3408 Beacon Ave South

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### **Project Data**

Address: 3408 Beacon Ave S Seattle, WA 98144

**Tax ID Number:** 372680-0276

**SDCI Project Number:** 3041352-EG

Lot Size: 6,379 SF

**Proposal:** multifamily housing. (6) rowhouses.

Vehicle Parking: 2 garages EV ready

Bike Parking: 8 bike racks

**FAR:** 6,379 sf x 1.4 = 8,931 sf allowed (BuiltGreen)

8,930 sf / 6 units = 1,488 sf per unit

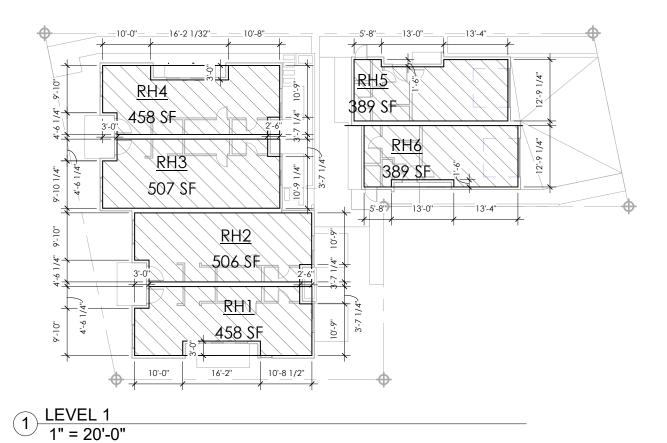
**GFA:** 9,291 sf < 15,000 sf ADR threshold

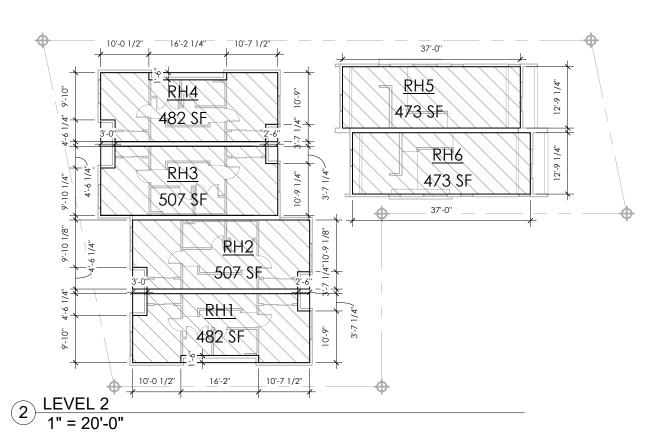
#### FAR (PROPOSED) RH1 458 SF Level 1 Level 2 482 SF Level 3 381 SF 1,321 SF RH2 506 SF Level 1 Level 2 507 SF 406 SF Level 3 1,419 SF RH3 507 SF Level 1 507 SF Level 2 406 SF Level 3 1,421 SF

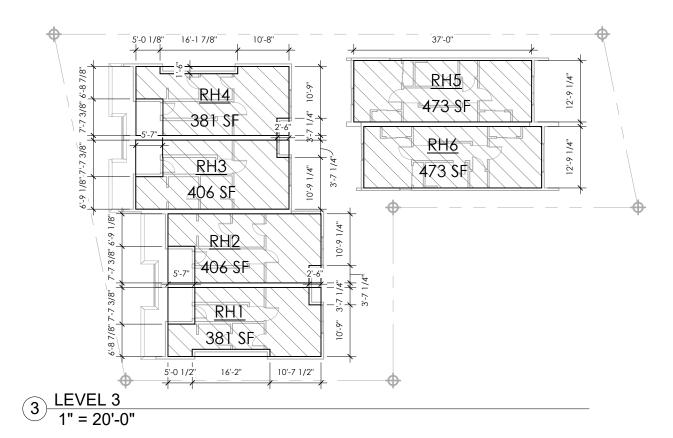
FAR (PROPOSED)		
RH4		
Level 1	458 SF	
Level 2	482 SF	
Level 3	381 SF	
	1,321 SF	
RH5		
Level 1	389 SF	
Level 2	473 SF	
Level 3	473 SF	
Level 4	387 SF	
	1,721 SF	
RH6		
Level 1	389 SF	
Level 2	473 SF	
Level 3	473 SF	
Level 4	387 SF	
	1,722 SF	
TOTAL	8,924 SF	

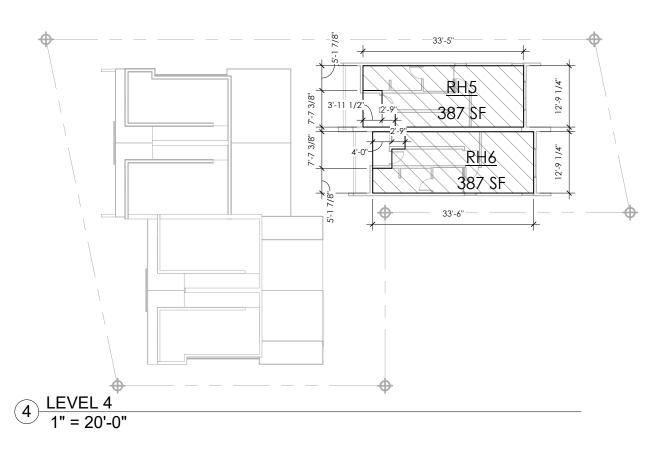
GFA SU	MMARY
bldg 1	
Level 1	2,018 SF
Level 2	2,067 SF
Level 3	1,644 SF
	5,729 SF
bldg 2	
Level 1	807 SF
Level 2	978 SF
Level 3	978 SF
Level 4	798 SF
	3,562 SF
	9,291 SF

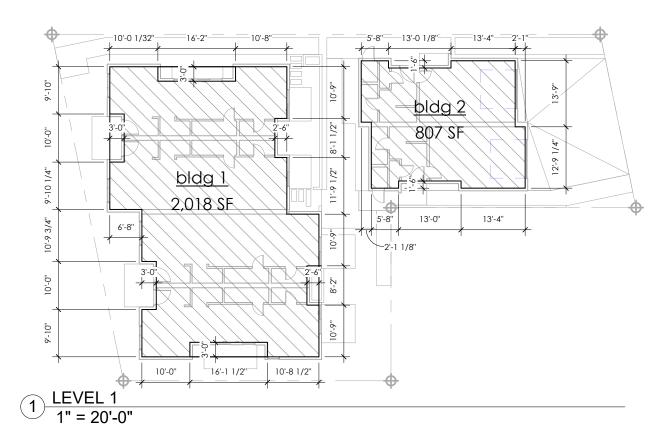
FAR CALCULATION (FAR) SUMMARY			
LOT AREA	Base F.A.R.	ALLOWED	PROPOSED
6,379 SF	1.4	8,931 SF	8,924 SF

