacent Sites, Streets, and Open Space</li> <li>C Relationship to the Block</li> <li>D Height, Bulk, and Scale</li> </ul>	The surrounding neighborhood is an eclectic mix of styles, ranging from one & two story traditional homes, to the modern additions. This development aims to use the contemporary townhouse form, while incorporating elements that soften the adjacency to immediate neighbors. The property immediately to the south is raised six feet, and has a fence on the property line, thus providing an exisiting buffer. Additionally the units jog to the north creating pocket yards, and will maintain the rockery. At the street-facing unit, the ground floor is bumped out and textured in wood (to soften the pedestrian experience), while the upper two floors are set-back. Penthouses were not used on the street or alley facing units in order to reduce the scale at the street. When looking at the block, the new development will be nearly the same height as the neighbors, due to the lifted topography.
PL1. Open Space Connectivity	B Walkways and Connections	The entries of the units are located along the northern edge of each unit, and are connected by a pedestrian pathway that navigates between the sidewalk located adjacent to 14th Ave NW, and the tandem parking adjacent to the alley. The townhomes are jogged in plan, which helps break up the massing and creates adjacent open spaces for each unit.  As the units jog in plan, the setback along the north property line begins at 15' and gradually decreases to 5'. The walkway will be kept clear and unobstructed, and will use landscape accents and lighting along the pathway, to create a sense of warmth and welcome. Additionally, all of the units will have direct connection to either private yards or pocket decks, located along the north and south of the building.
PL3. Street Level Interaction	A Entries	The entries to the rear four units are located along the pedestrian walkway that runs adjacent and parallel to the northern lot line, while the entry to the street-facing unit is visibile and directly acessible from 14th Ave NW. Due to the undulation of the units, each entry is given a distinct character, separate from its neighbor, and when highlighted with landscaping and prominent signage, gives a sense of ownership. The paving material also helps to indicate the entry, by cutting through the common pathway, which can be seen on the landscape plan. Signage along the street-facing retaining wall will highlight the pedestrian walkway, and the location of the unit entries.
DC2. Architectural Concept	B Architectural and Facade Composition C Secondary Architectural Features D Scale and Texture	The composition of the street-facing façade utilizes a break in the vertical plane between the ground floor, and the upper units, creating a dynamic facade that does not dominate with scale, and uses a soft cedar siding base to help warm the entry to the project site. The glazing for all units has been grouped and located to avoid alignment with the windows of the neighboring property to the south.  The fin elements carry the party wall rhythm out to the facade, and clearly indicate separation between units, which helps with sense of ownership for each townhome. The entry to townhouse two uses a series of cedar columns to help draw the eye towards the rear units, and creates an inviting pedestrian experience. The street-facing unit has a large patio adjacent to the pedestrian walkway, and its location aims to help facilitate social interaction between the home owners.
DC4. Exterior Elements and Materials  Trash location and screening	A Exterior Elements and Finishes	Simple, clean, and durable materials have been selected to maintain a high level of quality for this project and endure Seattle's climate. Large address numbers on the street facing retaining wall, allow for easy recognition from the street, and indicates the pedestrian circulation, while individual unit callouts are placed beside each unit entry.  The materials selected provide a warmth at the pedestrian level, and the clean lines of the material layout create a clear indication of unit entry and division between the townhomes. There is a continuous pathway along the entire northern edge of the site, which will be lined with lighting and vegetation. At the front of the site, the landscaping will create visual interest, and help buffer the noise created by traffic along 14th Ave NW.  The trash enclosures are located at the northeast corner of the site, and are housed in 2' x 7'-6" enclosures, which screen the individual bins from sight, and provide separation from the neighbors. Please see the first and last renderings, which show how the trash enclosures would be viewed from the pedstrian experience, primarily that they are visually screened and blend in with the context of the project. The eastern-most unit will have access to both tandem parking stalls, and will function differently from the other four units, which are un-parked. Since the western four units will utilize street parking or public transit, their circulation will primarily be from the west, while the eastern-most unit has a dedicated parking location, and will access the site from the east. In order to create a more private environment for the east unit, a small gate has been added along the northern pedestrian circulation, and the trash location helps to reinforce this idea.

