

SAN FRANCISCO PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Discretionary Review Abbreviated Analysis

HEARING DATE: FEBRUARY 21, 2019

1650 Mission St. Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103-2479

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Planning Information: **415.558.6377**

Date: February 8, 2019
Case No.: **2014-002435DRP**

Project Address: 95 Saint Germain Avenue

Permit Application: 2015.00903.6048

Zoning: RH-1(D) [Residential House, One-Family-Detached]

40-X Height and Bulk District

Block/Lot: 2721/050

Project Sponsor: Mike Garavaglia, Architect

582 Market Street Suite 1800 San Francisco, CA 94104

Staff Contact: David Winslow – (415) 575-9159

David.Winslow@sfgov.org

Recommendation: Do not take DR and approve as proposed

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The project consists of a 3-story horizontal front addition to an existing 3-story one-family house to enlarge the height of the garage to accommodate a car lift for 2 off-street parking spaces, enlargement the second and third floors of the dwelling unit, and removal of half of an existing elevator, for a net addition of 144 square feet.

SITE DESCRIPTION AND PRESENT USE

The site is a 23'-3" x 100' upsloping lot with an existing 3-story, 2,422 s.f. one-family house built in 1979.

SURROUNDING PROPERTIES AND NEIGHBORHOOD

The street front of this block of Saint Germain Avenue has a pattern of three-story residential buildings over garages with large front setbacks.

BUILDING PERMIT NOTIFICATION

ТҮРЕ	REQUIRED PERIOD	NOTIFICATION DATES	DR FILE DATE	DR HEARING DATE	FILING TO HEARING TIME
311 Notice	30 days	December 3, 2018 – January 2, 2019	10.25. 2018	2.21.2019	121 days

HEARING NOTIFICATION

TYPE	REQUIRED PERIOD	REQUIRED NOTICE DATE	ACTUAL NOTICE DATE	ACTUAL PERIOD
Posted Notice	20 days	February 1, 2019	February 1, 2019	20 days
Mailed Notice	20 days	February 1, 2019	February 1, 2019	20 days
Online Notice	20 days	February 1, 2019	February 1, 2019	20 days

PUBLIC COMMENT

	SUPPORT	OPPOSED	NO POSITION
Adjacent neighbor(s)	0	0	0
Other neighbors on the block or directly across	0	0	0
the street	U	U	U
Neighborhood groups	0	0	0

DR REQUESTORS

Robia Crisp on behalf of Lisa and Patrice Gautier of 99 Saint Germain Ave., adjacent neighbors to the West of the proposed project.

DR REQUESTORS' CONCERNS AND PROPOSED ALTERNATIVES

- 1. Lack of proper notification to neighbors
- 2. Alteration to the building of Historic significance which was not taken into account.
- 3. Exceptional circumstances with respect to joint ownership
- 4. Front expansion will detrimentally block light, air, and views.

See attached Discretionary Review Applications, dated October 25, 2018.

PROJECT SPONSOR'S RESPONSE TO DR APPLICATION

The sponsor has complied with the Residential Design Team (RDAT) recommendations enumerated below, in relation to building massing at the rear to address issues related to scale, shading and privacy.

See attached Response to Discretionary Review, dated January 18, 2019.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

The Department has determined that the proposed project is exempt/excluded from environmental review, pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section 15301 (Class One - Minor Alteration of Existing Facility, (e) Additions to existing structures provided that the addition will not result in an increase of more than 10,000 square feet).

DEPARTMENT REVIEW

- 1. 311 Notification was duly conducted per Planning Department protocol, as was notification for the Variance hearing.
- 2. The building, built in 1979, is not a historic resource, nor is it age eligible. Its status is listed as a 'C'.
- 3. The proposed project was reviewed and approved irrespective of the resolution of the common ownership of the existing elevator.
- 4. The proposed addition was reviewed with respect to impacts to the light, air and privacy of the adjacent neighbor. Private views are not protected by Planning Department Policy. The modest scale of the horizontal front extension in conjunction with the side separation between the two properties were deemed not pose any exceptional or extraordinary impacts to light, air or privacy.

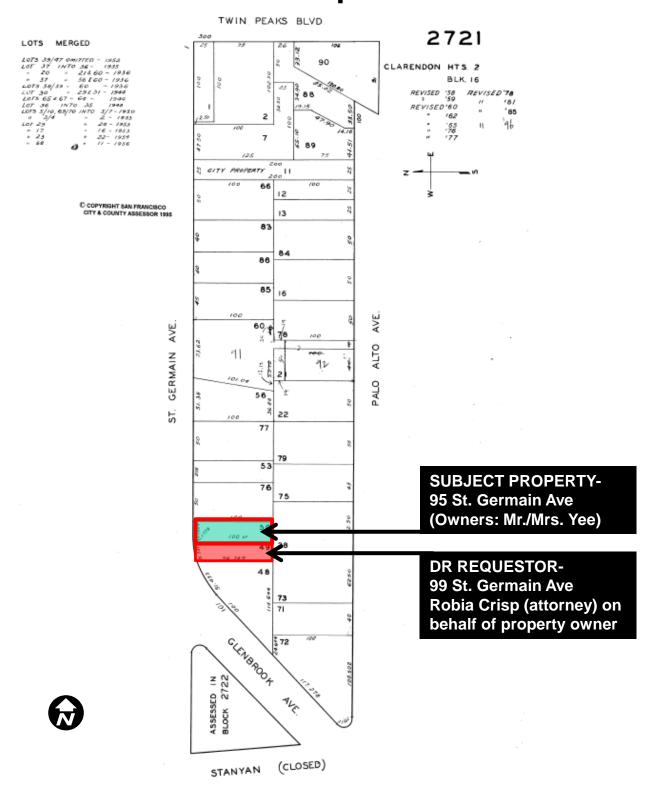
RECOMMENDATION:

Do not take DR and approve project as proposed

Attachments:

Block Book Map
Sanborn Map
Zoning Map
Aerial Photographs
Context Photographs
Section 311 Notice
CEQA Determination
DR Application
Response to DR Application dated January 18, 2019
Reduced Plans

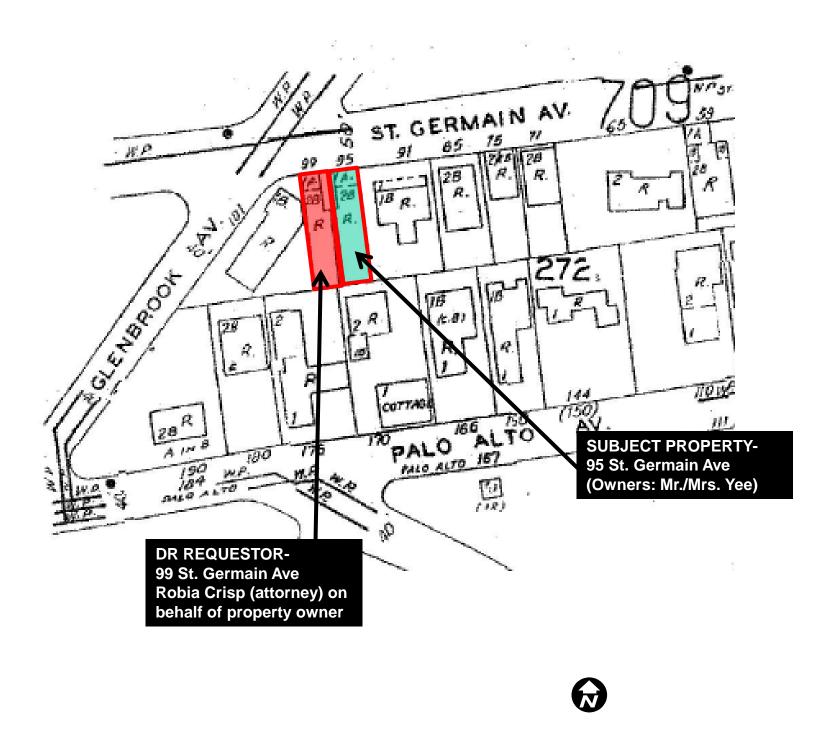
Parcel Map



Discretionary Review Hearing

Case Number 2014-002435DRP

Sanborn Map*

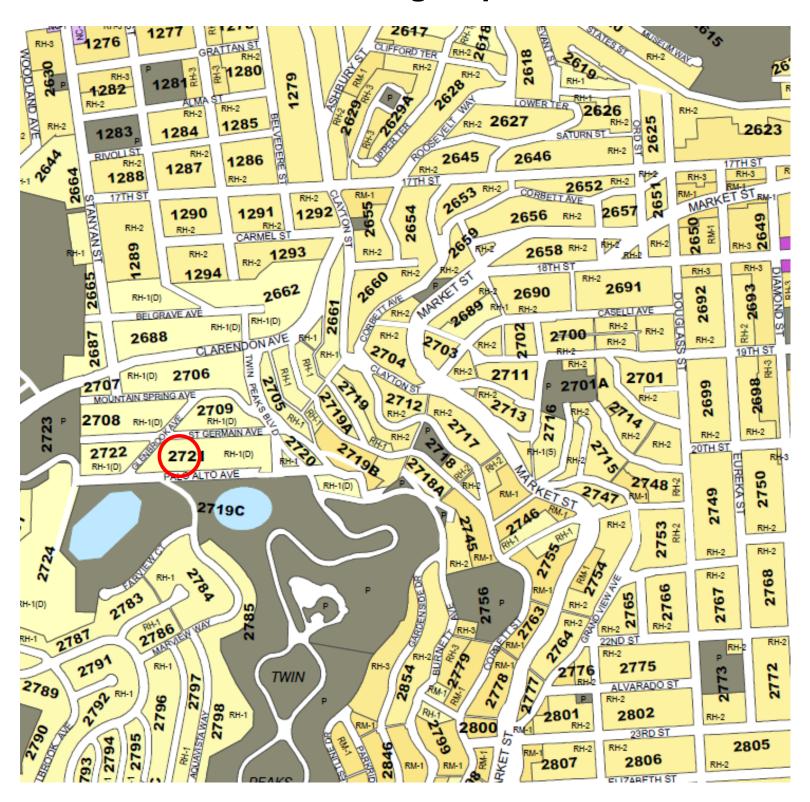


*The Sanborn Maps in San Francisco have not been updated since 1998, and this map may not accurately reflect existing conditions.

Discretionary Review Hearing

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Zoning Map





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Aerial Photo



DR REQUESTOR-99 St. Germain Ave Robia Crisp (attorney) on behalf of property owner

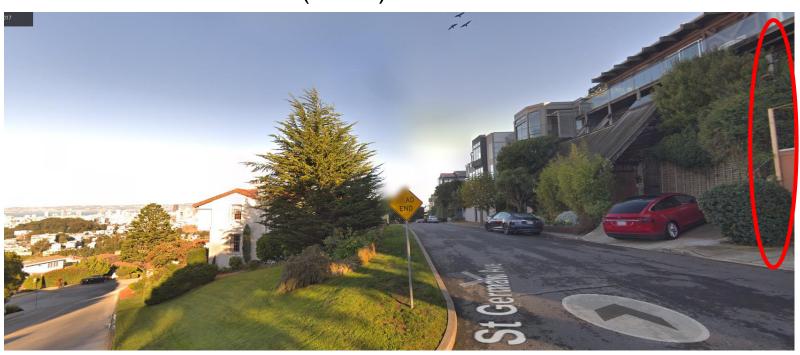
SUBJECT PROPERTY-95 St. Germain Ave (Owners: Mr./Mrs. Yee)



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North (Front) Elevation



Looking East along Saint Germain Ave.

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Site Photos



Looking West Along Saint Germain Ave



Looking East along Saint Germain Ave From Corner of St. Germain/Glenbrook Ave.

Discretionary Review Hearing

Case Number 2014-002435DRP

1650 Mission Street Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

NOTICE OF BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION (SECTION 311)

On September 3, 2015, the Applicant named below filed Building Permit Application No. 2015.0903.6048 with the City and County of San Francisco.

PROJECT INFORMATION APPLICANT INFORMATION Project Address: 95 Saint Germain Ave Ambrose Wong, AIA Applicant: Cross Street(s): Glenbrook Ave & Twin Peaks Blvd Address: 582 Market Street, Suite 1800 2721/050 Block/Lot No.: City, State: San Francisco, CA 94104 Zoning District(s): RH-1(D)/ 40-X Telephone: (415) 391-9633 Record No.: 2014-002435PRJ Email: ambrose@garavaglia.com

You are receiving this notice as a property owner or resident within 150 feet of the proposed project. You are not required to take any action. For more information about the proposed project, or to express concerns about the project, please contact the Applicant listed above or the Planner named below as soon as possible. If you believe that there are exceptional or extraordinary circumstances associated with the project, you may request the Planning Commission to use its discretionary powers to review this application at a public hearing. Applications requesting a Discretionary Review hearing must be filed during the 30-day review period, prior to the close of business on the Expiration Date shown below, or the next business day if that date is on a week-end or a legal holiday. If no Requests for Discretionary Review are filed, this project will be approved by the Planning Department after the Expiration Date.