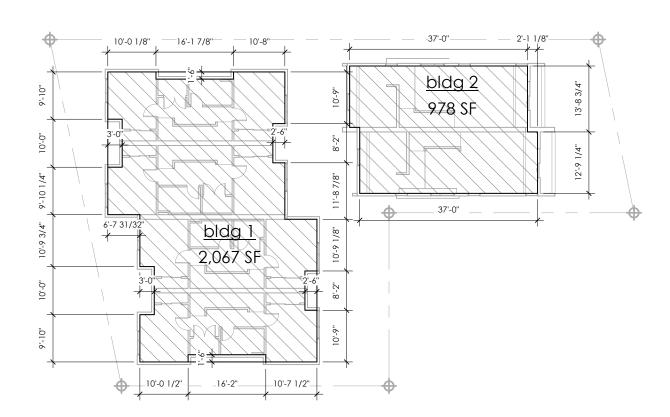




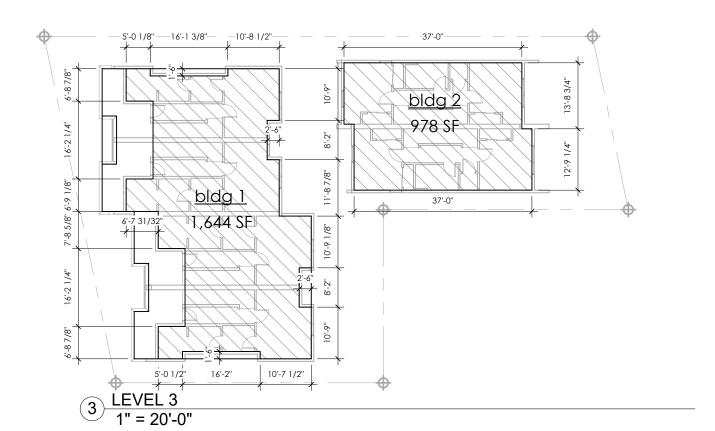


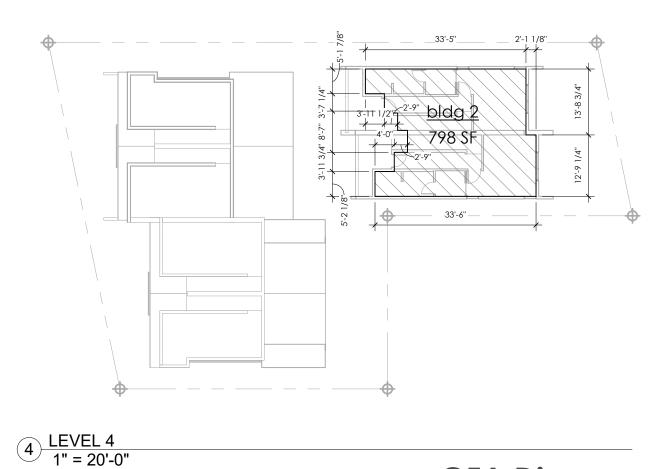






2 LEVEL 2 1" = 20'-0"





<b>Key Metrics</b>	Current	Required/Allowed per SMC 23.45	<u>Proposed</u>
Zone:	LR2 (M) Vehicle Parking:	No Minimum	(2) Spaces
MHA:	Yes, Medium area Bike Parking:	(6)Spaces Required	(8) Spaces Provided
Urban Village:	Yes (North Beacon Hill)	Long-term:	Long-term:
Parking Flexibility:	Yes	<ul><li>(1) Space per Dwelling Unit Short-term: None</li></ul>	<ul><li>(1) Space per Dwelling Unit</li><li>(2) Short-term</li></ul>
	Amenity Area:	25% of Lot Area = 1,595 SF	935 SF ground-related + 1,319 SF non ground-related
	Structure Height:	40' + 4' parapet allowance & 10' penthouse	39'-11'' + 4' parapet/shed bonus
	Beacon Ave Front Setback (West):	5' Min	3.9' Min 7.92' AVG * Please see adjustent request on page 34 14.5'.
	18th Ave Front Setback (East):	5' Min. Garage setback 18'	Garage setback 18'
	Rear Setback (East):	5' Min, 7' AVG	14.5'
	Side Setback (North):	3.5' Min.	5' Min
	Side Setback (South 1):	3.5' Min.	3.5' Min
	Side Setback (South 2):	3.5'Min.	4.5' Min.
	Separation:	10' Min	12.5'
	Facade Length:	65% lot line North 114.08'x0.65= 74.15' South 1 50.97'x0.65= 33.1' South 2 55.65'x0.65= 36.7'	North 75.8' South1 28.4' South2 37.8'

# **Development Standards**

\* Please see adjustent request on page 33



1753 S Horton St



3412 Beacon Ave S



3308 Beacon Ave S

### Stoops, Shared Entry. Green Space Buffer

The precedents gathered integrate green space into the street scape while providing opportunities for community members to engage with the landscape. Common stoops are utilized to provide necessary transitions from public right of way and to engage adjacent residents. These design moves are demonstrated in the entry series of the proposed design.



3400 Beacon Ave S



3427 Alamo PIS



2915 14th Ave S

### Materiality + Contextual Form

Precedents gathered highlight contextual materials and form from the surrounding structures. Gables, varied facade depth, and other historic residential vernacular define this neighborhood. Brick and wood similarly define the area's development. The highlighted precedents incorporate some or all of these features to help integrate with neighborhood context and reduce the perceived building mass of the larger structures.

#### HIGH-IMPACT METHOD:

We mailed flyers in a 500 foot radius from the site. Flyers provided information about the project and location, as well as a QR code to scan and access to the project website and on-line survey.

## SEEKING COMMUNITY INPUT

EARLY COMMUNITY OUTREACH FOR DESIGN REVIEW

We'd like to hear from you!



### **SCAN ME**

O LEARN MORE ABOUT **VIST OUR WEBSITE\* TAKE AN ONLINE SURVEY**\*\*



Early Community Outreach was realized during August and Approved by the Department of Neighborhoods on 11/01/23

QR Code to easily access the online survey and dedicated website





### 3408 Beacon Ave S SDCI #004261-23PA

Yuhan Ma and JW Architects are aiming to design the redevelopment of 3408 Beacon Ave S. This project will have convenient access to the grocery stores, neighborhood parks and schools. The proposal is for (4) \*\*ree-story rowhouses and (2) four-story units with (2) attached garages. This project will be located near the intersection of S Hinds St and Beacon Ave S. We're just getting started planning now – construction could start in Fall 2024 and the building could be open as early as Winter 2025.

### What type of feedback is the Design Review looking for?

- Reference unique neighborhood features and character
- Building forms and materials, sidewalk experience



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oject please visit the Seattle For additional information on the Service Portal (SDCI), record number 004261-23PA or project address.

\*https://iwaseattleoutreal.o.wixsite.com/3408 \*\* https://jwaseattleoutreach.wixsite.com/3408survey \*Survey will be end on 25th september 2023 ANY INFORMATION COLLECTED MAY BE MADE PUBLIC THROUGH THE CITY OF SEATTL

**English Flyer** 

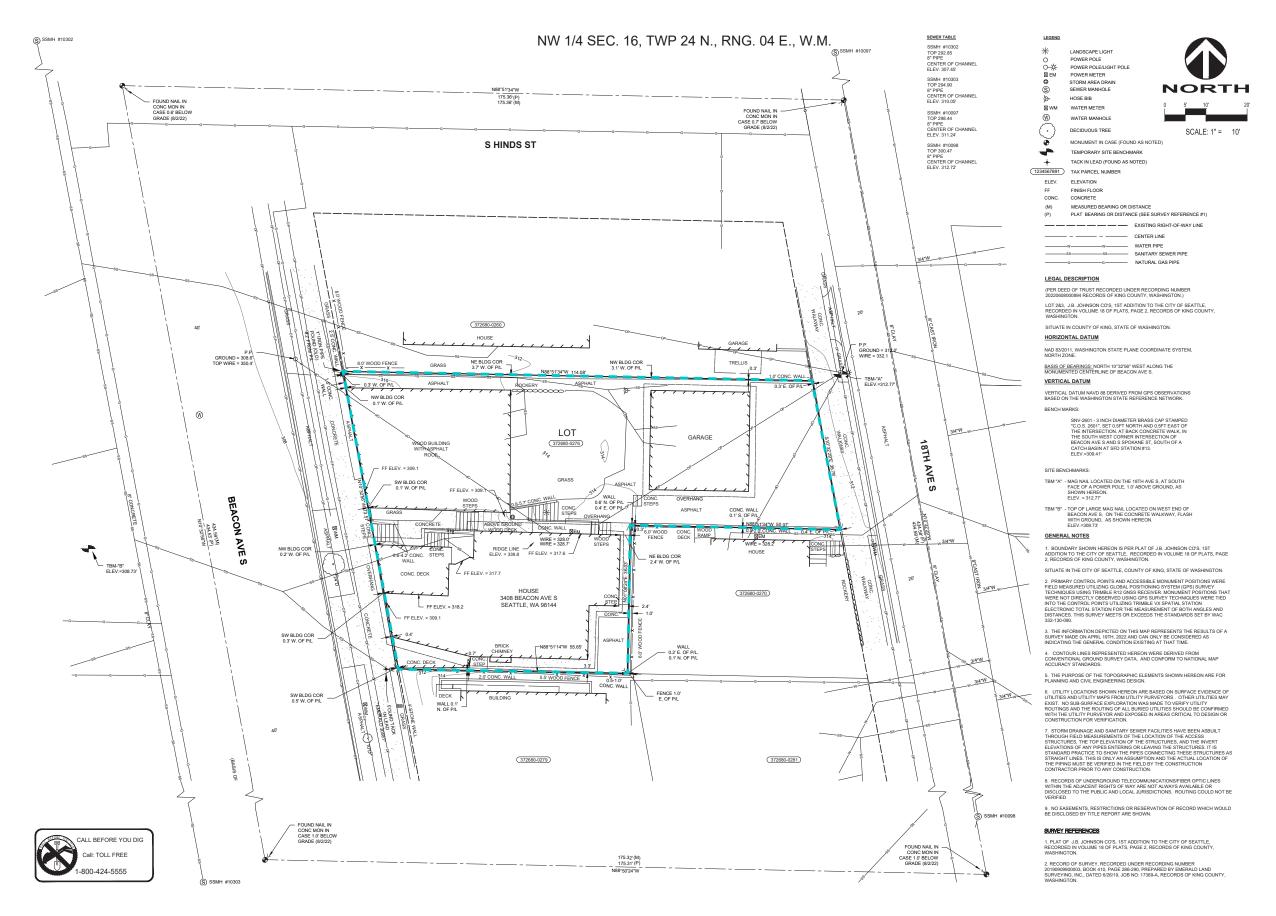
Link to dedicated project website and public comments.

-Link to project website and survey.