**DESIGN GUIDELINES** 

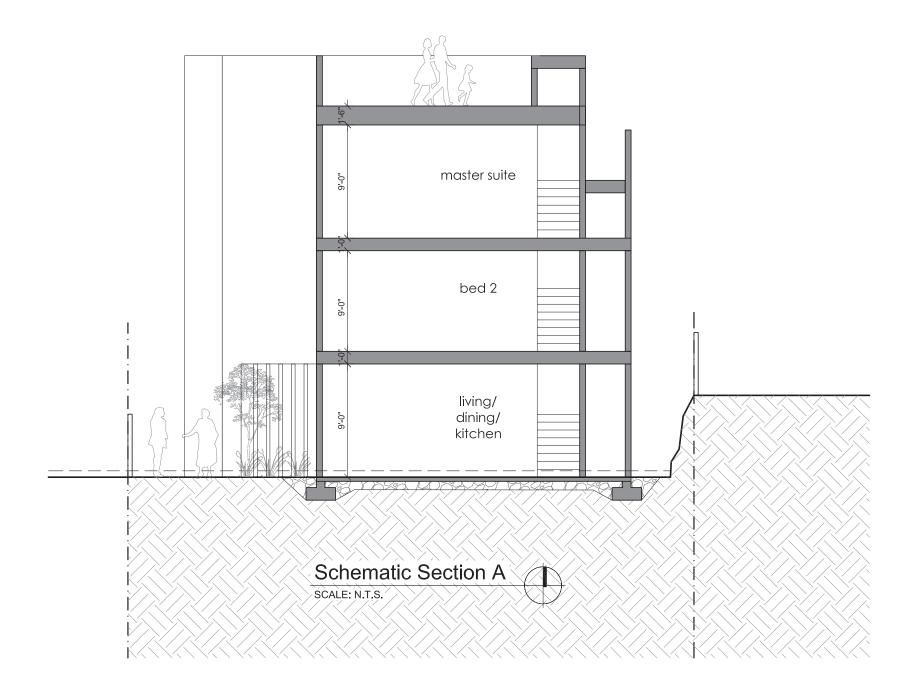


	<u>Required</u>	Provided	<u>% Difference</u>
Front:	7' average, 5' minimum	7.2' Average, 5' min	Compliant
Side (north):	7' average (facades >40')	7.3', 5' min	Compliant
Side (south):	7' average (facades >40')	7.1', 5' min	Compliant
Rear:	7' average, 5' minimum	34',7' avg	Compliant