Members of the public are not required to provide personal identifying information when they communicate with the Commission or the Department. All written or oral communications, including submitted personal contact information, may be made available to the public for inspection and copying upon request and may appear on the Department's website or in other public documents.

PROJECT SCOPE					
☐ Demolition	□ New Construction	✓ Alteration			
☐ Change of Use	✓ Façade Alteration(s)	✓ Front Addition			
✓ Rear Addition	☐ Side Addition	☐ Vertical Addition			
PROJECT	EXISTING	PROPOSED			
FEATURES					
Building Use	Residential (single family home)	No change			
Front Setback	12 feet 6 inches (to face of bay window)	11 feet 3 inches (to face of bay window)			
Side Setbacks	Abuts	No change			
Building Depth	67 feet 6 inches	74 feet 6 inches			
Rear Yard	32 feet 2 inches	25 feet			
Building Height	41 feet 4 inches	No change			
Number of Stories	2 over ground-level garage w/loft level (4 levels)	No change			
Number of Dwelling Units	1	No change			
Number of Parking Spaces	2	No change			
PROJECT DESCRIPTION					

The proposal is an expansion of the existing garage, first and second stories to an existing 2,906 sf, 41 feet 4 inches tall, two-story over two-level basement, single family residence with two off-street parking spaces. The 144 square foot expansion will increase the habitable area on the first and second stories, add a new elevator, increase the garage height from 9'-4" to 14'-0" to accommodate a parking lift with a roof deck above, and add a rear sunroom. The project would encroach into the required 14'-6" front setback; therefore, a front vard variance was required. On January 28, 2016, the Zoning Administrator (ZA) denied the variance (ref: Case No. 2014-002435VAR); however, on February 5, 2016, the Sponsor filed an appeal of the ZA decision to the Board of Appeals (BOA) on the basis that the Americans with Disabilities Act requires the elevator as a disability accommodation. On November 15, 2017, the BOA granted the appeal (ref: Appeal No. 16-018) and ordered that the variance denial be overruled. See attached plans for detail.

The issuance of the building permit by the Department of Building Inspection or the Planning Commission project approval at a discretionary review hearing would constitute as the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to Section 31.04(h) of the San Francisco Administrative Code.

For more information, please contact Planning Department staff:

Planner: Chris Townes

Telephone: (415) 575-9195 Notice Date: 12/03/18 E-mail: Expiration Date: 1/02/19 chris.townes@sfgov.org

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES

Reduced copies of the proposed project plans have been included in this mailing for your information. If you have questions about the plans, please contact the project Applicant listed on the front of this notice. You may wish to discuss the plans with your neighbors or neighborhood association, as they may already be aware of the project. If you have general questions about the Planning Department's review process, please contact the Planning Information Center at 1660 Mission Street, 1st Floor (415/558-6377) between 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday-Friday. If you have specific questions about the proposed project, you should contact the planner listed on the front of this notice.

If you believe that the impact on you from the proposed project is significant and you wish to seek to change the project, there are several procedures you may use. **We strongly urge that steps 1 and 2 be taken.**

- 1. Request a meeting with the project Applicant to get more information and to explain the project's impact on you.
- 2. Contact the nonprofit organization Community Boards at (415) 920-3820, or online at www.communityboards.org for a facilitated discussion in a safe and collaborative environment. Community Boards acts as a neutral third party and has, on many occasions, helped reach mutually agreeable solutions.
- 3. Where you have attempted, through the use of the above steps or other means, to address potential problems without success, please contact the planner listed on the front of this notice to discuss your concerns.

If, after exhausting the procedures outlined above, you still believe that exceptional and extraordinary circumstances exist, you have the option to request that the Planning Commission exercise its discretionary powers to review the project. These powers are reserved for use in exceptional and extraordinary circumstances for projects which generally conflict with the City's General Plan and the Priority Policies of the Planning Code; therefore the Commission exercises its discretion with utmost restraint. This procedure is called Discretionary Review. If you believe the project warrants Discretionary Review by the Planning Commission, you must file a Discretionary Review application prior to the Expiration Date shown on the front of this notice. Discretionary Review applications are available at the Planning Information Center (PIC), 1660 Mission Street, 1st Floor, or online at www.sfplanning.org). You must submit the application in person at the Planning Information Center (PIC) between 8:00am - 5:00pm Monday-Friday, with all required materials and a check payable to the Planning Department. To determine the fee for a Discretionary Review, please refer to the Planning Department Fee Schedule available at www.sfplanning.org. If the project includes multiple building permits, i.e. demolition and new construction, a separate request for Discretionary Review must be submitted, with all required materials and fee, for each permit that you feel will have an impact on you. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

If no Discretionary Review Applications have been filed within the Notification Period, the Planning Department will approve the application and forward it to the Department of Building Inspection for its review.

BOARD OF APPEALS

An appeal of the Planning Commission's decision on a Discretionary Review case may be made to the **Board of Appeals within 15 calendar days after the building permit is issued** (or denied) by the Department of Building Inspection. Appeals must be submitted in person at the Board's office at 1650 Mission Street, 3rd Floor, Room 304. For further information about appeals to the Board of Appeals, including current fees, contact the Board of Appeals at (415) 575-6880.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

This project has undergone preliminary review pursuant to California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). If, as part of this process, the Department's Environmental Review Officer has deemed this project to be exempt from further environmental review, an exemption determination has been prepared and can be obtained through the Exemption Map, on-line, at www.sfplanning.org. An appeal of the decision to exempt the proposed project from CEQA may be made to the Board of Supervisors within 30 calendar days after the project approval action identified on the determination. The procedures for filing an appeal of an exemption determination are available from the Clerk of the Board at City Hall, Room 244, or by calling (415) 554-5184. Under CEQA, in a later court challenge, a litigant may be limited to raising only those issues previously raised at a hearing on the project or in written correspondence delivered to the Board of Supervisors, Planning Commission, Planning Department or other City board, commission or department at, or prior to, such hearing, or as part of the appeal hearing process on the CEQA decision.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Hearing Date: Thursday, February 21, 2019

Time:

Not before 1:00 PM

Location:

City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 400

Case Type:

Discretionary Review

Hearing Body: Planning Commission

PROJECT INFORMATION	APPLICANT INFORMATION
Project Address: 95 Saint Germain Ave. Cross Street(s): Glenbrook & Twin Peaks Block /Lot No.: 2721/050 Zoning District(s): RH-1(D)/ 40-X Area Plan: NA Record No.: 2014-002435DRP	Applicant: Ambrose Wong Company: Applicant Address: 582 Market St. Suite 1800 City, State: San Francisco, CA 94104 Telephone: (415) 391-9633 E-Mail: ambrose@garavaglia.com

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Request is for Discretionary Review of Building Permit Application No. 2015.0903.6048.

For construction of a horizontal front addition to relocate an elevator of an existing 2-story, single family house.

A Planning Commission approval at the public hearing would constitute the Approval Action for the project for the purposes of CEQA, pursuant to San Francisco Administrative Code Section 31.04(h).

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ARCHITECTURAL PLANS: If you are interested in viewing the plans for the proposed project please contact the planner listed below. The plans and Department recommendation of the proposed project will be available prior to the hearing through the Planning Commission agenda at: http://www.sf-planning.org or by request at the Planning Department office located at 1650 Mission Street, 4th Floor.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT PLANNING DEPARTMENT STAFF:

Planner: David Winslow Telephone: (415) 575-9159 E-Mail: david.winslow@sfgov.org

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT PROCEDURES

HEARING INFORMATION

You are receiving this notice because you are either a property owner or resident that is adjacent to the proposed project or are an interested party on record with the Planning Department. You are not required to take any action. For more information regarding the proposed work, or to express concerns about the project, please contact the Applicant or Planner listed on this notice as soon as possible. Additionally, you may wish to discuss the project with your neighbors and/or neighborhood association as they may already be aware of the project.

Persons who are unable to attend the public hearing may submit written comments regarding this application to the Planner listed on the front of this notice, Planning Department, 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400, San Francisco, CA 94103, by 5:00 pm the day before the hearing. These comments will be made a part of the official public record and will be brought to the attention of the person or persons conducting the public hearing.

Comments that cannot be delivered by 5:00 pm the day before the hearing may be taken directly to the hearing at the location listed on the front of this notice. Comments received at 1650 Mission Street after the deadline will be placed in the project file, but may not be brought to the attention of the Planning Commission at the public hearing.

APPEAL INFORMATION

An appeal of the approval (or denial) of a **building permit application** by the Planning Commission may be made to the **Board of Appeals within 15 calendar days** after the building permit is issued (or denied) by the Director of the Department of Building Inspection. Appeals must be submitted in person at the Board's office at 1650 Mission Street, 3rd Floor, Room 304. For further information about appeals to the Board of Appeals, including current fees, contact the Board of Appeals at (415) 575-6880.

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Date: 2/1/2019

TEL: 415.575.9121

The attached notice is provided under the Planning Code. It concerns property located at 95 Saint Germain Ave. (2014-002435DRP). A hearing may occur, a right to request review may expire or a development approval may become final by 2/21/2019.

To obtain information about this notice in Spanish or Chinese, please call (415) 575-9010. To obtain information about this notice in Filipino, please call (415) 575-9121. Please be advised that the Planning Department will require at least one business day to respond to any call.

附上的是三藩市城市規劃的法定通告。

此通告是與位於 95 Saint Germain Ave. (2014-002435DRP)

的建築計劃有關。如果在 **2/21/2019** 之前無人申請聽證會來檢討這一個建築計劃, 這計劃最終會被核准。

如果你需要用華語獲得關於這通告的細節,請電 415-575-9010.

然後,請按 "8"·及留言. 城市規劃局將需要至少一個工作天回應。華語資料提供只是城市 規劃局的一項服務,此項服務不會提供額外的權利或延伸任何要求檢討的期限。

El documento adjunto es requerido por el Código de Planeación (Planning Code) y es referente a la propiedad en la siguiente dirección: 95 Saint Germain Ave. (2014-002435DRP). Es posible que ocurra una audiencia pública, que el derecho a solicitar una revisión se venza, o que la aprobación final de projecto se complete el: 2/21/2019.

Para obtener más información sobre esta notificación en español, llame al siguiente teléfono **(415) 575-9010**. Por favor tome en cuenta que le contestaremos su llamada en un periodo de 24 horas.

Ang nakalakip na paunawa ay ibinibigay alinsunod sa Planning Code. Tinatalakay nito ang propyedad na matatagpuan sa **95 Saint Germain Ave.** (2014-002435DRP). Maaring may paglilitis na mangyayari, may mapapasong paghiling ng isang pagrerepaso (review), o ang na-aprobahang pagpapatayo ay malapit nang ipagtibay sa 2/21/2019.

Para humiling ng impormasyon tungkol sa paunawang ito sa Tagalog, paki tawagan ang **(415) 575-9121**. Mangyaring tandaan na mangangailangan ang Planning Department ng di-kukulangin sa isang araw ng pangangalakal para makasagot sa anumang tawag.