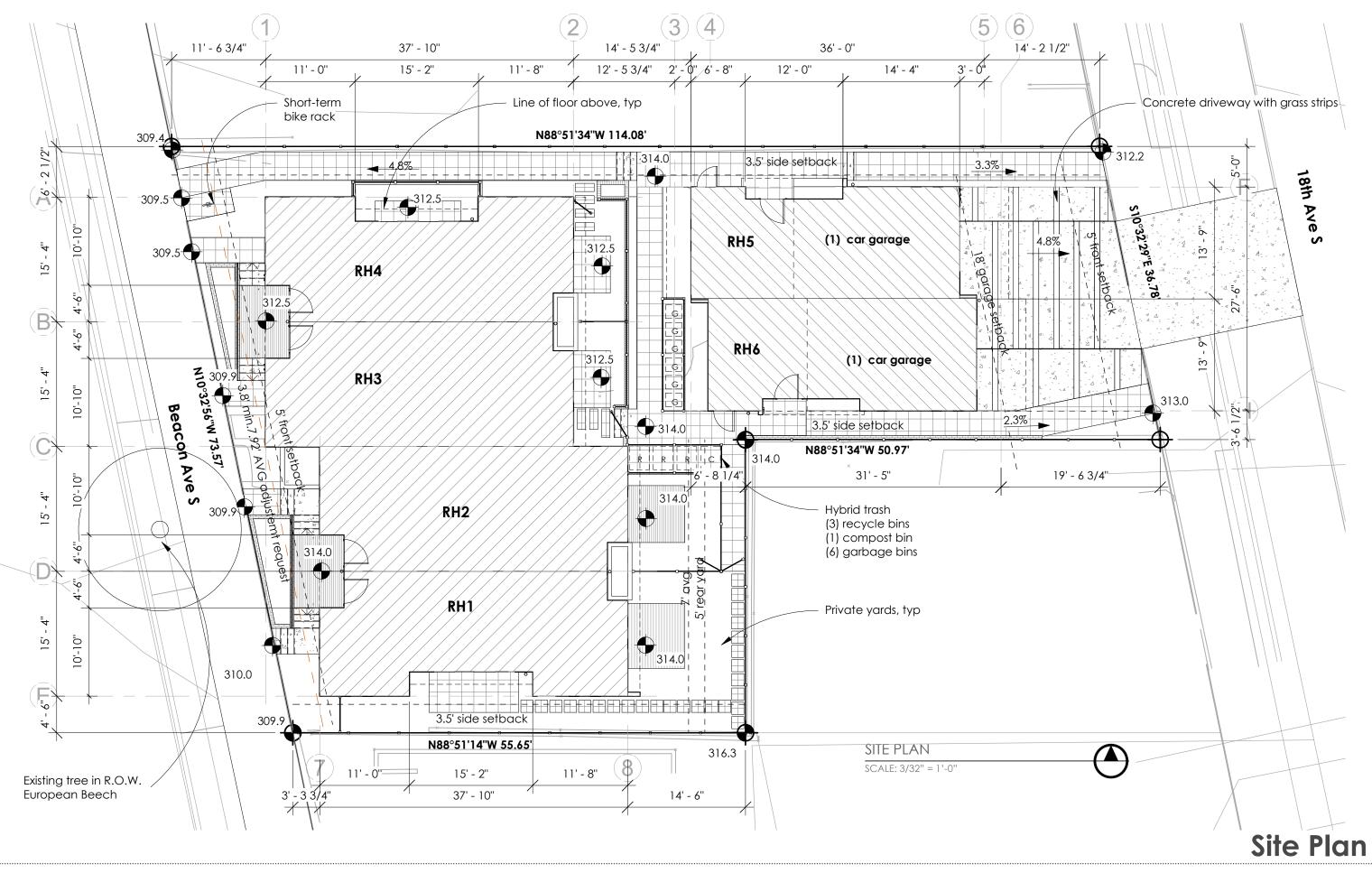
#### **OVERALL SUMMARY:**

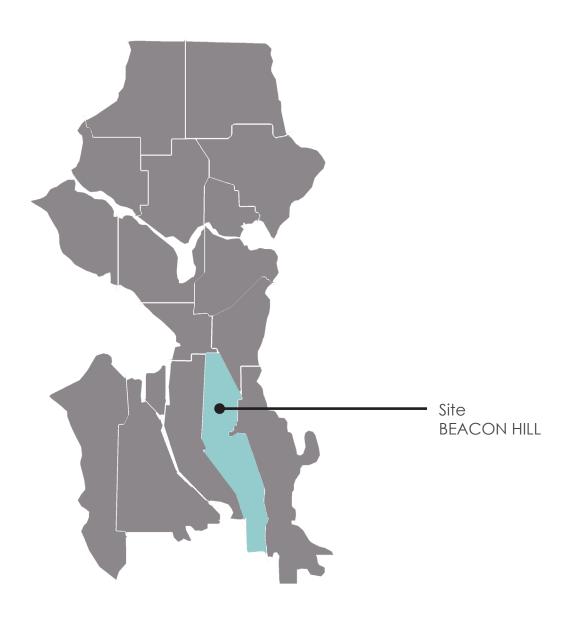
In summary, the project team was able to reach multiple people through this outreach. We mailed flyers to residences in a 500 foot radius from the site. The flyer notified people of the project and provided some basic information about the design. The flyer also provided a QR code to easily access to the on-line survey and to the website with a commenting function. The website along with the survey was created on September 1st and ran until September 22nd. The website for the project will permanently stay on-line to document our outreach work with the commenting option while the survey was kept on-line for at least 3 weeks. In addition, the project was posted on the DON calendar and blog. As a result of these types of outreach, we were able to gather information from the public about what they value in future development, such as quality materials at street-level and lots of plants and greenery, as well as some of their concerns regarding parking availability and the scale and look of the new building. Overall, this design review outreach created an opportunity for us to gather information from residents of the neighborhood and allowed us to provide information on the proposed site and the design process.

## **Public Outreach Summary**



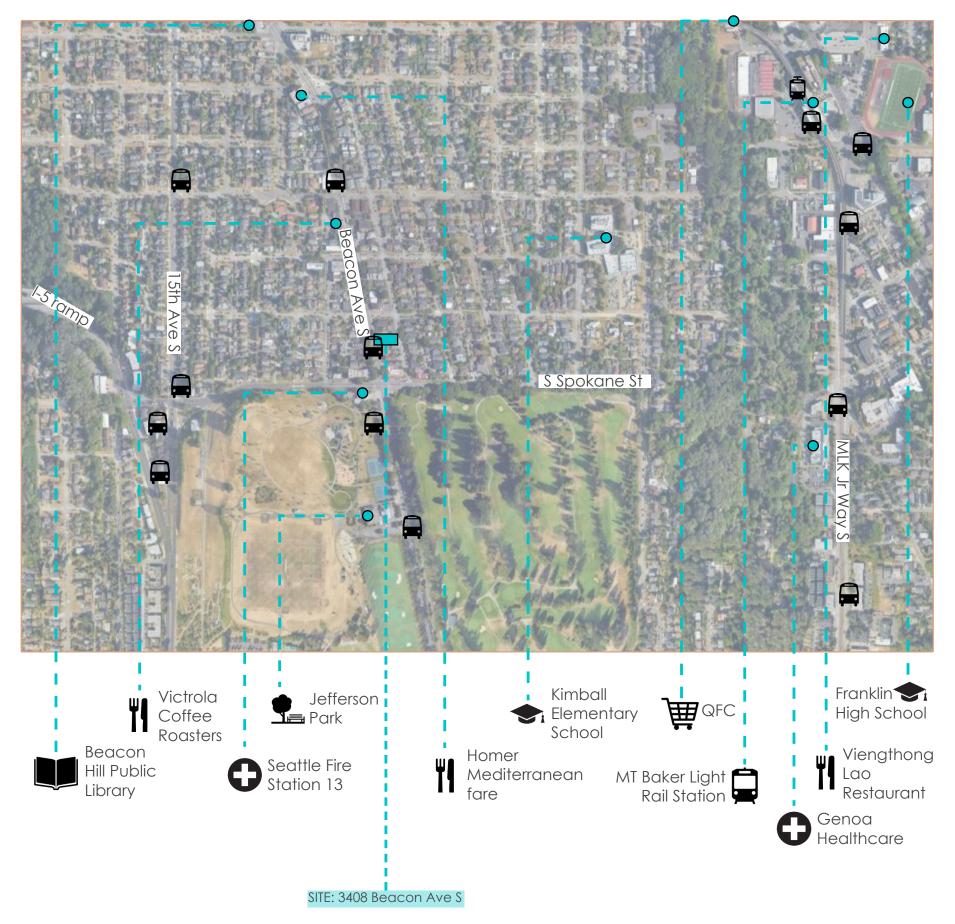
## **Project Site & Survey**







**EXISTING SITE** 



Scale: NTS





1. Modern Multi-Family Housing 3411 Beacon Ave S



2. Craftsman Homes 3204 19th Ave S



3. Retail 3309A Beacon Ave S



**4.** Jefferson Park

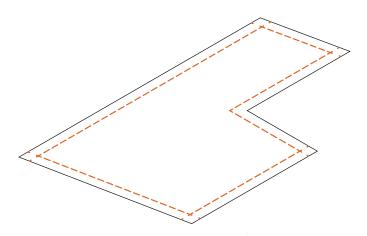
### **Neighborhood**

The project at 3408 Beacon Ave S is located in a LR2 (M) zone. The surrounding area host many multifamily housing projects either built or under construction. In addition to neighbors of similar size and scale, this project will also enjoy proximity to many different amenities such as nearby parks, libraries, healthcare, and restaurants.