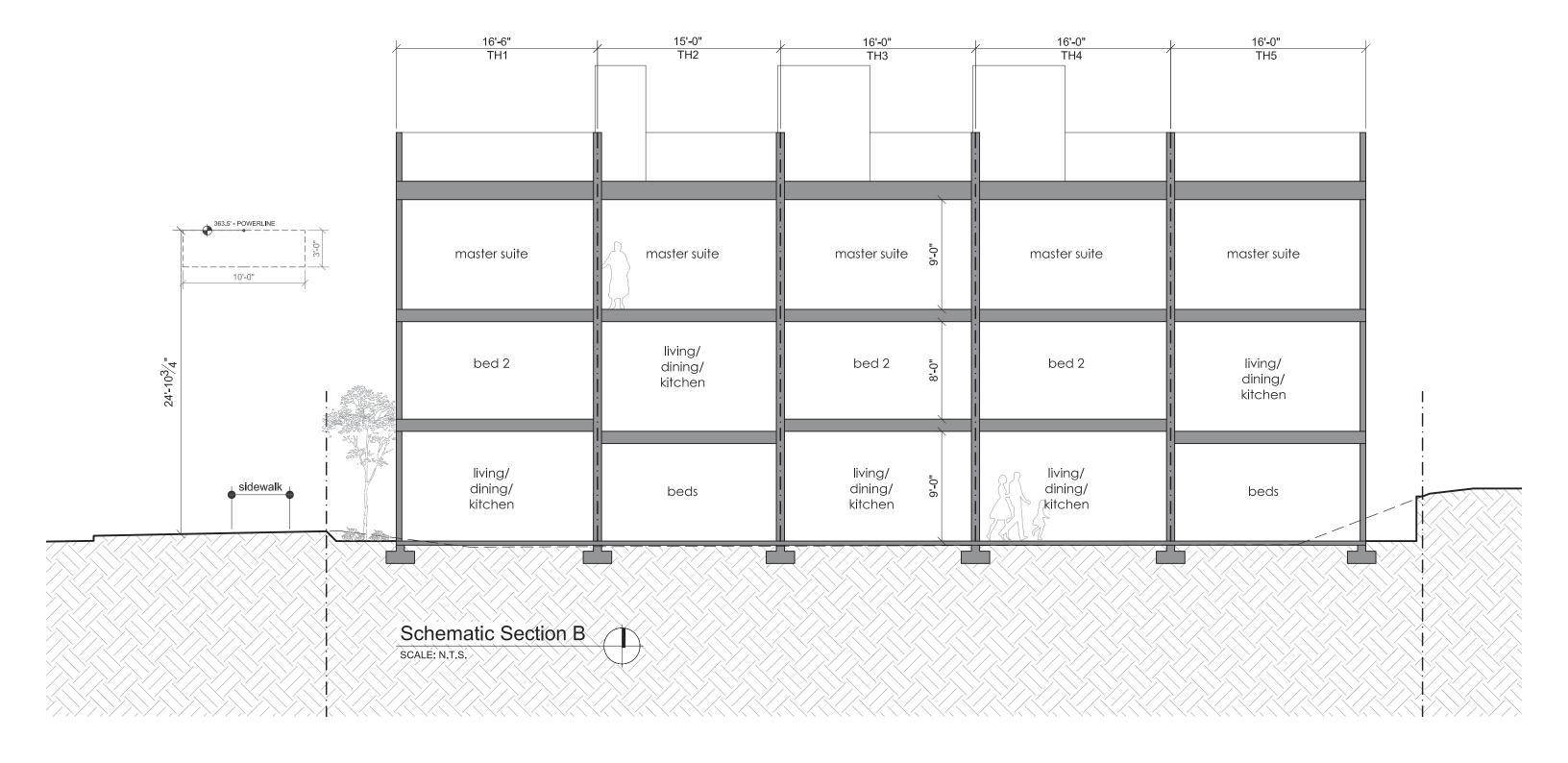




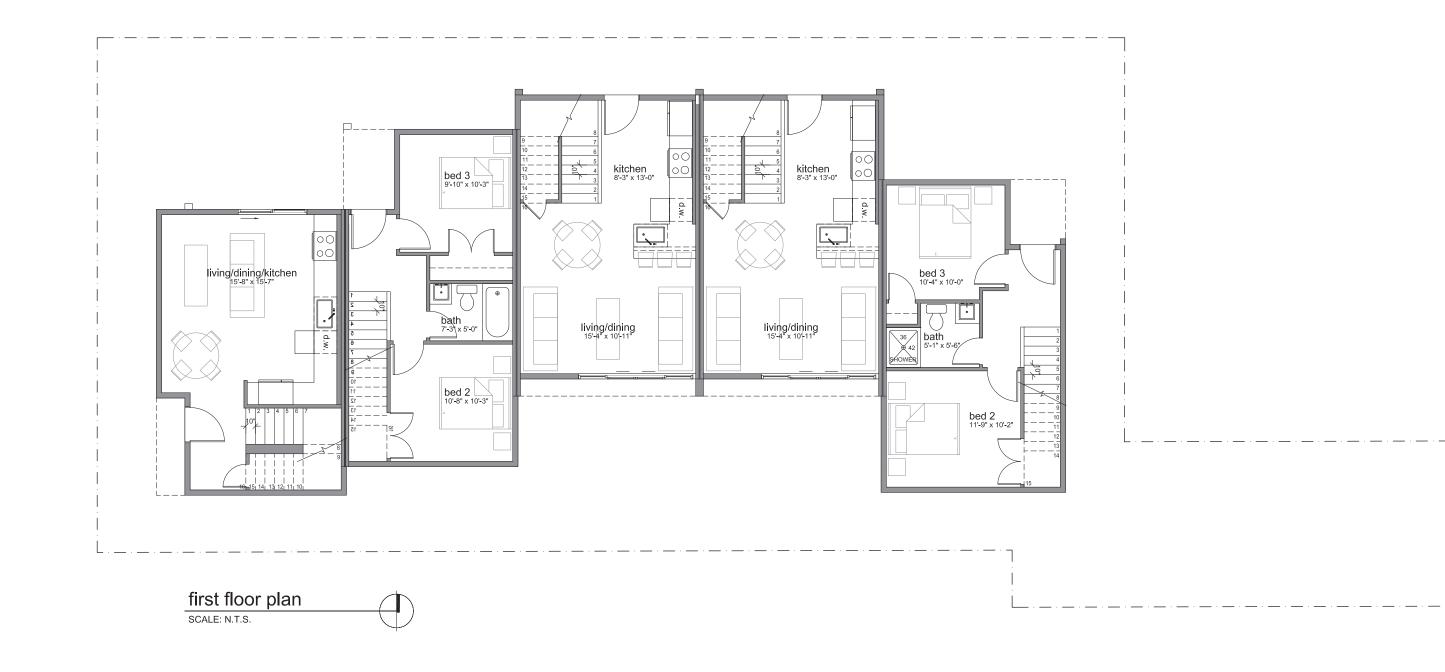
landscape plan



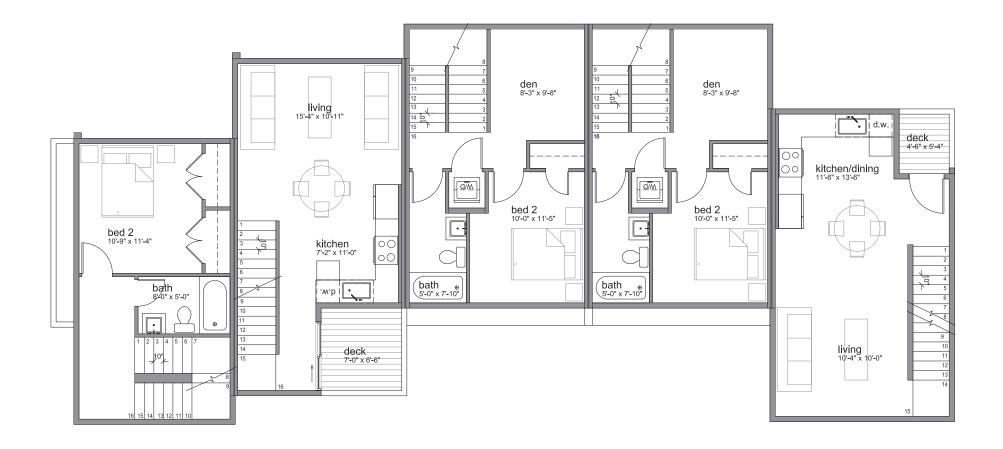
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