CEQA Categorical Exemption Determination

PROPERTY INFORMATION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Proje	ct Address		Block/Lot(s)
95 SAINT GERMAIN AVE		/E	2721050
Case No. 2014-002435PRJ			Permit No.
			201509036048
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STEP 2: CEQA IMPACTS

TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER

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	Air Quality: Would the project add new sensitive receptors (specifically, schools, day care facilities, hospitals, residential dwellings, and senior-care facilities within an Air Pollution Exposure Zone? Does the project have the potential to emit substantial pollutant concentrations (e.g., backup diesel generators, heavy industry, diesel trucks, etc.)? (refer to EP _ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Air Pollution Exposure Zone)				
	Hazardous Materials: If the project site is located on the Maher map or is suspected of containing hazardous materials (based on a previous use such as gas station, auto repair, dry cleaners, or heavy manufacturing, or a site with underground storage tanks): Would the project involve 50 cubic yards or more of soil disturbance - or a change of use from industrial to residential? If yes, this box must be checked and the project applicant must submit an Environmental Application with a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment. Exceptions: do not check box if the applicant presents documentation of enrollment in the San Francisco Department of Public Health (DPH) Maher program, a DPH waiver from the Maher program, or other documentation from Environmental Planning staff that hazardous material effects would be less than significant (refer to EP_ArcMap > Maher layer).				
	Transportation: Does the project create six (6) or more net new parking spaces or residential units? Does the project have the potential to adversely affect transit, pedestrian and/or bicycle safety (hazards) or the adequacy of nearby transit, pedestrian and/or bicycle facilities?				
	Archeological Resources: Would the project result in soil disturbance/modification greater than two (2) feet below grade in an archeological sensitive area or eight (8) feet in a non-archeological sensitive area? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Archeological Sensitive Area)				
	Subdivision/Lot Line Adjustment: Does the project site involve a subdivision or lot line adjustment on a lot with a slope average of 20% or more? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Topography)				
	Slope = or > 20%: Does the project involve any of the following: (1) square footage expansion greater than 1,000 sq. ft. outside of the existing building footprint, (2) excavation of 50 cubic yards or more of soil, (3) new construction? (refer to EP_ArcMap > CEQA Catex Determination Layers > Topography) If box is checked, a geotechnical report is required.				
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1	If no boxes are checked above, GO TO STEP 3. If one or more boxes are checked above, an Environmental Evaluation Application is required, unless reviewed by an Environmental Planner.				
Com	ments and Planner Signature (optional): Chris Townes				

STEP 3: PROPERTY STATUS - HISTORIC RESOURCE TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER PROPERTY IS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: (refer to Parcel Information Map) Category A: Known Historical Resource. GO TO STEP 5. Category B: Potential Historical Resource (over 45 years of age). GO TO STEP 4. Category C: Not a Historical Resource or Not Age Eligible (under 45 years of age). GO TO STEP 6. STEP 4: PROPOSED WORK CHECKLIST TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER Check all that apply to the project. 1. Change of use and new construction. Tenant improvements not included. 2. Regular maintenance or repair to correct or repair deterioration, decay, or damage to building. 3. Window replacement that meets the Department's Window Replacement Standards. Does not include storefront window alterations. 4. Garage work. A new opening that meets the Guidelines for Adding Garages and Curb Cuts, and/or replacement of a garage door in an existing opening that meets the Residential Design Guidelines. 5. Deck, terrace construction, or fences not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way. 6. Mechanical equipment installation that is not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way. 7. Dormer installation that meets the requirements for exemption from public notification under Zoning Administrator Bulletin No. 3: Dormer Windows. 8. Addition(s) that are not visible from any immediately adjacent public right-of-way for 150 feet in each direction; does not extend vertically beyond the floor level of the top story of the structure or is only a П single story in height; does not have a footprint that is more than 50% larger than that of the original building; and does not cause the removal of architectural significant roofing features. Note: Project Planner must check box below before proceeding. Project is not listed. GO TO STEP 5. Project does not conform to the scopes of work. GO TO STEP 5. Project involves four or more work descriptions. GO TO STEP 5. Project involves less than four work descriptions. GO TO STEP 6. STEP 5: CEQA IMPACTS - ADVANCED HISTORICAL REVIEW TO BE COMPLETED BY PROJECT PLANNER Check all that apply to the project. 1. Project involves a known historical resource (CEQA Category A) as determined by Step 3 and conforms entirely to proposed work checklist in Step 4. 2. Interior alterations to publicly accessible spaces. 3. Window replacement of original/historic windows that are not "in-kind" but are consistent with existing historic character. 4. Façade/storefront alterations that do not remove, alter, or obscure character-defining features.

5. Raising the building in a manner that does not remove, alter, or obscure character-defining

6. Restoration based upon documented evidence of a building's historic condition, such as historic

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photographs, plans, physical evidence, or similar buildings.

features.

	7. Addition(s) , including mechanical equipment that are minimally visible from a public right-of-way and meet the <i>Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation</i> .			
	8. Other work consistent with the Secretary of the Inter Properties (specify or add comments):			
	9. Other work that would not materially impair a historic	district (s	pecify or add comments):	
	(Requires approval by Senior Preservation Planner/Pres	servation	Coordinator)	
	10. Reclassification of property status . (Requires apprelanner/Preservation	roval by S	Senior Preservation	
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	b. Other (specify):			
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STEP 7: MODIFICATION OF A CEQA EXEMPT PROJECT

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In accordance with Chapter 31 of the San Francisco Administrative Code, when a California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) exempt project changes after the Approval Action and requires a subsequent approval, the Environmental Review Officer (or his or her designee) must determine whether the proposed change constitutes a substantial modification of that project. This checklist shall be used to determine whether the proposed changes to the approved project would constitute a "substantial modification" and, therefore, be subject to additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA.

PROPERTY INFORMATION/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Project Address (If different than front page)			Block/Lot(s) (If different than front page)		
95 SA	AINT GERMAIN AVE		2721/050		
Case No.		Previous Building Permit No.	New Building Permit No.		
2014-	002435PRJ	201509036048			
Plans	Dated	Previous Approval Action	New Approval Action		
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Modi	fied Project Description:				
DE1	TERMINATION IF PROJECT	CONSTITUTES SUBSTANTIAL MODIF	CICATION		
Com	pared to the approved project, w	rould the modified project:			
	Result in expansion of the buil	ding envelope, as defined in the Planning	Code;		
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If at I	east one of the above boxes is	checked, further environmental review i	s required.		
DET	DETERMINATION OF NO SUBSTANTIAL MODIFICATION				
The proposed modification would not result in any of the above changes.					
approv	If this box is checked, the proposed modifications are categorically exempt under CEQA, in accordance with prior project approval and no additional environmental review is required. This determination shall be posted on the Planning Department website and office and mailed to the applicant, City approving entities, and anyone requesting written notice.				
Planı	ner Name:	Date:			

RESPONSE TO DISCRETIONARY REVIEW (DRP)





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Pr	ect Information	
Pro	erty Address: Zip Code:	
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Re	uired Questions	
1.	Given the concerns of the DR requester and other concerned parties, why do you feel your proposed project should be approved? (If you are not aware of the issues of concern to the DR requester, please meet the DR equester in addition to reviewing the attached DR application.)	
2.	What alternatives or changes to the proposed project are you willing to make in order to address the concerns of the DR requester and other concerned parties? If you have already changed the project neet neighborhood concerns, please explain those changes and indicate whether they were made be after filing your application with the City.	
3.	f you are not willing to change the proposed project or pursue other alternatives, please state why yo hat your project would not have any adverse effect on the surrounding properties. Include an explair of your needs for space or other personal requirements that prevent you from making the changes equested by the DR requester.	

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Please provide the following information about the project for both the existing and proposed features. sheet with project features that are not included in this table.	Please attach an additional

	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Dwelling Units (only one kitchen per unit - additional kitchens count as additional units)		
Occupied Stories (all levels with habitable rooms)		
Basement Levels (may include garage or windowless storage rooms)		
Parking Spaces (Off-Street)		
Bedrooms		
Height		
Building Depth		
Rental Value (monthly)		
Property Value		

I attest that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:	Date:
Printed Name:	Property Owner Authorized Agent

If you have any additional information that is not covered by this application, please feel free to attach additional sheets to this form.

Project Features



DISCRETIONARY REVIEW APPLICATION

PLANNING APPLICATION RECORD NUMBER

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Estimated Construction Cost:		
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Non-Residential:	☐ Medical Cannabis Dispensary	☐ Tobacco Paraphernalia Establishment
☐ Financial Service	☐ Massage Establishment	Other:
Related Building Permits Applications		
Building Permit Applications No(s): 20150903	36048	

ACTIONS PRIOR TO A DISCRETIONARY REVIEW REQUEST

In reviewing applications for Certificate of Appropriateness the Historic Preservation Commission, Department staff, Board of Appeals and/or Board of Supervisors, and the Planning Commission shall be governed by *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties* pursuant to Section 1006.6 of the Planning Code, Please respond to each statement completely (Note: Attach continuation sheets, if necessary). Give reasons as to *how* and *why* the project meets the ten Standards rather than merely concluding that it does so. IF A GIVEN REQUIREMENT DOES NOT APPLY TO YOUR PROJECT, EXPLAIN WHY IT DOES NOT.

PRIOR ACTION	YES	NO
Have you discussed this project with the permit applicant?	J	
Did you discuss the project with the Planning Department permit review planner?	J	
Did you participate in outside mediation on this case? (including Community Boards)	1	

CHANGES MADE TO THE PROJECT AS A RESULT OF MEDIATION

If you have discussed the project with the applicant, planning staff or gone through mediation, please attach a summary of the result, including any changes that were made to the proposed project.

We are informed that the plans have been revised, in part, to demolish 1/2 of the existing elevator tower that straddles the property line between 99 Saint Germain Avenue and 95 Saint Germain Avenue.

DISCRETIONARY REVIEW REQUEST

In the space below and on seperate paper, if necessary, please present facts sufficient to answer each question.

1. What are the reasons for requesting Discretionary Review? The project meets the standards of the Planning Code and the Residential Design Guidelines. What are the exceptional and extraordinary circumstances that justify Discretionary Review of the project? How does the project conflict with the City's General Plan or the Planning Code's Priority Policies or Residential Design Guidelines? Please be specific and site specific sections of the Residential Design Guidelines.

Please see the attached.

2. The Residential Design Guidelines assume some impacts to be reasonable and expected as part of construction. Please explain how this project would cause unreasonable impacts. If you believe your property, the property of others or the neighborhood would be unreasonably affected, please state who would be affected, and how.

Please see the attached.

3. What alternatives or changes to the proposed project, beyond the changes (if any) already made would respond to the exceptional and extraordinary circumstances and reduce the adverse effects noted above in question #1?

Please see the attached.

APPLICANT'S AFFIDAVIT

Under penalty of perjury the following declarations are made:

- a) The undersigned is the owner or authorized agent of the owner of this property.
- b) The information presented is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- c) Other information or applications may be required.

Adri SCA:	10	Robia S. Crisp	
Signature	7	Name (Printed)	
Authorized Agent	415-995-5806	rcrisp@hansonbridgett.com	
Relationship to Project (i.e. Owner, Architect, etc.)	Phone	Email	

APPLICANT'S SITE VISIT CONSENT FORM

I herby authorize City and County of San Francisco Planning staff to conduct a site visit of this property, making all portions of the interior and exterior accessible.

Name (Printed)

10/25/18

For Department Use Only
Application received by Planning Department:

By: _______ Date: ______

October 24, 2018

San Francisco Planning Department City and County of San Francisco 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Authorization to File Application for Discretionary Review for 95 Saint Germain; Building Permit Application No. 2015.0903.6048

By this letter, we hereby authorize the law firm of Hanson Bridgett LLP to file on our behalf, an Application for Discretionary Review.

Please direct any communications or questions regarding the application to Robia Crisp of Hanson Bridgett at rcrisp@hansonbridgett.com or by telephone to (415) 995-5806.

Very truly yours,

Lisa Gautier

Patrice Gautier

ATTACHMENT TO APPLICATION FOR DISCRETIONARY REVIEW OF PROPOSED PROJECT AT 95 SAINT GERMAIN

Our clients, Lisa and Patrice Gautier, own the property at 99 Saint Germain Avenue ("Gautier Property"). The Gautier Property is improved with a single family residence (the "Gautier Home") and a rear yard. The Gautier Property is adjacent to the west of the proposed project property at 95 Saint Germain Avenue ("Project Site"). The Project Site is currently improved with an approximately 2,653 square foot single family residence (the "Existing Home") and rear yard. Notably, a three-story elevator structure intended to serve both the Gautier Property and the Project Site is located on the side property boundary line between them.

The Project applicant seeks approval to (1) expand the garage of the Existing Home to accommodate a car lift to maintain two off-street parking spaces, by extending it into the required front setback, (2) expand the front of the Existing home on the first and second stories above the garage to accommodate additional habitable space and a new elevator, (3) expand to the rear with a sun deck and (4) demolish half of the existing elevator structure that straddles the shared property line (collectively, the "Project"). The Project required a variance, which was originally denied by the Zoning Administrator by Variance Decision (Case No. 2014-002435VAR) (the "Variance") dated January 28, 2016, and after certain Project revisions were made, approved by the Board of Appeals on July 19, 2017 (Appeal No. 16-018).

Subsequent to the Board of Appeals issuing its decision, it is our understanding that an additional revision has been made, to demolish only the half of the existing elevator structure that is located on the Project Site, leaving the remaining, inoperable and irreparable half on the Gautier Property. This would not only violate a deed restriction that creates an easement between the Gautier Property and Project Site and requires a shared obligation to maintain the elevator structure, it violates the Planning Code, Residential Design Guidelines, and conflicts with General Plan Priority Policies. To the extent that the Project Site is also the subject of a pending Code enforcement proceeding, the Project cannot proceed without resolution of the Notice of Violation (NOV 201719941).