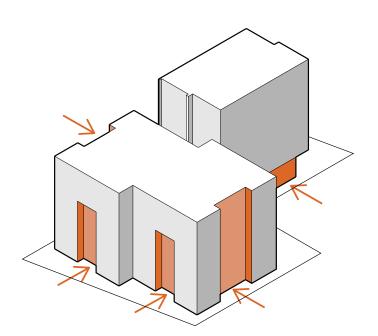




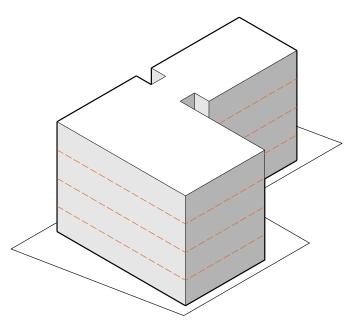
SEATTLE DESIGN GUIDELINES		DESIGN RESPONSE
CS1 Natural Systems and Site Features	B. Sunlight and Natural Ventilation	The project is broken into 3 sets of paired homes that increase southern exposure; this maximizes natural light in each unit. Windows were strategically placed to optimize daylighting according to the internal program. To promote natural ventilation, operable windows were placed in strategic locations through out the design allow for passive ventilation
CS2 Urban Pattern and Form	B. Adjacent Sites, Streets, and Open Paces	This project utilizes a change of materials at moments of massing modulation to define program and frame uses. The modulated form and correlated highlighted facades connect with the public realm and break the mass. Larger shared stoops work similarly and are highlighted to promote them as spaces for interaction. These elements provide a break from the busy street (Beacon Ave) while hosting large enough outdoor "rooms" for community interaction. On 18th Ave, wood-clad entries highlight paths of travel and create protected entries for row houses 5 and 6.
CS3 Architectural Context and Character	A. Emphasizing Positive Neighborhood Attributes	The project is scaled at the street level with an slightly recessed entry that welcomes residents into a shared stoop condition. The stoop condition is an attribute that can be seen throughout the neighborhood. The alcove utilizes wood siding as it's common in the area and often enhances the street level experience. The stoop are protected by landscape elements to provide some privacy while improving the pedestrian experience. Articulation of roof profiles help to situate this project within the residential context.
PL1. Open Space and Connectivity	B. Walkways and Connectivity	A common northern circulation passage was chosen to engage with the pedestrian experience. This pathway provides residents a variety of places to occupy and interact while being surrounded by landscape elements. With the modulation at the northern passageway, visible access to the building is prioritized for pedestrians. Modulated wall forms provide relief in the passageway and outdoor engagement spaces for adjacent units.
PL3. Street Level Interaction	A. Entries	Coupled entries have been scaled and detailed to provide a unique and personal entry sequence while still fostering resident to resident interaction. Lighting, addressing, and awnings are provided at each entrance. There are also stoop conditions in both masses that offer privacy and safety.
	C. Residential Edges	Creating a safe vibrant community is highlighted in the entry condition of the design by creating a blend of shared and public spaces. The project takes que from a traditional residential entry sequence and applies it to a rowhouse project. Using a stoop condition divided by different design elements to create a safe, personalized entry sequence that embraces both a single family and rowhouse style of living.
DC1. Project Uses and Activites	A. Arrangement of Interior Uses     B. Vehicular Access and Circulation     C. Parking and Service Uses	This project is situated in a very interesting intersection of small scale residential housing, a growing and densifying arterial street, and an adjacent park. The project seeks to bridge between these site characteristics through a variety of formal and material moves. Fostering a strong street-edge experience on Beacon Ave while providing relief on 18th Ave helps set up the groundwork for this project's architectural concept. This architecturally defining tension can be seen as Beacon Ave fronting units are coupled and present open feeling entries while the 18th Ave fronting units are set back from the street and provide breathing room for neighbors on all sides.
DC2. Architectural Concept	A. Massing	The massing was created to fit the scale of the project context, maximize outdoor space, and most importantly maximize eyes on the street. By creating graphic punches into the building mass that are highlighted by color and windows, pedestrians will understand there is always someone watching. This is intended to improve public safety which is a clear problem based on our community outreach responses. Additionally, these notches further reduce the scale using modulation and minimizing the structure's perceived mass.
	B. Architectural and Facade composition	Design Response: White lap siding and gray board and batten will be the primary building material to be complemented by red cementitious panel and cedar siding at entries and decks. These materials were found throughout the community in context research.
	D. Scale and Texture	Beacon Ave facade is modulated on a two story white lap siding base with red hardie panel carved decks on the third level that help reduce the scale and adds modulation to the street facade.18th Ave is composed by a board and batten base over a 3 story wood massing that bring some warmth to the facade as well as help reducing the perceive massing.
DC3. Open Space Concept	A. Building-Open Space Relationship	While this project is constrained by powerlines, setbacks, and driveway backing distances, providing open space to the residents was one of the primary design objectives. The open space is organized in a way that provides a useful space for the residents while incorporating the program needs. RH1-RH4 living room opens up to the yard encouraging the indoor-outdoor connection. RH3-RH4 yards are set up 1.5 feet below the common pathway allowing for some privacy while maintaining some sense of community. 3 feet tall fences are proposed to encourage the residents engagement while defining each unit space. Additionally, all units incorporate roof decks nested into their butterfly roofs.
DC4. Exterior Elements and Materials	A. Exterior Elements and Finishes	The building exterior is constructed with durable and easy to maintain materials while also being attractive in texture and pattern. Lap siding, board and batten, and cementitious panel provide durability while cedar in protected areas helps create an aesthetically interesting facade. In tandem, these materials reflect those typically utilized in the surrounding community.
	D. Trees, Landscape and Hard scape materials	Trees and vegetation were placed with careful consideration on the site. Located to highlight view corridors of the downtown area, hide trash enclosure, soften the courtyards southern edge, and separate the stoop entry condition. Green space will be a focal point for anyone who is walking along the path. Hard scape materials and landscaping are design throughout to emphasize the project goal of safety and individual unit layouts



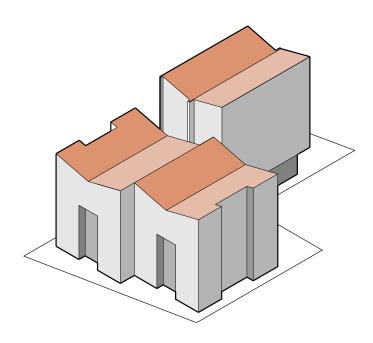
1. Setbacks



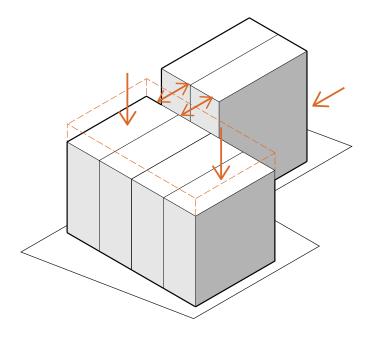
4. RH 1&2 recess entry and modulate side facades. RH 5&6 recess base&entry.



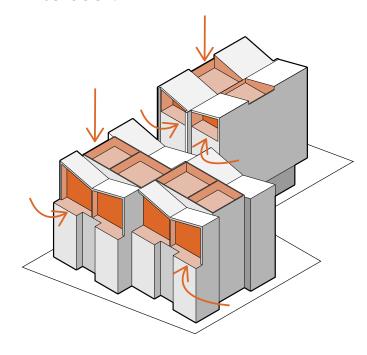
2. Maximum development within zoning limits. 40' tall and maximum facade length.