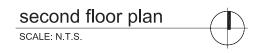


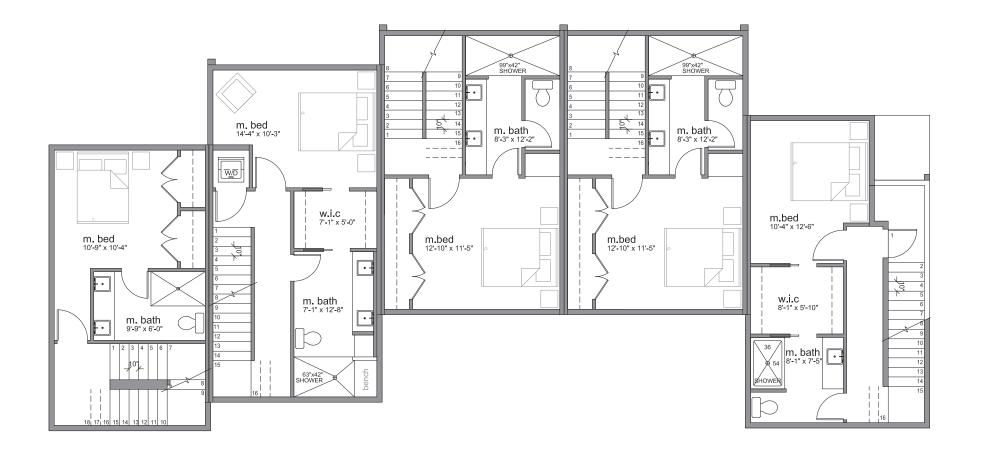
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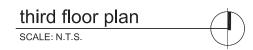