The Project applicant's failure to provide existing plans resulted in the City's determination that a new Section 311 Notice must issue, and the City has not made available the revised plans currently under review in connection with the Section 311 Notice despite our making numerous requests. For purposes of this Discretionary Review Application ("DR Application"), we rely on the set of plans for the Project dated February 8, 2017 ("Plan Set") and submitted by the Project sponsor in connection with its appeal of the denial of the Variance and assume the only additional revision is to demolish half of the elevator structure. As of the date of this DR Application, a new notice has not been posted and we reserve the right to supplement this DR Application should the City issue a new Section 311 Notice.

For the reasons described in detail below, we request that the Planning Commission exercise its discretionary review powers over the proposed Project.

ATTACHMENT TO APPLICATION FOR DISCRETIONARY REVIEW OF PROPOSED PROJECT AT 95 SAINT GERMAIN

- 1. What are the reasons for requesting Discretionary Review? The project meets the minimum standards of the Planning Code. What are the exceptional and extraordinary circumstances that justify Discretionary Review of the project? How does the project conflict with the City's General Plan or the Planning Code's Priority Policies or Residential Design Guidelines? Please be specific and cite specific sections of the Residential Design Guidelines.
 - a. The Section 311 Notice Fails to Satisfy Planning Code Requirements and is Inadequate to Inform Neighboring Residents.

Based on the lack of current and accurate plans, the Section 311 Notice clearly does not satisfy the stated purpose of Planning Code Section 311, to provide notice to property owners and residents on the site and neighboring the site of the proposed project so that concerns about a project may be identified and resolved during the review of the permit. (SFPC 311(a).) It is impossible to understand or evaluate the scope of the project without an opportunity to view plans and a new Section 311 Notice must be issued to allow for an adequate review period.

- b. <u>Exceptional and Extraordinary Circumstances Justify Discretionary Review</u> of the Project.
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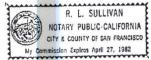
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said corporation has executed these presents by its officers thereunto duly authorized, this RBAN DEVELOPMENT CORP. LORINCZ, LTD, now known as ARCHITECTS URBAN DEVELOPMENT CORP. President HEL GRANTEG CALIFORNIES & City and County of San Francisco/ On_May 27 19.81 before me, the undersigned FOR NOTARY SEAL OR STAMP Notary Public, in and for said State, personally appeared Jeno Lorincz and Ruth Lorincz R. L. SULLIVAN NOJARY PUBLIC-CALIFORNIA CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO My Commission Expires April 27, 1982

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RESERVING THEREPROM an easement and right of way for pedestrians, maintenance, use and repair of elevator, maintenance room, equipment and incidentals thereto over, under, along and across the westerly feet of the northerly 35.742 feet of said land.

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EXHIBIT B

95 Saint Germain Ave

99 Saint Germain Ave



View of 95 and 99 Saint Germain.



Elevator structure between 95 Saint Germain and 99 Saint Germain



View from master bedroom in Gautier Home. The Existing Home at 95 Saint Germain will be expanded to the front and angled toward the Gautier Home.



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January 2, 2019

VIA HAND DELIVERY AND EMAIL chris.townes@sfgov.org

Chris Townes, Senior Planner Planning Department of the City and County of San Francisco 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: 95 Saint Germain, San Francisco

Supplemental Attachment to Application for Discretionary Review

Building Permit Application No. 201509036048

Dear Mr. Townes,

As you know, our firm represents Patrice and Lisa Gautier, the owners of 99 Saint Germain. On October 25, 2018, we submitted on their behalf, a Discretionary Review Application ("DR Application"; **Attachment 1**) requesting discretionary review of Building Permit Application No. 2015.0903.6048 (the "Building Permit Application") for the proposed expansion of the adjacent home located at 95 Saint Germain, the original 311 Notice for which was posted on September 26, 2018 (**Attachment 2**).

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We write to inform you that by Order dated December 7, 2018, the San Francisco Superior Court granted the Gautiers' application for a Temporary Restraining Order against the project sponsors. The Order prohibits the project sponsors from "further destroying, disassembling, weakening or otherwise tampering with any part of the parties' jointly owned elevator structure and system (collectively the 'Elevator Structure') located on [99 Saint Germain] and [95 Saint Germain]" (*Gautier v. Yee* (Super. Ct. S.F. City and County, Dec. 7, 2018, Case No. CGC-18-570147; **Attachment 4**).

In light of the Court's issuance of the Order, our clients reiterate their objection to any plans by the owners of 95 Saint Germain to destroy the elevator structure, in part or in its entirety. We request that the City discontinue its processing of the Building Permit Application until a final judicial resolution regarding the easement agreement between the owners has been reached.

Chris Townes, Senior Planner San Francisco Planning Department January 2, 2019 Page 2

To the extent that the City elects to continue its processing of the Building Permit Application, we request that the City also continue to process our corresponding DR Application, as the new 311 Notice and associated plans do not address any of the substantive grounds upon which our DR Application was submitted.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Robia S. Crisp

Attachments

cc: Patrice and Lisa Gautier (Via E-Mail)

Michael F. Donner (Via E-Mail) Emily Charley (Via E-Mail)

ATTACHMENT 1



DISCRETIONARY REVIEW APPLICATION

APPLICATION SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

Pursuant to Planning Code Section 311 (d) and 312 (e), the Planning Commission may exercise its power of Discretionary Review over a building permit application.

Please read the Discretionary Review Informational Packet carefully before the application form is completed.

WHAT TO SUBMIT:

- ☑ Two (2) complete applications signed by owner or agent.
- ☑ A Letter of Authorization for Agent from the owner giving you permission to communicate with the Planning Department on their behalf.
- ☑ Photographs or plans that illustrate your concerns.
- ☐ Related covenants or deed restrictions (if any).
- ☐ A digital copy (CD or USB drive) of the above materials (optional)
- ☑ Payment via Check, Money Order or debit/credit for the required intake fee amount. (See <u>Fee</u> <u>Schedule and/or Calculator</u>)

HOW TO SUBMIT:

To file your Mandatory or Staff Initiated Discretionary Review application, please send an email request along with the intake appointment request form to: CPC.Intake@sfgov.org. Intake request forms are available here: http://sf-planning.org/permit-forms-applications-and-fees.

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Español: Si desea ayuda sobre cómo llenar esta solicitud en español, por favor llame al 415.575.9010. Tenga en cuenta que el Departamento de Planificación requerirá al menos un día hábil para responder

中文: 如果您希望獲得使用中文填寫這份申請表的幫助, 請 致電415.575.9010。請注意, 規劃部門需要至少一個工作日 來回應。

Tagalog: Kung gusto mo ng tulong sa pagkumpleto ng application na ito sa Filipino, paki tawagan ang 415.575.9121. Paki tandaan na mangangailangan ang Planning Department ng hindi kukulangin sa isang araw na pantrabaho para makasagot.



DISCRETIONARY REVIEW APPLICATION

Toperc	y Owner's Information				
Name:	Lisa and Patrice Gautier				
Address:	99 Saint Germain Avenue, San Francisco, CA		Email Address: lisa@matteroftrust.org		
			Telephone:	(415) 235-2403	
Applica	nt Information (if applicable)				
Name:	Robia S. Crisp on behalf of Property	y Owner		Same as above	
Company	//Organization: Hanson Bridgett LL	P			
Address:	425 Market Street 26th Floor San Fre	ancisco CA 94105	Email Address:	rcrisp@hansonbridgett.com	
425 Market Street, 26th Floor, San Franc		meisco, CA 94103	Telephone:	415-995-5806	
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ACTIONS PRIOR TO A DISCRETIONARY REVIEW REQUEST

In reviewing applications for Certificate of Appropriateness the Historic Preservation Commission, Department staff, Board of Appeals and/or Board of Supervisors, and the Planning Commission shall be governed by *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties* pursuant to Section 1006.6 of the Planning Code. Please respond to each statement completely (Note: Attach continuation sheets, if necessary). Give reasons as to *how* and *why* the project meets the ten Standards rather than merely concluding that it does so. IF A GIVEN REQUIREMENT DOES NOT APPLY TO YOUR PROJECT, EXPLAIN WHY IT DOES NOT.

PRIOR ACTION	YES	NO
Have you discussed this project with the permit applicant?	J	
Did you discuss the project with the Planning Department permit review planner?		
Did you participate in outside mediation on this case? (including Community Boards)		

CHANGES MADE TO THE PROJECT AS A RESULT OF MEDIATION

If you have discussed the project with the applicant, planning staff or gone through mediation, please attach a summary of the result, including any changes that were made to the proposed project.

We are informed that the plans have been revised, in part, to demolish 1/2 of the existing elevator tower that straddles the property line between 99 Saint Germain Avenue and 95 Saint Germain Avenue.

DISCRETIONARY REVIEW REQUEST

In the space below and on seperate paper, if necessary, please present facts sufficient to answer each question.

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APPLICANT'S AFFIDAVIT

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October 24, 2018

San Francisco Planning Department City and County of San Francisco 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Authorization to File Application for Discretionary Review for 95 Saint Germain; Building Permit Application No. 2015.0903.6048

By this letter, we hereby authorize the law firm of Hanson Bridgett LLP to file on our behalf, an Application for Discretionary Review.

Please direct any communications or questions regarding the application to Robia Crisp of Hanson Bridgett at rcrisp@hansonbridgett.com or by telephone to (415) 995-5806.

Very truly yours,

Lisa Gautier

Patrice Gautier

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all that real property situate in the City and

community property,

County of San Francisco

, State of California, described as follows:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, said corporation has executed these presents by its officers thereunto duly authorized, this day of May DEVELOPMENT CORP. CTS URBAN DEVELOPMENT CORP. President Secretary STATE OF CAMPORNED City and County of San Francisco, On May 27, 1981, before me, thousedersigned FOR NOTARY SEAL OR STAMP B Notary Public, in and for said State, personally appeared Jeno Lorincz and Ruth Lorincz known to me to be the President and the Secretary of the corporation that executed the within instrument, and also known to me to be the persons who executed it on behalf of such corporation, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same, and further acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the within instrument pursuant to its by-laws or a resolution of its Board of Directors. R. L. SULLIVAN NOJARY PUBLIC-CALIFORNIA CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO My Commission Expires April 27, 1982 Notary Public

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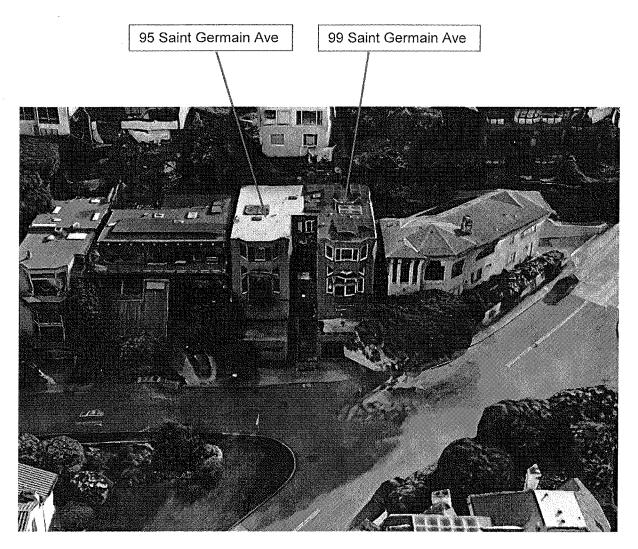
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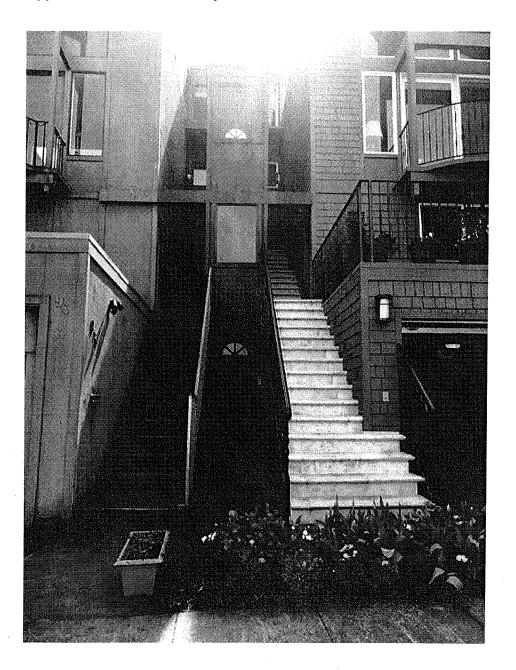
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EXHIBIT B



View of 95 and 99 Saint Germain.