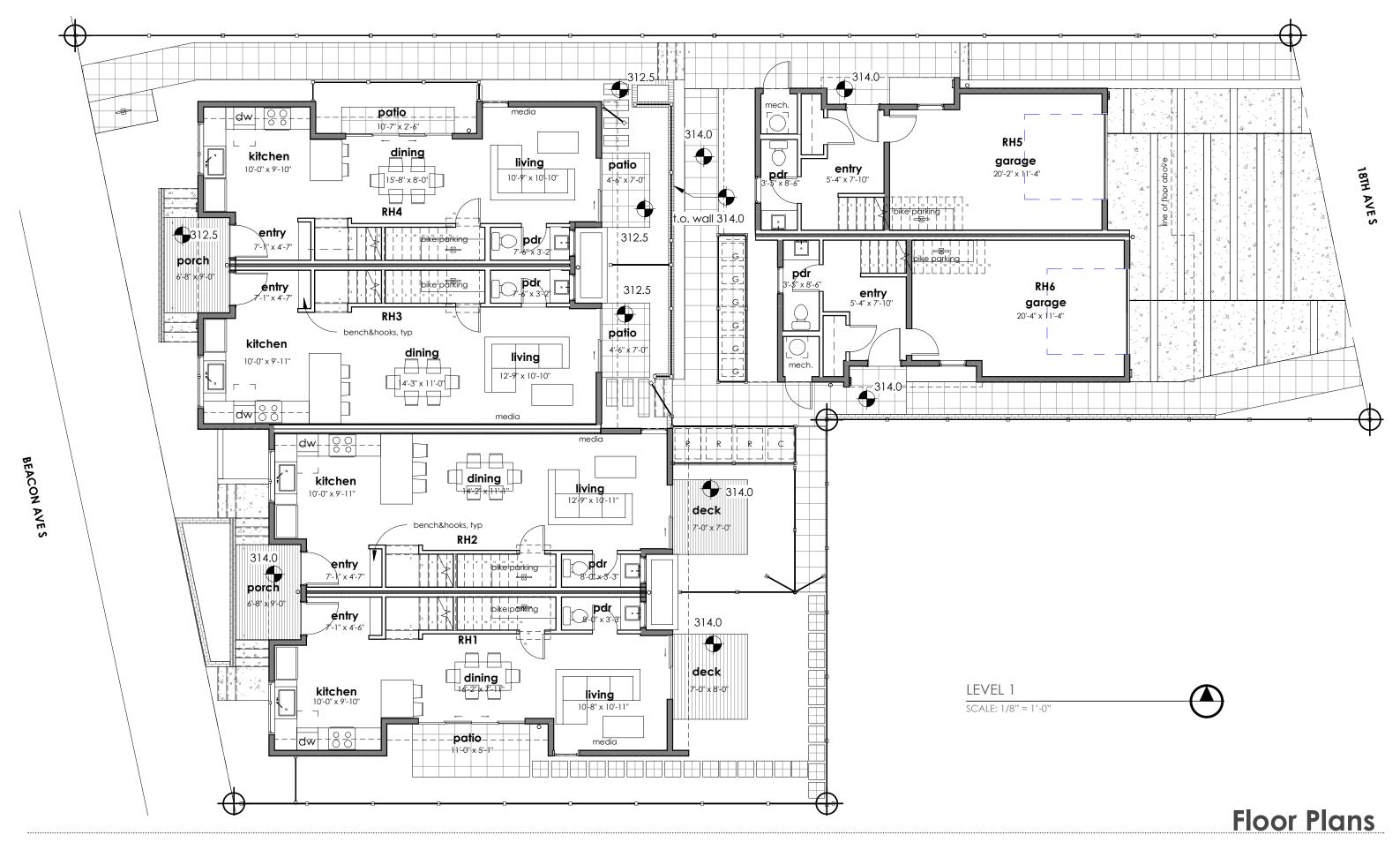
5. Roof shape to define individual units.



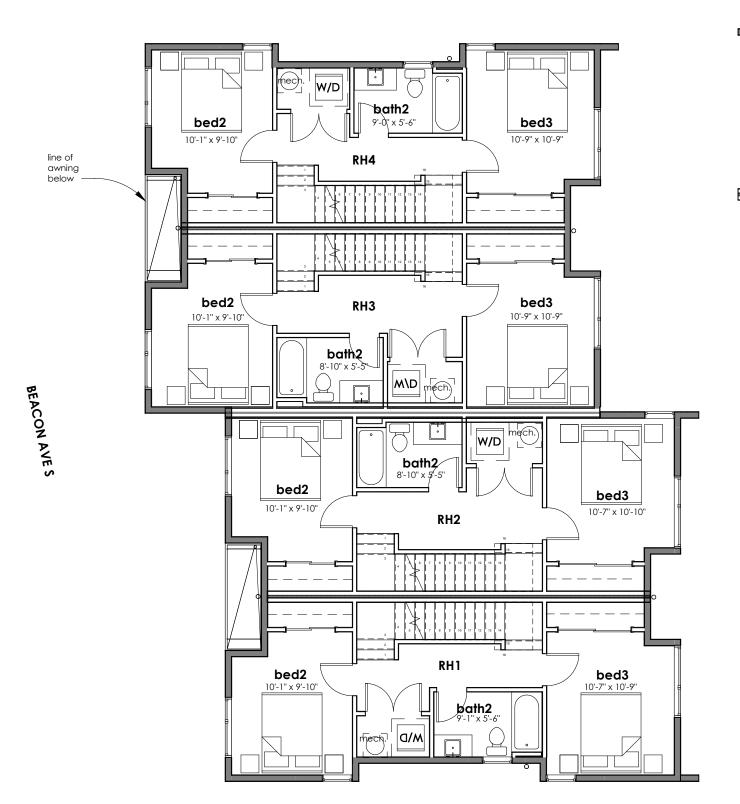
3. Massing divides in two buildings. Front building reduces height to 3 stories. RH 5&6 incorporate garage setback.