# **PLANS**



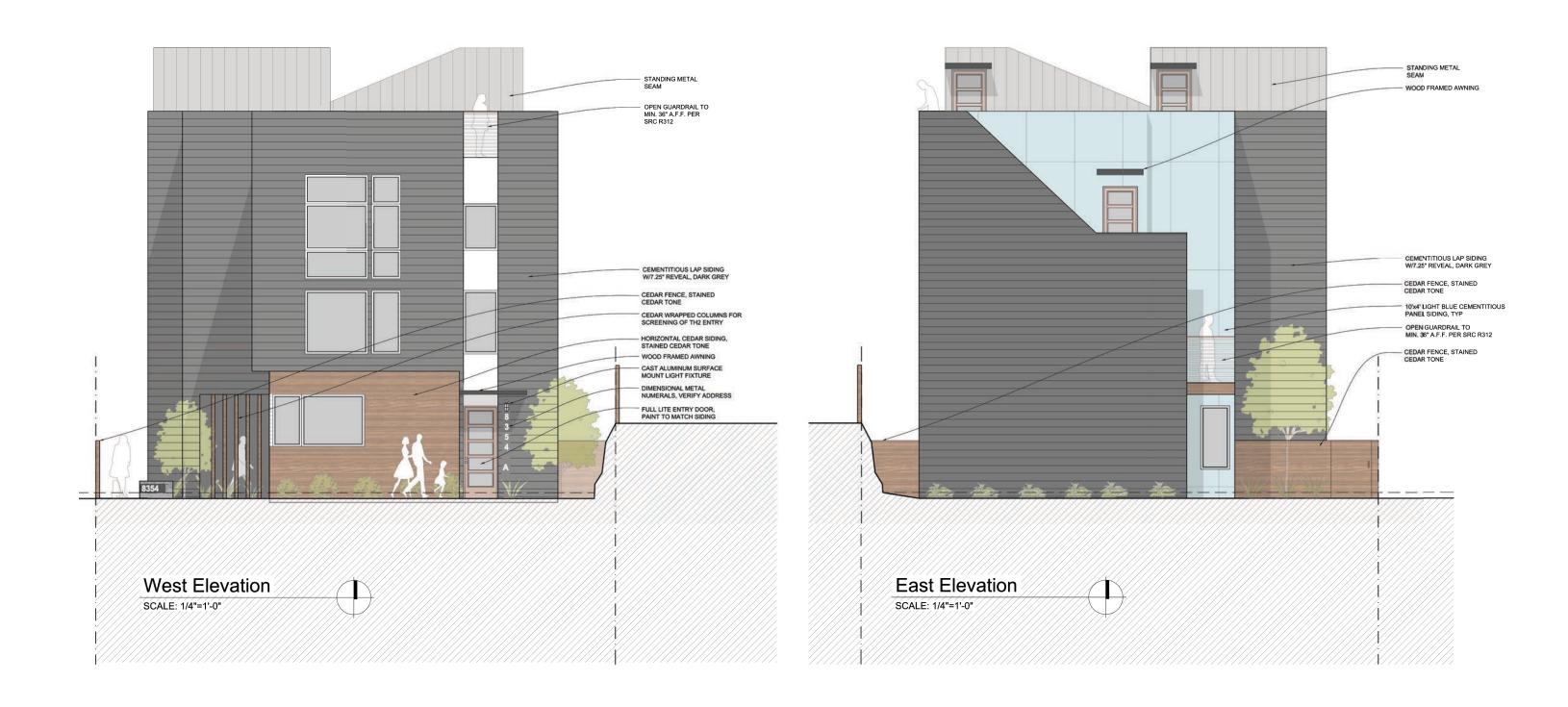












# **ELEVATIONS**





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STREET FACADE

# RENDERINGS







AERIAL - FROM NORTHEAST

# RENDERINGS



PEDESTRIAN PATH

# RENDERINGS