Elevator structure between 95 Saint Germain and 99 Saint Germain



View from master bedroom in Gautier Home. The Existing Home at 95 Saint Germain will be expanded to the front and angled toward the Gautier Home.

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NOTICE OF BUILDING PERMIT APPLICATION (SECTION 311)

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You are receiving this notice as a property owner or resident within 150 feet of the proposed project. You are not required to Take are action. For more information about the proposed project, or to express concerns about the project, please contact the Applicant tated converce the Planner named below as soon as possible. If you believe that there are exceptional or extraoronary dicumstances essociated with the project, you may request the Planning Commission to tree its discretionary powers to review this approaches at a public hearing. Apply where requesting a Discretionary Review hearing must be filled during the 30-day neview certed, pror to the close of business, on the Expiration Date shown below, or the next business day if that date is on a week-and or a legal holiday. If no Requests the Lascretionary Review are fixed, this project will be approved by the Planning Department ofter the Expiration Date.

Members of the public are not required to provide persions identifying instruction when they communicate with the Commission of the Department. At written or one communications, including submitted personal contact information, may be made available to the public far inspection and copyrigupe trequest and may appear on the Department's website or in other public decements

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6	Attorneys for Plaintiffs LISA and PATRICE GAUTIER,			
7 8	as Co-Trustees of the Gautier Family Living Trust Dated February 3, 2007			
9	SUPERIOR COUR	T OF CALIFORNIA		
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24	(collectively, "Plaintiffs") for a Temporary Restraining Order and an OSC Re Preliminary			
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For good cause appearing, and based on the evidence and arguments presented in connection with and at the hearing,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. The Application is granted.
- 2. Defendants Edward S. Yee, M.D. and Victoria J. Yee, Co-Trustees Under That Certain Trust Agreement Dated January 29, 1984 (collectively, "Defendants") shall appear for a hearing on 2 2 2 2 2 a.m. in Department 501 of this Court located at 400 McAllister Street, San Francisco, California 94012, to show cause why a preliminary injunction should not be issued to enjoin Defendants, and all persons acting for, on behalf of, or in concert with Defendants, from:
- (a) Further destroying, disassembling, weakening or otherwise tampering with any part of the parties' jointly-owned elevator structure and system (collectively the "Elevator Structure") located on Plaintiffs' property and Defendants' property;

Further breaching the covenants of the two reciprocal easements of identified in that certain instrument recorded in the Official Records of the San Francisco Recorder's Office as Document No. 1981-92112 (collectively, the Easements');

employees representatives, and independent contractors) to repair and maintain the Elevator Structure and to other comply with the Kasements' covenants,

employees, representatives, and independent contractors) to address and remediate all Notices of Violation issued by the Department of Building Inspection of the City and County of San Francisco with respect to the Elevator Structure; and

(c) Eurther trespassing onto Plaintiffs' property.

This Order to Show Cause and Plaintiffs' application for Preliminary

Injunction shall be served on Defendants by personal service or overnight mail no later than Dec. 10, 2018.

Proof of such service shall be filed at least ______ court-

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days prior to the hearing. Any opposition papers to the Order to Show Cause shall be filed and served on Plaintiffs by personal service or overnight mail no later than Lec. I wold. Any reply papers to the opposition shall be filed and served on Defendants by personal service or overnight mail no later than De. 27, with

entered enjoining Defendants, and all persons acting for, on behalf, or in concert with Defendants, from engaging in the conduct described above in Paragraph 2, (and that pending hearing of the Order to Show Cause and Plaintiffs' application for Preliminary Injunction, local law enforcement officers are authorized to enforce this Order to the full extent of the law, pursuant to Penal Code Section 166(a).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated:

HON. RONALD EVANS QUIDACHAY



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January 30, 2019

EMAIL

David Winslow Principal Architect San Francisco Planning Department 1650 Mission Street, Ste. 400 San Francisco, CA 94103 david.winslow@sfgov.org

Re: <u>Discretionary Review – Building Permit Application No. 2015.0903.6048</u>

Dear Mr. Winslow:

I write on behalf of Edward and Victoria Yee, the project sponsors for Building Permit Application No. 2015.0903.6048 ("Application"), in response to the Supplemental Application for Discretionary Review ("DR Request"), submitted by Lisa and Patrice Gautier to your office on January 2, 2019.

Although Mr. and Mrs. Yee have already submitted written responses to the DR Request, using the Planning Department's online form, I write separately to address the Gautiers' cover letter accompanying the DR Request, through which they inform the Planning Department "that by Order dated December 7, 2018, the San Francisco Superior Court granted the Gautiers' application for a Temporary Restraining Order against the project sponsors" in connection with the Yees' proposed demolition of a portion of an elevator tower structure as part of their Application. The DR Request asks "that the City discontinue its processing of the . . . Application until a final judicial resolution regarding the easement agreement between [the Yees and the Gautiers] has been reached."

I wish to clarify that the Superior Court's Order in no way restricts the Yees from pursuing the Application. Nor does it restrict the City from considering or granting the Application. The temporary Order merely prevents the Yees from executing on a building permit arising out of the Application, to the extent such execution involves physical actions to "destroy[], disassembl[e], weaken[] or otherwise tamper[] with" the elevator tower structure. (See DR Request, Attachment 4.) The Gautiers provide no legal authority—and we are aware of none—that would require the City to suspend consideration of the Application due to simultaneous civil easement litigation.

Mr. David Winslow January 30, 2019 Page 2

The Yees' Application has been pending since 2015, and it is of paramount importance that the City continue its review, notwithstanding the Court's Order. This permitting process must continue pursuant to normal City procedures, while the parallel litigation proceeds on a separate track. The animating reason for the Yees' Application—structural upgrades to 95 St. Germain Ave. to assist with age and disability-related issues—is increasingly urgent. Their entitlement to pursue the Application with the City should not be subordinated to the Gautiers' easement lawsuit, which was filed after the Application had already been pending for more than three years.

Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. I am happy to discuss this matter further, at your convenience.

Very truly yours,

DAVIS WRIGHT TREMAINE LLP

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cc: chris.townes@sfgov.org

RESPONSE TO DISCRETIONARY REVIEW (DRP)





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Project Information				
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1.	Given the concerns of the DR requester and other concerns project should be approved? (If you are not aware of the issues requester in addition to reviewing the attached DR application.)			
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3.	 If you are not willing to change the proposed project or pur that your project would not have any adverse effect on the of your needs for space or other personal requirements that requested by the DR requester. 	surrounding properties. Include an explaination		

Project Features	
Please provide the following information about the project for both the existing and proposed features. sheet with project features that are not included in this table.	Please attach an additional

	EXISTING	PROPOSED
Dwelling Units (only one kitchen per unit - additional kitchens count as additional units)		
Occupied Stories (all levels with habitable rooms)		
Basement Levels (may include garage or windowless storage rooms)		
Parking Spaces (Off-Street)		
Bedrooms		
Height		
Building Depth		
Rental Value (monthly)		
Property Value		

I attest that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:	Date:
Printed Name:	Property Owner Authorized Agent

If you have any additional information that is not covered by this application, please feel free to attach additional sheets to this form.



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7 February 2019

President Rich Hillis and Planning Commissioners San Francisco Planning Commission 1650 Mission Street, Suite 400 San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: 95 St. Germain Avenue Brief in Support of the Project and denial of Discretionary Review (DR) Building Permit #201509036048

Dear President Hillis and Commissioners:

I have been asked by the Project Sponsors, Ed and Victoria Yee (owner's of 95 St. Germain Avenue) to respond to the issues raised by the DR Requestors - Patrice and Lisa Gautier owners of 99 St Germain Avenue.

Please understand that the elevator and garage roof project is being undertaken to provide for an accommodation of the owner's disability. It needs to be constructed so as to accommodate future wheelchair use in a cost efficient manner. The Board of Permit Appeals issued (along with the Zoning Administrator's concurrence) the variance in a Notice of Decision for Appeal No. 16-018 for this project. In public testimony the owner's physical disability was acknowledged.

To directly quote the Board's Decision Findings and Conclusions #7:

"The Board finds evidence in the record that Property owner Victoria Yee possesses a physical disability, as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the California Fiar Employment and Housing Act (FEHA), which requires the use of an elevator, and that the existing elevator is inoperable and in its present location cannot reach the second story (bedroom level) of the Property."

Specific point-by-point responses to the Requestor's brief follow:

1.a. The project documents have been deemed complete (twice) and were thoroughly circulated by the planning department. The project has been designed in compliance with all applicable codes and standards by the Planning Department. All notification requirements were met and all parties have had ample time to review the proposed project.

1.b.i. The buildings adjacent to 95 and throughout the neighborhood have varied design styles - ranging from traditional to modern, and from small to large (**see Exhibits 1 & 2**).

95's and 99's designer, Eugene Lorincz, is not a recognized Mid-Century Modern designer in San Francisco. He is not mentioned in the list of over 125 designers in "San Francisco Modern Architecture and Landscape Design, 1935-1970" (SF Planning's official statement on historic modern architecture). The two buildings were built around 1979, making them only 40 years old. This is not an age eligible building - 50 years is the minimum age to be considered potentially historic. The designer would have to be very exceptional to be considered historically significant in a period of less than 50 years - which he is not. Additionally, my firm is listed in Planning's consultant pool as a qualified architectural historian.

The two buildings are not true mirror images. **See Exhibit 3**. The siding is different and overall the internal layouts vary. A high-level design expression does not existing here. The buildings provide basic shelter and are not of a high design genre.

Of note the proposed design was altered to have a more symmetrical bay window by the Residential Design Team (RDT) and should answer design issues about maintaining a symmetrical expression. Originally we had avoided asking for any more of a variance than was absolutely needed for the elevator installation.

1.b.ii. The variance is not appeal-able in this venue - that time has passed. It was issued with full knowledge of Planning Code Section 305.1 regarding Reasonable Modifications. This elevator is a necessity for a disabled owner to age-in-place- it is not a preference. Being it is a necessity, the expense for reasonable accommodations for the disabled should be minimized - so suggesting that excess costs be incurred for the accommodation creates a hardship. The proposed elevator provides access to primary areas within the home. Also, the DR requestor has not acknowledged a basic right provided under the ADA - which the project's variance approval does.

The existing elevator is completely inadequate for repair or extension (Exhibit 4). It only serves two floors of a four-story building- the street and the main level entry, which is mid-level between the living room and kitchen - thus not internally accessible. Unlike what is being suggested by the Requestor, the cab of a properly designed and constructed code compliant elevator cannot be made to accommodate a wheelchair - there is not enough physical space to accomplish it.

1.b.iii. This project adds about 115 s.f. of floor area to the front of the residence (38 s.f on 3 floors) - 10% of that is an architectural change that was requested by the RDT), thus there is very little effect on the existing building's configuration or its neighbors. (Exhibit 5). Light and air blockage is barely perceptible by the Gautiers (99) (and non-existent for the residents at 91). Removal of the existing elevator shaft will improve the light and air to the entry areas of both homes.

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Finally there are no privacy issues created by the additions, as there are no changes to existing window configurations that could create a privacy concern.

2. The private easement is not a topic that the Planning Commission can address in a DR hearing. The deteriorated condition, missing cab and electrical service, and resultant danger of the existing elevator and bridge make it irreparable as it currently exists. In November of 2017 individual Notices of Violation (201719941 & 201719942) were issued to both property owners by the SF Building Department. Our structural engineer's report's determination, and normal construction methodologies, precludes this structure from being repaired. It is completely unusable and beyond repair - even the cab had been removed.

The Gautiers (99) repair plans inserted a new dumbwaiter into the existing elevator footprint. We presented an alternate inclined dumbwaiter design concept that fit completely on their side of the property line. It was rejected.

Views are not to be considered in a DR request - although the worst-case scenario for the percentage of loss of a peripheral Eastern view in the North living spaces is less than 3%. **See exhibit 5.**

3. The existing elevator is irreparable and completely inadequate for use by a disabled person in a wheelchair. Consider this - suggesting (as the DR Requestor seems to be) that a disabled person can approach the elevator from the street to access an elevator that is too small to accommodate a wheelchair so she can access her interior landing and then not be able to go further into her home is ridiculous. - and then image that on a stormy day.

In closing the proposed design has been evaluated, and is supported by, Planning staff, and is in compliance with all applicable design guidelines, and has been fully communicated to the neighborhood per mandatory notification procedures.