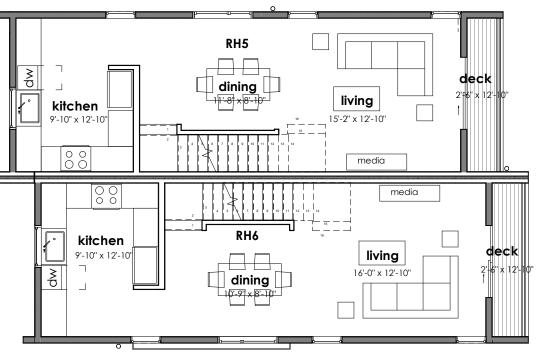


6. Incorporate decks and roof decks.



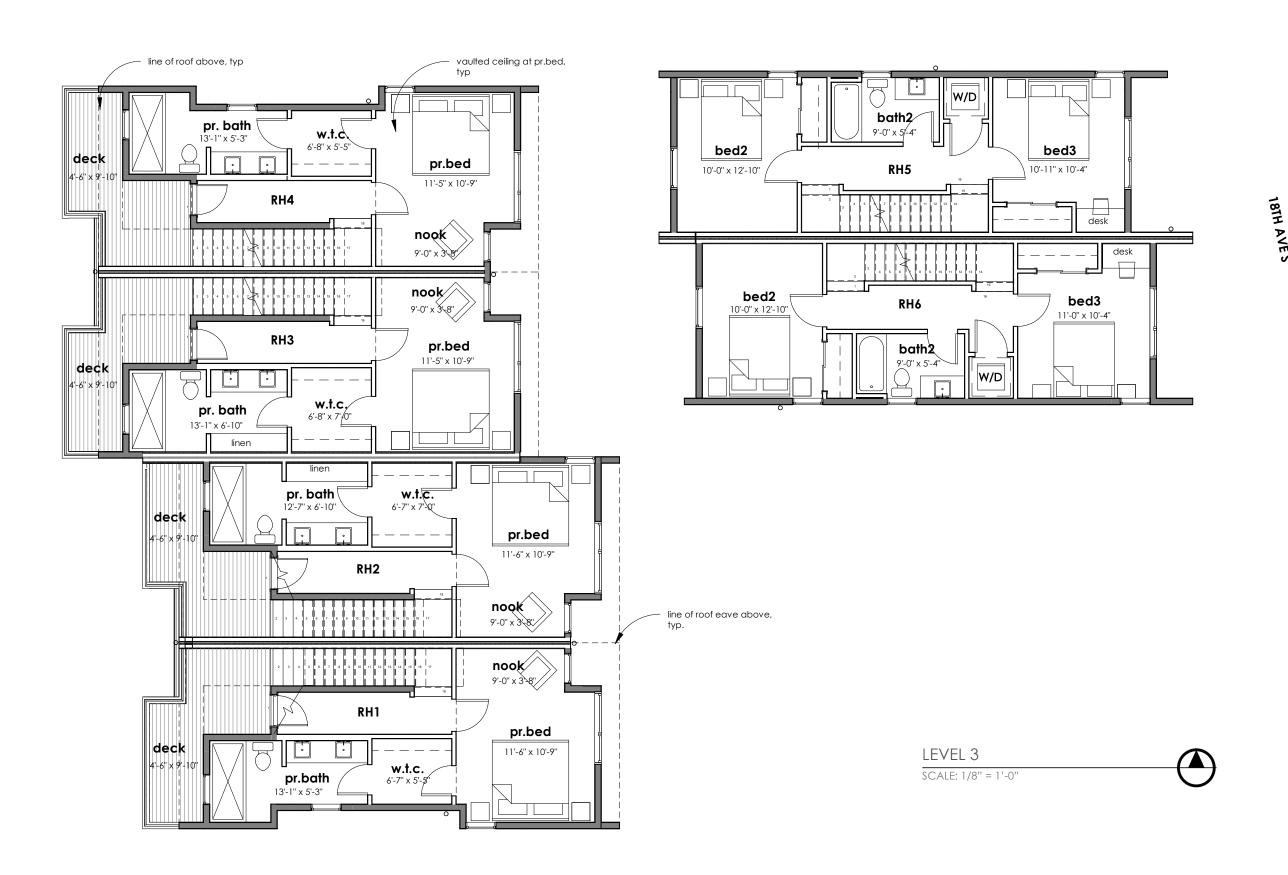




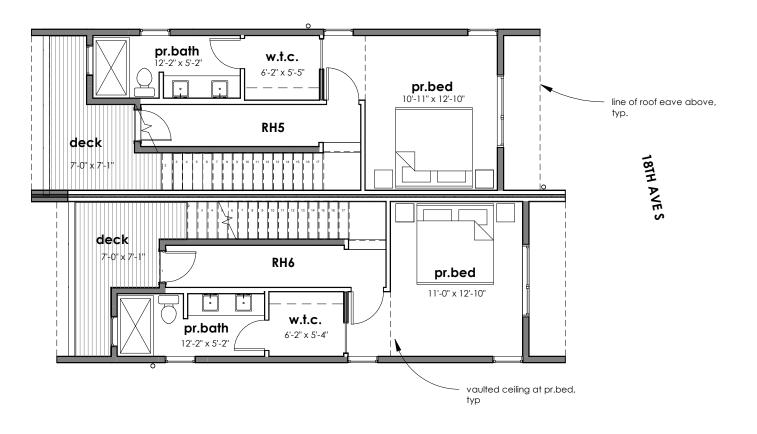




## **Floor Plans**



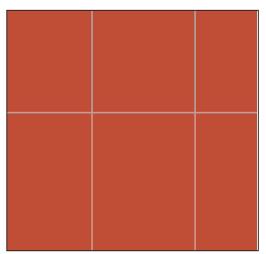
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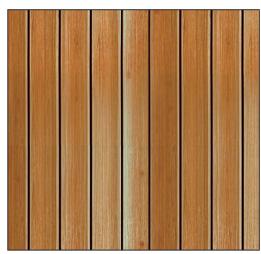


7/16" James Hardie Panel

Sherwin Williams #6881 Cayenne

Utilized as accent color in recessed decks and West elevation RH5-6

## 4. Cedar Siding



1"x4" T&G Cedar Siding

Utilized as accent material at entries

## 2. White Lap

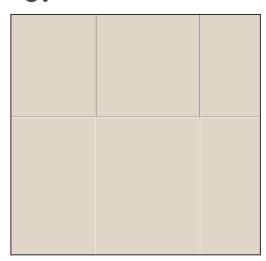


Horizontal Lap Siding w/ 6" Reveal

Sherwin Williams #7516 Kestrel White

Utilized as main material

## 5. White Panel

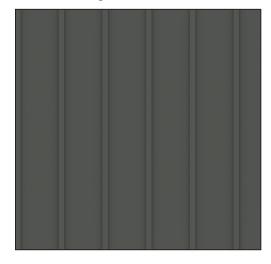


7/16" James Hardie Panel

Sherwin Williams #7516 Kestrel White

Utilized as banding material between windows

### 3. Grey Board & Batt

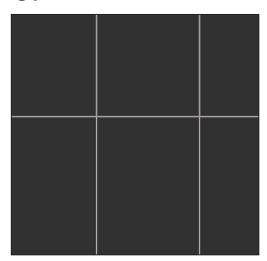


4'x8' Hardie Panel with 1x2 battens @12" O.C.

Sherwin Williams #7068 Grizzle Gray

Utilized as base material for RH5-6 and recess area in Bldg1

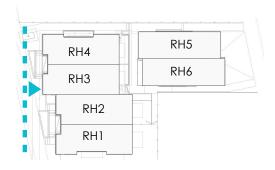
## 6. Black Panel

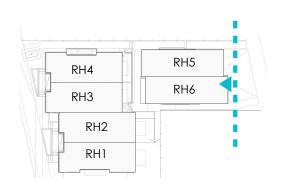


7/16" James Hardie Panel

Sherwin Williams #6991 Black Magic

Utilized as accent materials on fin walls and roofs.



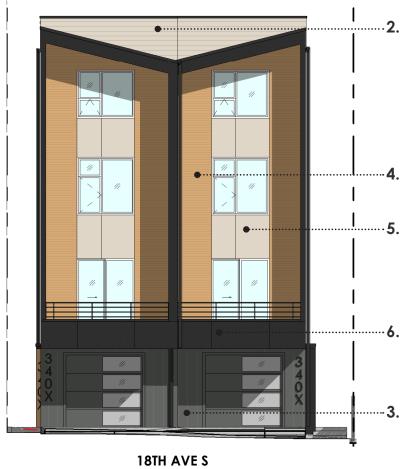




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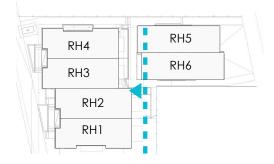
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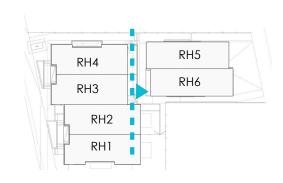
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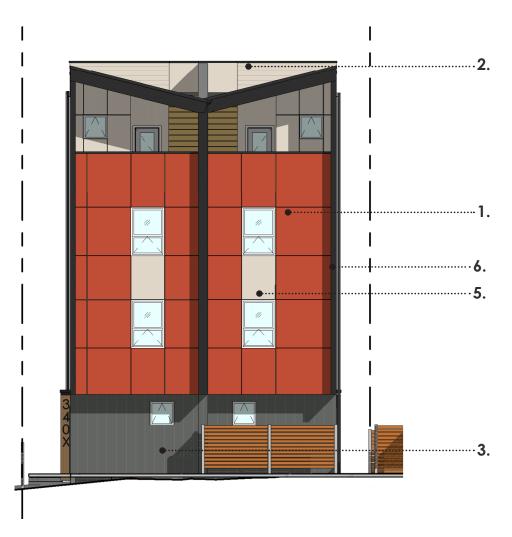
EAST ELEVATION BUILDING 2

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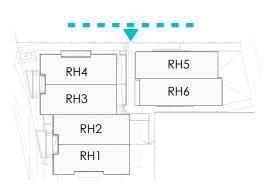


EAST ELEVATION BUILDING 1

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WEST ELEVATION BUILDING 2
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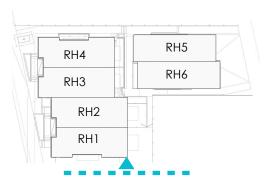




NORTH ELEVATION BUILDINGS 1&2

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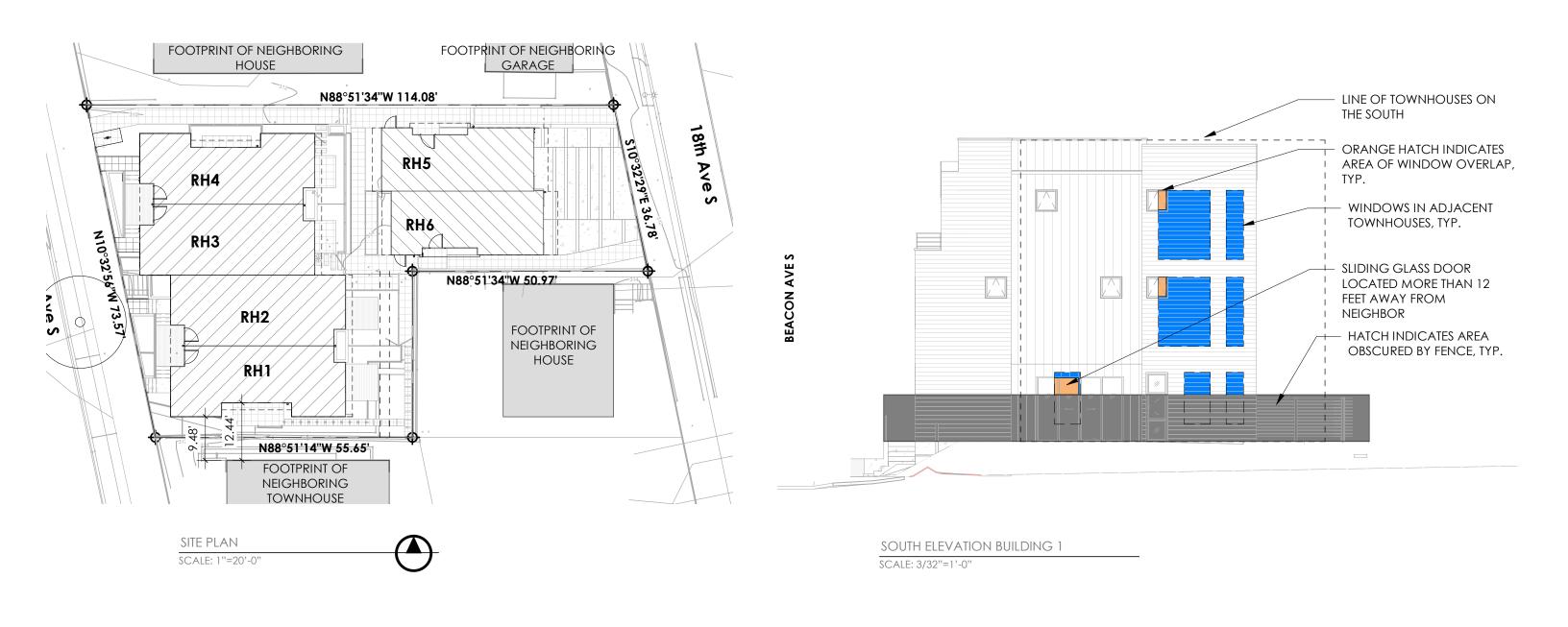




SOUTH ELEVATION BUILDINGS 1&2

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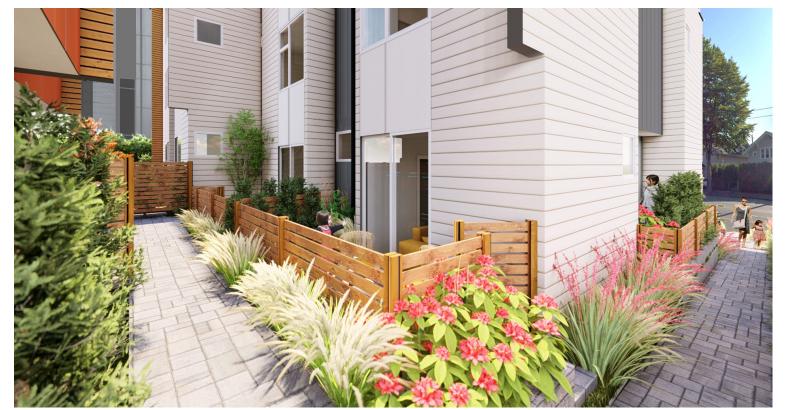
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# Window Adjacency Diagram

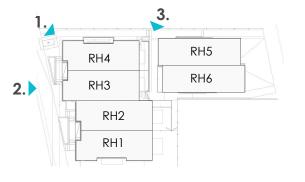


1. APPROACH FROM BEACON AVE S





2. VIEW FROM BEACON AVE S



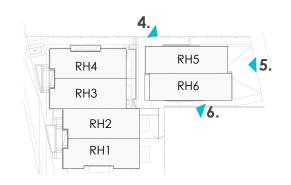
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4. APPROACH RH5



5. VIEW FROM 18TH AVE S



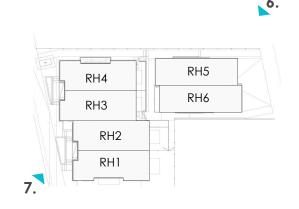
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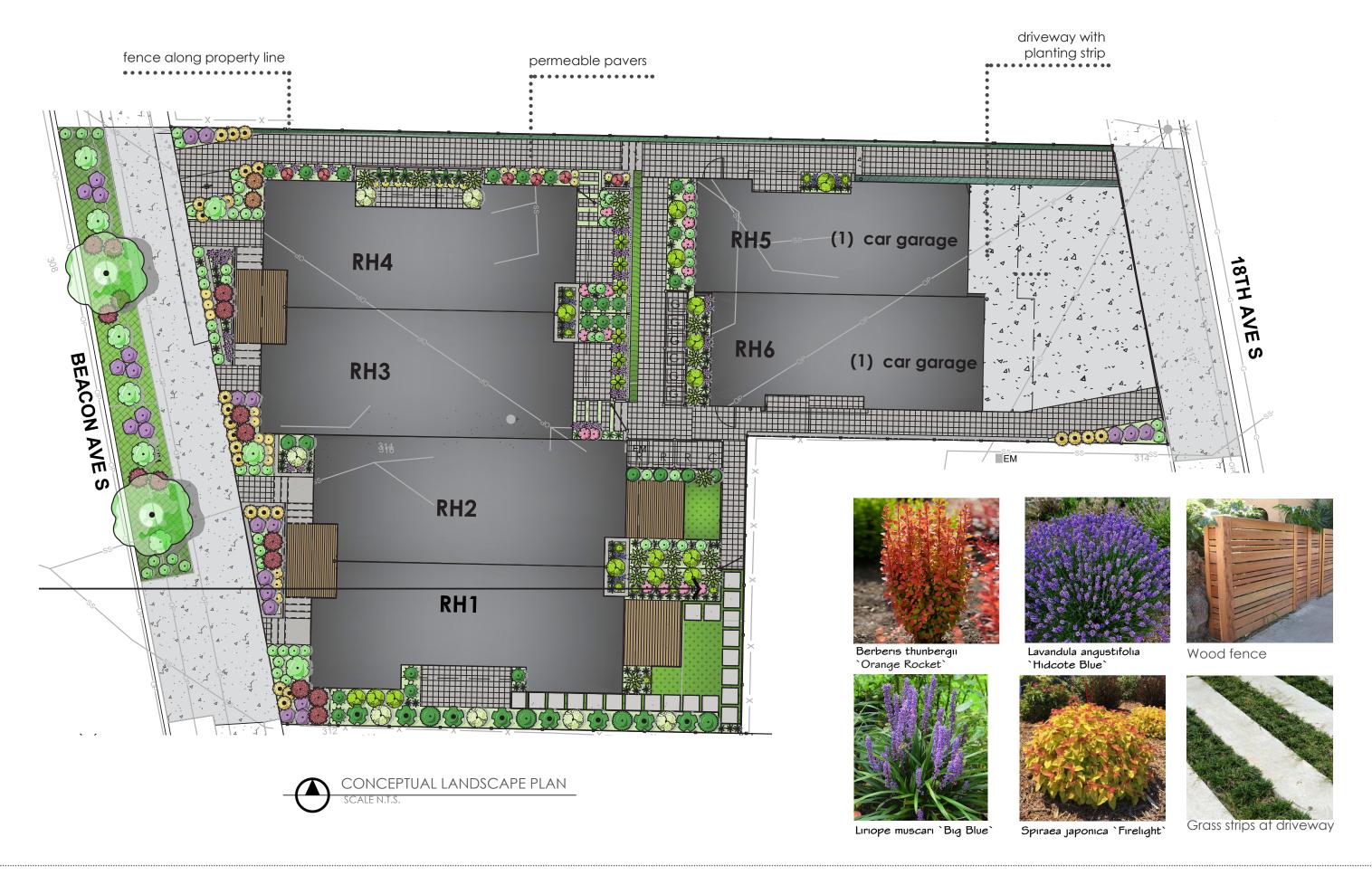


6. AERIAL VIEW FROM 18TH AVE S

7. AERIAL VIEW FROM BEACON AVE S



# Renderings



## PLANT SCHEDULE

### SYMBOL BOTANICAL / COMMON NAME

### SHRUBS

Acorus gramineus 'Ogon' / Golden Variegated Sweetflag Berberis thunbergii 'Crimson Pygmy' / Crimson Pygmy Barberry



Berberis thunbergii 'Orange Rocket' / Orange Rocket Barberry



Calamagrostis x acutiflora 'Karl Foerster' / Feather Reed Grass Calluna vulgaris 'Spring Cream' / Spring Cream Heather



Calluna vulgaris 'Wickwar Flame' / Wickwar Flame Heather



Carex morrowii 'Ice Dance' / Ice Dance Japanese Sedge Carex oshimensis 'Everillo' / Everillo Japanese Sedge



Cyrtomium fortunei / Japanese Holly Fern



Dicentra formosa / Pacific Bleeding-Heart



Epimedium x rubrum / Red Barrenwort



Hosta x 'Brim Cup' / Brim Cup Hosta llex crenata 'Sky Pencil' / Sky Pencil Japanese Holly





Juncus effusus / Soft Rush Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote Blue' / Hidcote Blue Lavender

Pennisetum alopecuroides 'Hameln' / Hameln Dwarf Fountain Grass



Liriope muscari 'Big Blue' / Big Blue Lilyturf



Mahonia repens / Creeping Oregon Grape



Nandina domestica 'Gulf Stream' TM / Heavenly Bamboo



Pieris japonica 'Cavatine' / Lily of the Valley Bush



Sarcococca hookeriana humilis / Dwarf Sweet Box

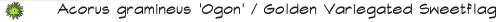


Sarcococca ruscifolia / Fragrant Sarcococca



Spiraea japonica 'Firelight' / Firelight Spirea

### BIORETENTION







Cornus alba 'Gouchaultii' / Goldenleaf Dogwood

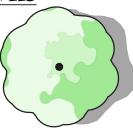


Cornus sericea 'Flaviramea' / Yellow Twig Dogwood



Cornus sericea 'Kelseyi' / Kelseyi Dogwood Iris x 'Pacific Coast Iris' / Pacific Coast Iris