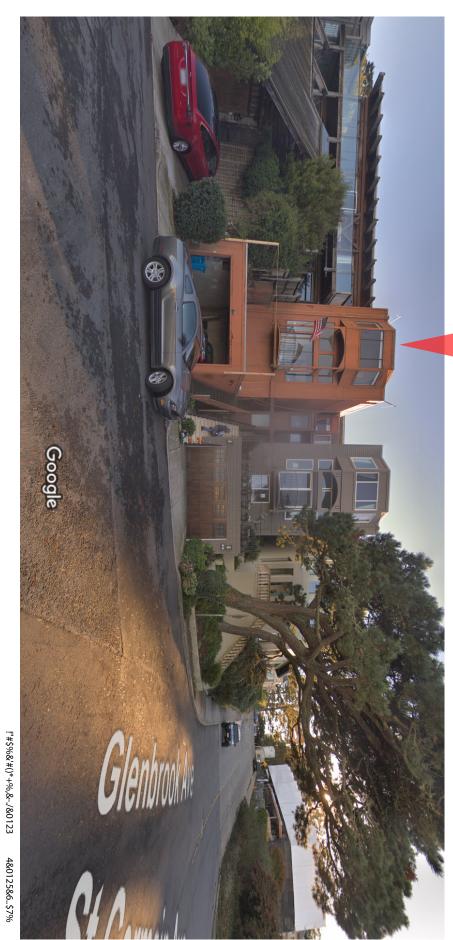
Due to the minor modifications being proposed as an accommodation of a disability and a desire of the property owners to age in place, we request denial of the request by Patrice and Lisa Gautier for a DR Hearing and approval of the project. Thank you for your time and patience in this review.

Sincerely,

Michael Garavaglia, A.I.A., LEED AP BD+C President, Garavaglia Architecture, Inc.

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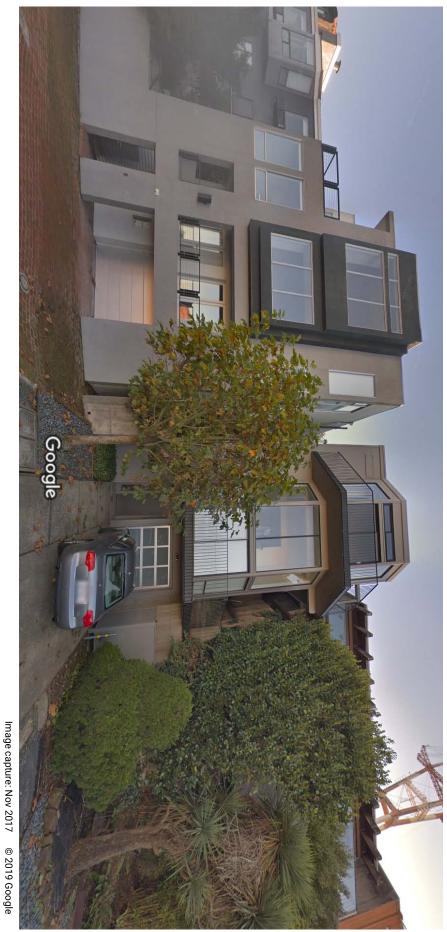


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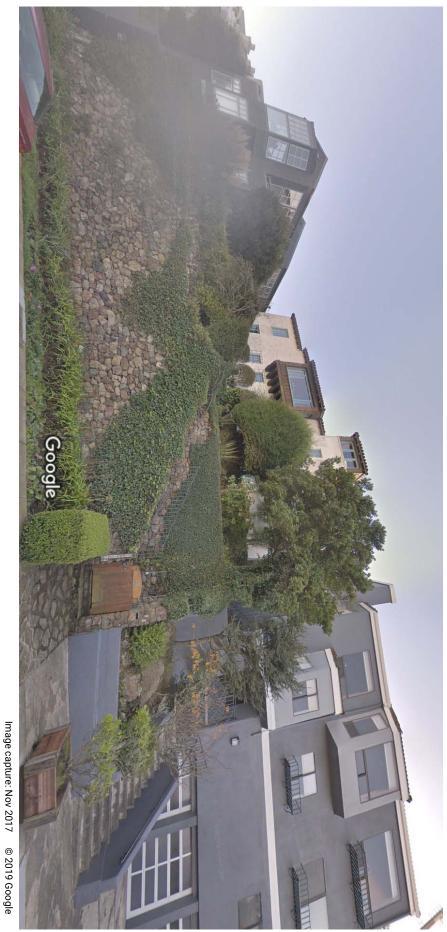
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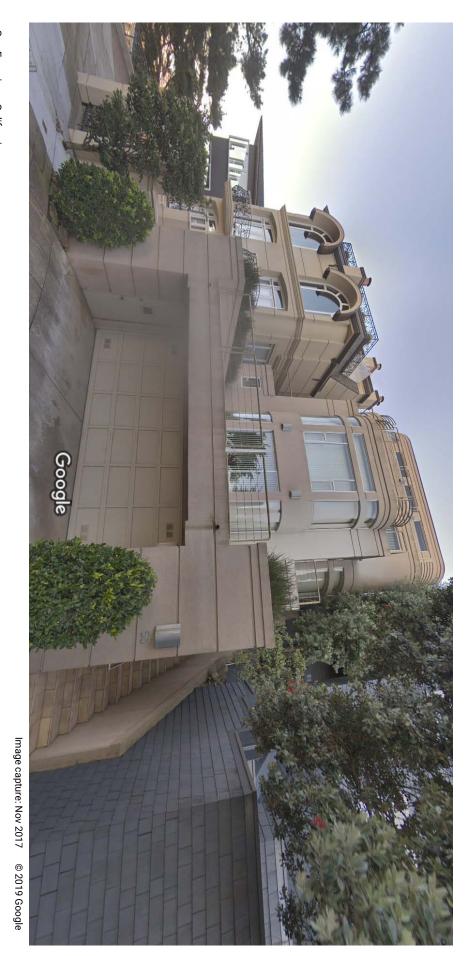


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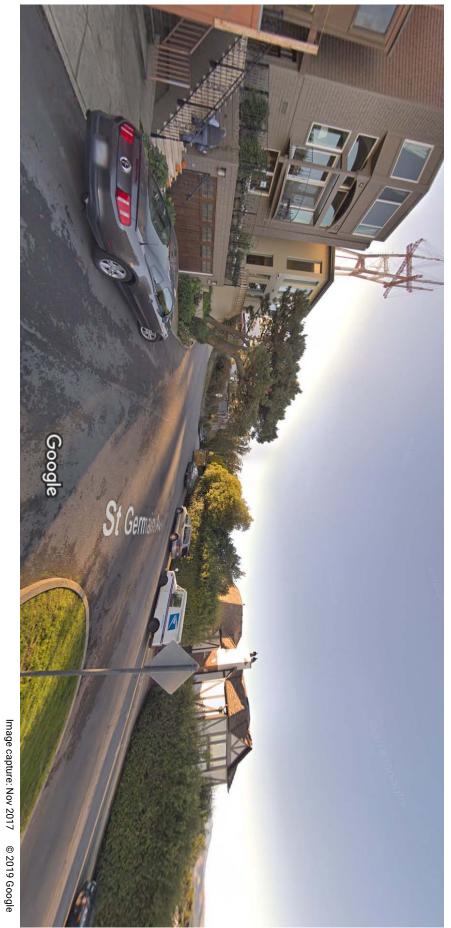
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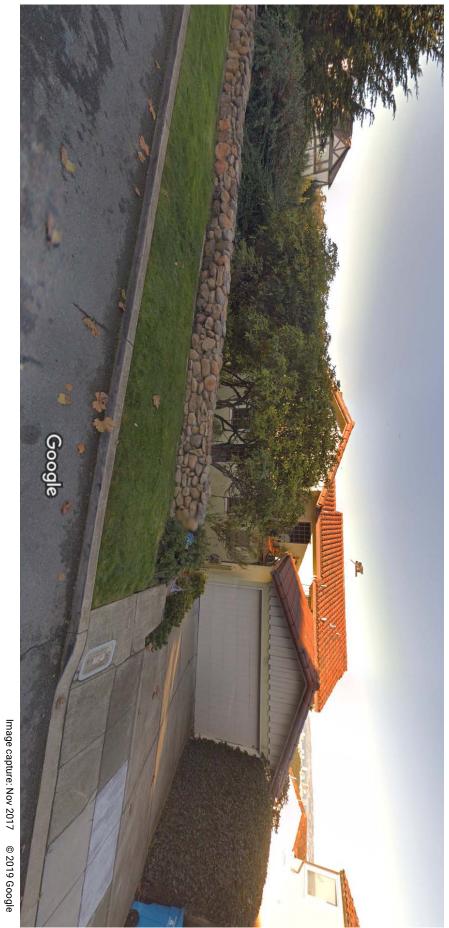
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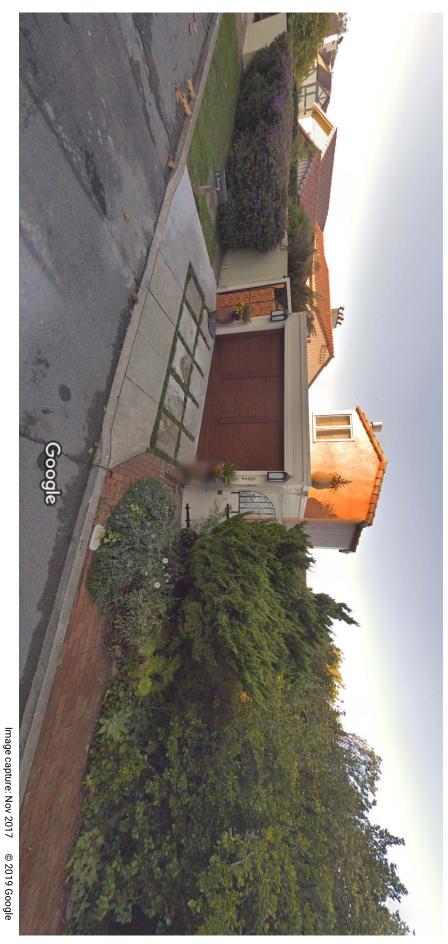
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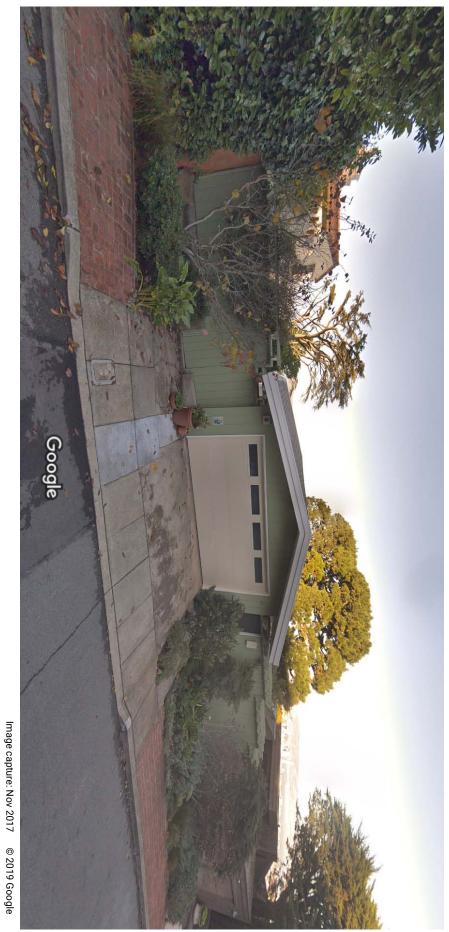
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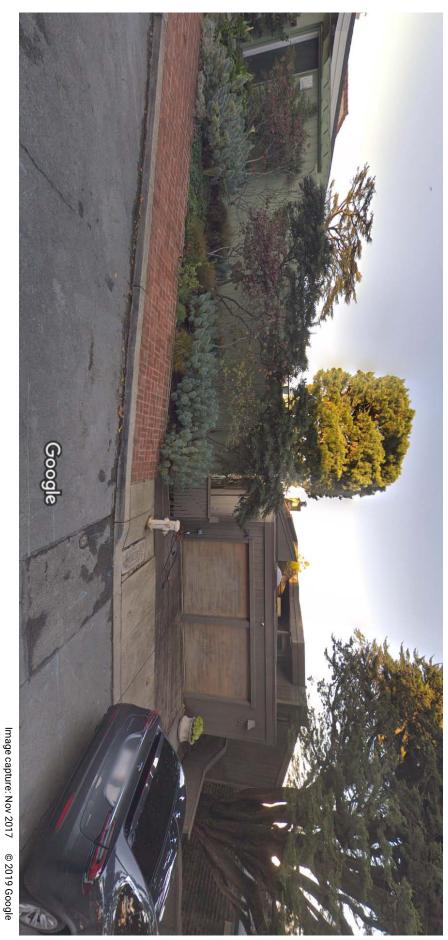
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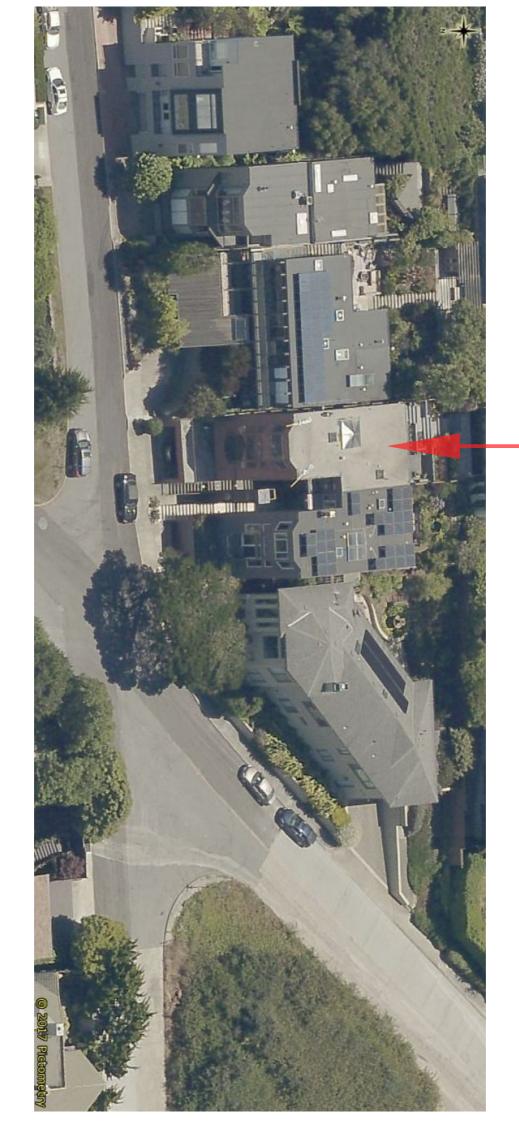
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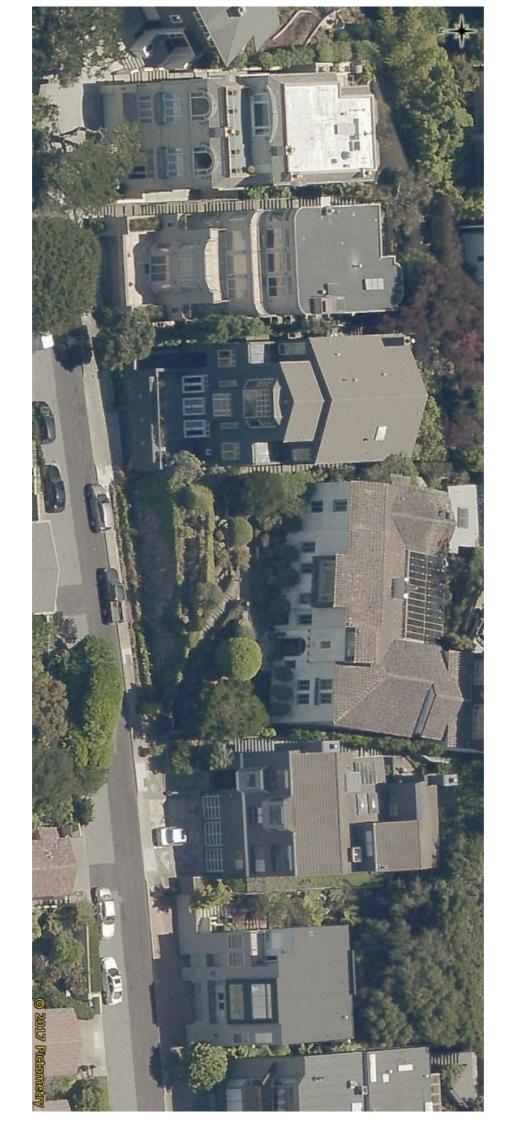
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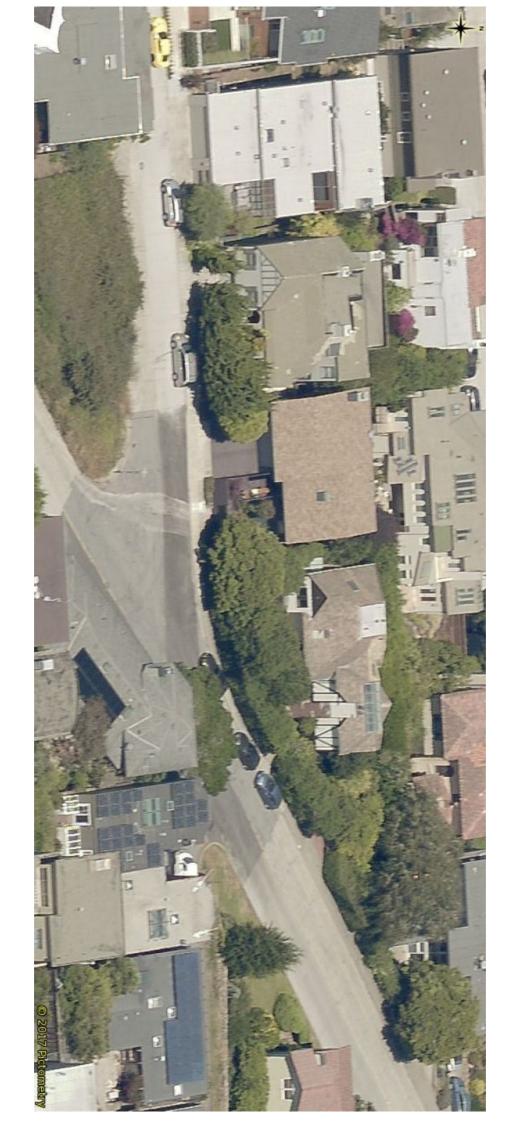
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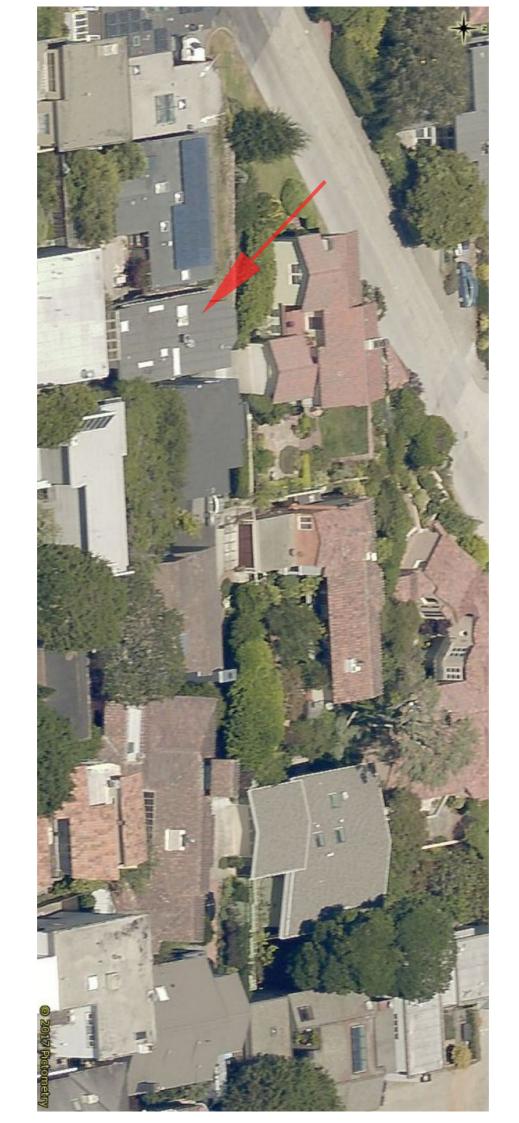
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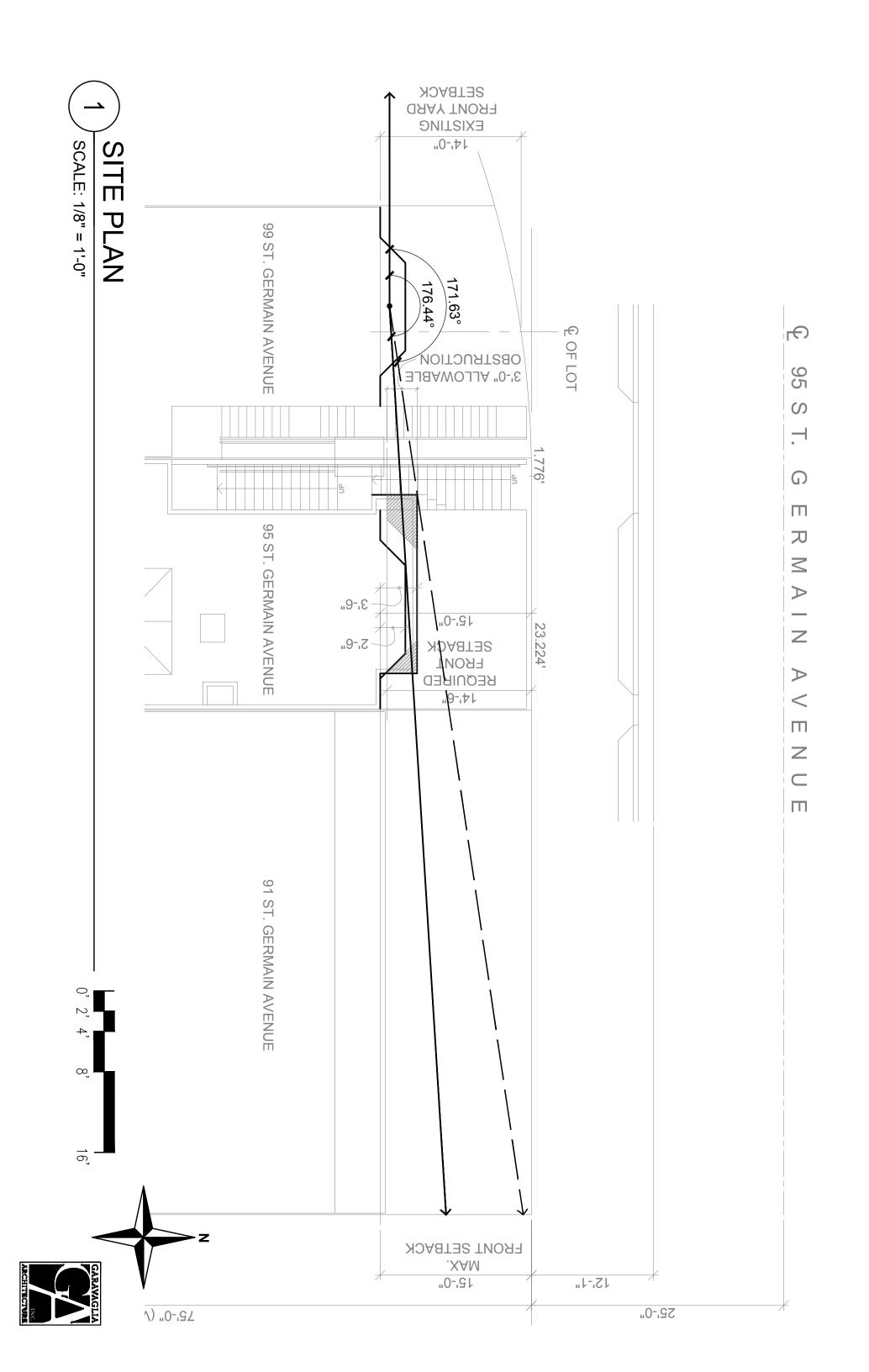
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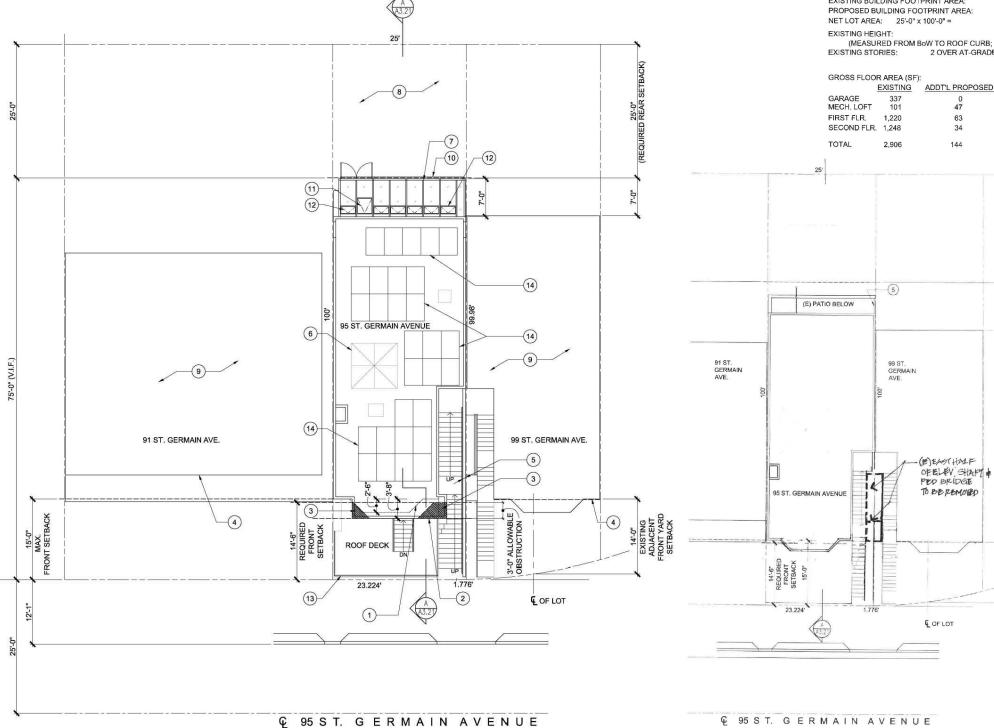
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PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