### SYMBOL BOTANICAL /COMMON NAME TREES



Faqus sylvatica / Green Beech Street Tree - Single leader







Pennisetum alopecuroides `Hameln`





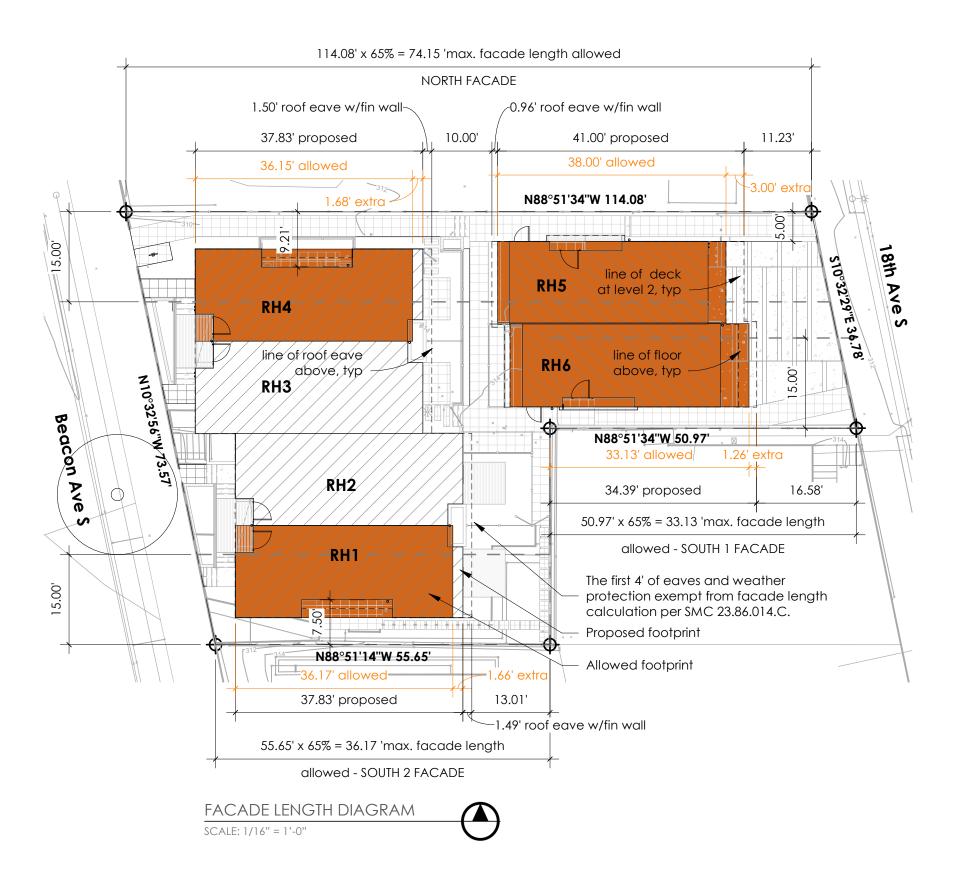
Fagus sylvatica



Iris x `Pacific Coast Iris







#### CODE CITATION:

### SMC 23.45.527.B.

1. The maximum combined length of all portions of facades within 15 feet of a lot line that is neither a rear lot line nor a street or alley lot line shall not exceed 65 percent of the length of that lot line, except as specified in subsection 23.45.527.B.2.

#### CODE REQUIREMENT:

Maximum facade length allowed is 65% of lot depth

FACADE LENGTH CALCULATION				
ORIENTATION	LOT DEPTH	% LOT DEPTH	ALLOWED	PROPOSED
NORTH	114.08 ft	65	74.15 ft	78.83 ft
SOUTH 1	50.97 ft	65	33.13 ft	34.39 ft
SOUTH 2	55.65 ft	65	36.17 ft	37.83 ft

### North Facade:

78.83' facade length proposed > 74.15' facade length allowed South 1 Facade:

34.39' facade length proposed > 33.13' facade length allowed South 2 Facade:

37.83' facade length proposed > 36.17' facade length allowed

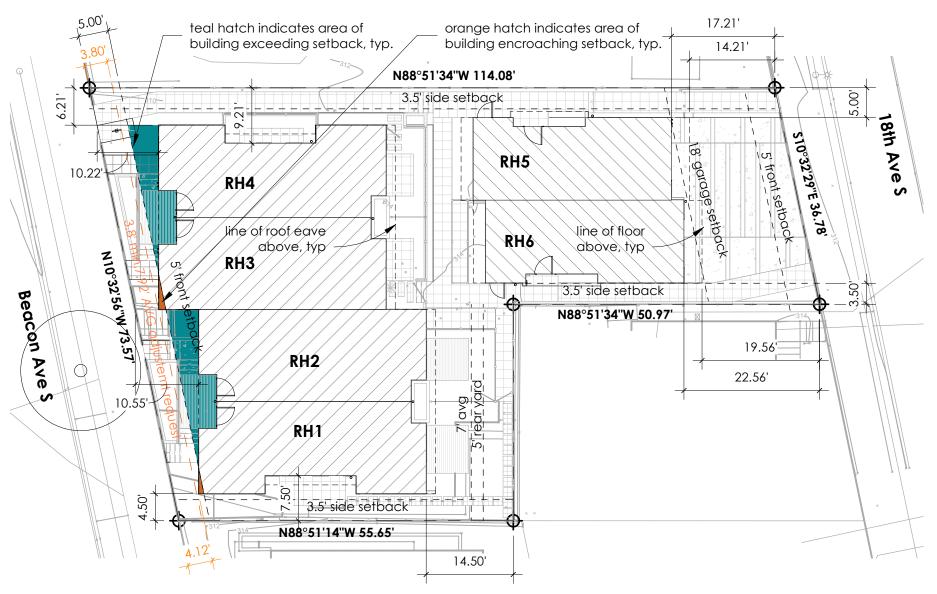
### PROPOSED DESIGN DEPARTURE:

We propose to exceed 4.68' (North) and 2.92' (South) of the maximum facade length allowed per SMC 23.45.527.B.1. Per SMC 23.41.018.D.3 the facade length may be increased by a maximum of 10%.

### **RATIONALE:**

This adjustment helps having more efficient units facing Beacon Ave as well as better articulation on both facades following Seattle Design Guideline-Architectural Concept (DC2-A.2, B.1 & C.1). This articulation reflects the inside program where the space is maximized. The project team proposes breaking down the mass into three volumes that help reducing the scale and material transitions. The recesses plane has a different material treatment in dark gray to accentuate that intention. The proposed adjustment will allow for a better articulation and connection with the neighbors on the South and North since the building sets back from the property more than the minimum required. The main pedestrian pathway along the north will benefict as well following Design Guideline PL1-B.2. The project team believes this design strategy is beneficial for the building because avoids having a 36 feet façade in one single plane at 3.5' from the property line.

## Adjustment Request - Facade Length



### SETBACKS DIAGRAM SCALE: 1/16" = 1'-0"

### CODE CITATION:

### SMC 23.45.518.A

Setbacks for Rowhouses in LR Zones are as follows:

### **CODE REQUIREMENT:**

	<u>required</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u>
front (West)	5'	3.8' MIN, 7.92' AVG
front (East)	5'	14.21'
SIDE (NORTH)	3.5'	5'
SIDE (SOUTH 1)	3.5'	3.5'
SIDE (SOUTH 2)	3.5'	4.5'
REAR	5'MIN, 7' AVG	14.5'

### PROPOSED DESIGN DEPARTURE:

We propose a reduction of the front setback of 24% to 3.8' of the minimum allowed per SMC 23.45.518.A. Per SMC 23.41.018.D.3 the setbacks may be reduced by a maximum of 50%.

### **RATIONALE:**

The project is located in an irregular lot that follows the diagonals of Beacon Ave S and 18th Ave S. The front building is organized in pairs allowing the maximum separation between the buildings as well as a generous back yard for the south units. This aligns with Seattle Design Guidelines - Urban Pattern and Form - Connection to the street (CS2-B.2) creating a strong street-edge as well as reducing the perceptive mass to better respond to the neighborhood scale (CS2-C.2). Pairing the entries provides more oportuniteis for resident interactions (PL3-B.4) in the front and back of the building. This also allows for a more useful and active open space between the buildings (DC3-A&B).As a result, a very small portions of RH1 and RH3 will encroach in the minimum 5 feet setback. The opposite corner of the building is located more than 10 feet away from the property line and the average front setback is 7.92 feet. The encroaching portion is just a 2-story volume since the massing recesses at the third level. The units are set a couple of steps up the street, and a landscape buffer is proposed to soften the street edge.

## **Adjustment Request - Setbacks**