THE PROPOSAL IS AN EXPANSION OF THE EXISTING GARAGE, FIRST AND SECOND STORIES TO AN EXISTING 2,906 SF, 41 FEET 4 INCHES TALL, 2-STORY OVER 2-BASEMENT, SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENCE WITH TWO OFF-STREET PARKING SPACES. THE 144 SQUARE FOOT EXPANSION WILL INCREASE THE HABITABLE AREA ON THE FIRST AND SECOND STORIES, ADD A NEW ELEVATOR, INCREASE THE GARAGE HEIGHT FROM 9'-4" TO 14'-0" TO ACCOMMODATE A PARKING LIFT WITH A ROOF DECK ABOVE, AND ADD A REAR SUNROOM. THE PROJECT WOULD ENCROACH INTO THE REQUIRED 14'-6" FRONT SETBACK; THEREFORE, A FRONT YARD VARIANCE WAS REQUIRED. ON JANUARY 28, 2016, THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR (ZA) DENIED THE VARIANCE (REF: CASE NO. 2014-002435 VAR); HOWEVER, ON FEBRUARY 5, 2016, THE SPONSOR FILED AN APPEAL OF THE ZA DECISION TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS (BOA) ON THE BASIS THAT THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT REQUIRES THE ELEVATOR AS A DISABILITY ACCOMMODATION. ON NOVEMBER 15, 2017, THE BOA GRANTED THE APPEAL (REF: APPEAL NO. 16-018) AND ORDERED THAT THE VARIANCE DENIAL BE OVERRULED.



PROJECT INFORMATION

ADDRESS: 95 St. GERMAIN AVE SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94114

BLOCK/LOT NO: 2721/050

GROUP RH-1(D)/40-X ZONING:

OCCUPANCY: GROUP R-3

CONSTRUCTION

PROJECT DATA SUMMARY:

EXISTING BUILDING FOOTPRINT AREA: 1,815 SF 2,500 SF 41'-4" +/-(MEASURED FROM BoW TO ROOF CURB; UPHILL LOT) 2 OVER AT-GRADE GARAGE

GROSS FLOO	GROSS FLOOR AREA (SF):			
	EXISTING	ADDT'L PROPOSED	TOTAL	
GARAGE	337	0	337	
MECH. LOFT	101	47	148	
FIRST FLR.	1,220	63	1,283	
SECOND FLR	. 1,248	34	1,282	
TOTAL	2,906	144	3,050	

SHEET NOTES

CODE TABLE 209.1 AND SECTION 132
(a), APPLICABLE FOR PROPOSED USE



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KEY NOTES

- OUTLINE OF (E) FRONT BAY
- DASHED LINE SHOWS ALLOWABLE OBSTRUCTION
- CROSS HATCHED AREA IS AREA BEYOND LIMIT OF ALLOWED OBSTRUCTION
- MAIN WALL OF ADJACENT BUILDING
- (N) LOW WALL GUARD W/ HAND RAIL @ STAIR
- (E) SKYLIGHT
- (N) ALUMINUM FRAMED GREENHOUSE
- (E) TERRACE WALLS & STEPS
- (E) ADJACENT BUILDING
- (N) GUTTER
- GLAZED ACCESS HATCH
- HIGH VENTS TYP. OF 6
- 13 (N) TEMPERED GLASS GUARD
- 14 (N) PHOTOVOLTAIC PANELS (N.I.C.)

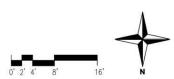
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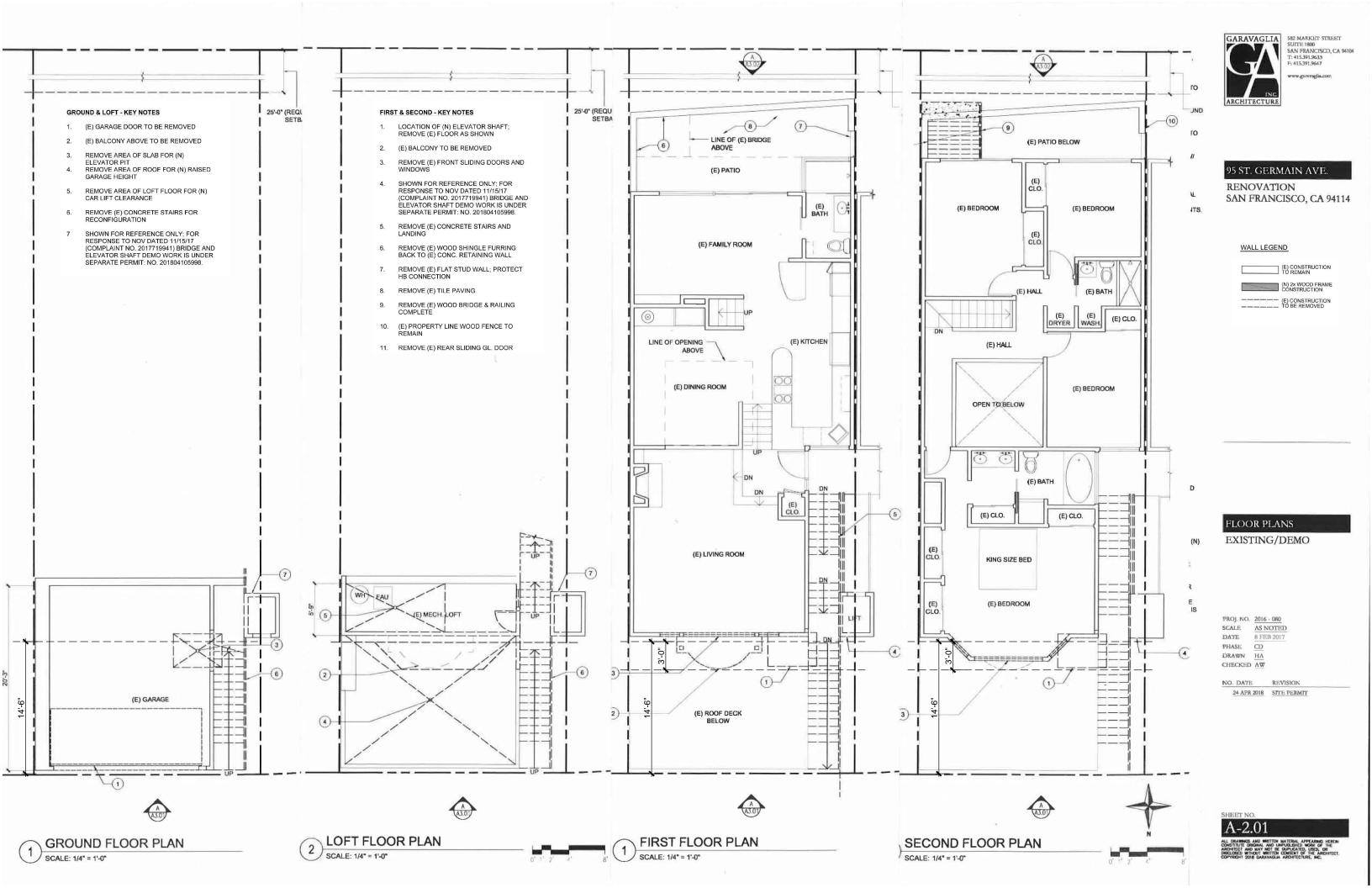
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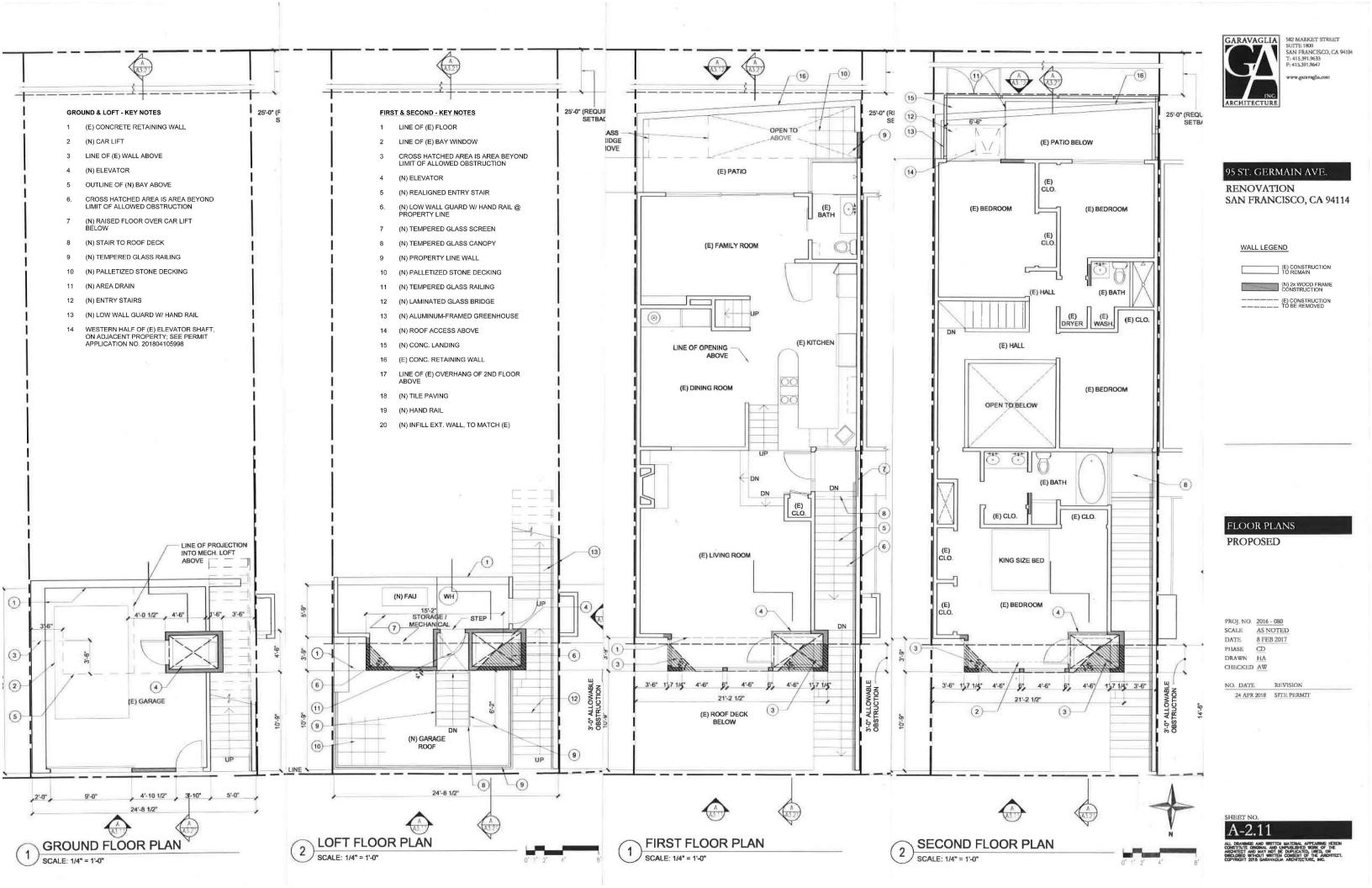
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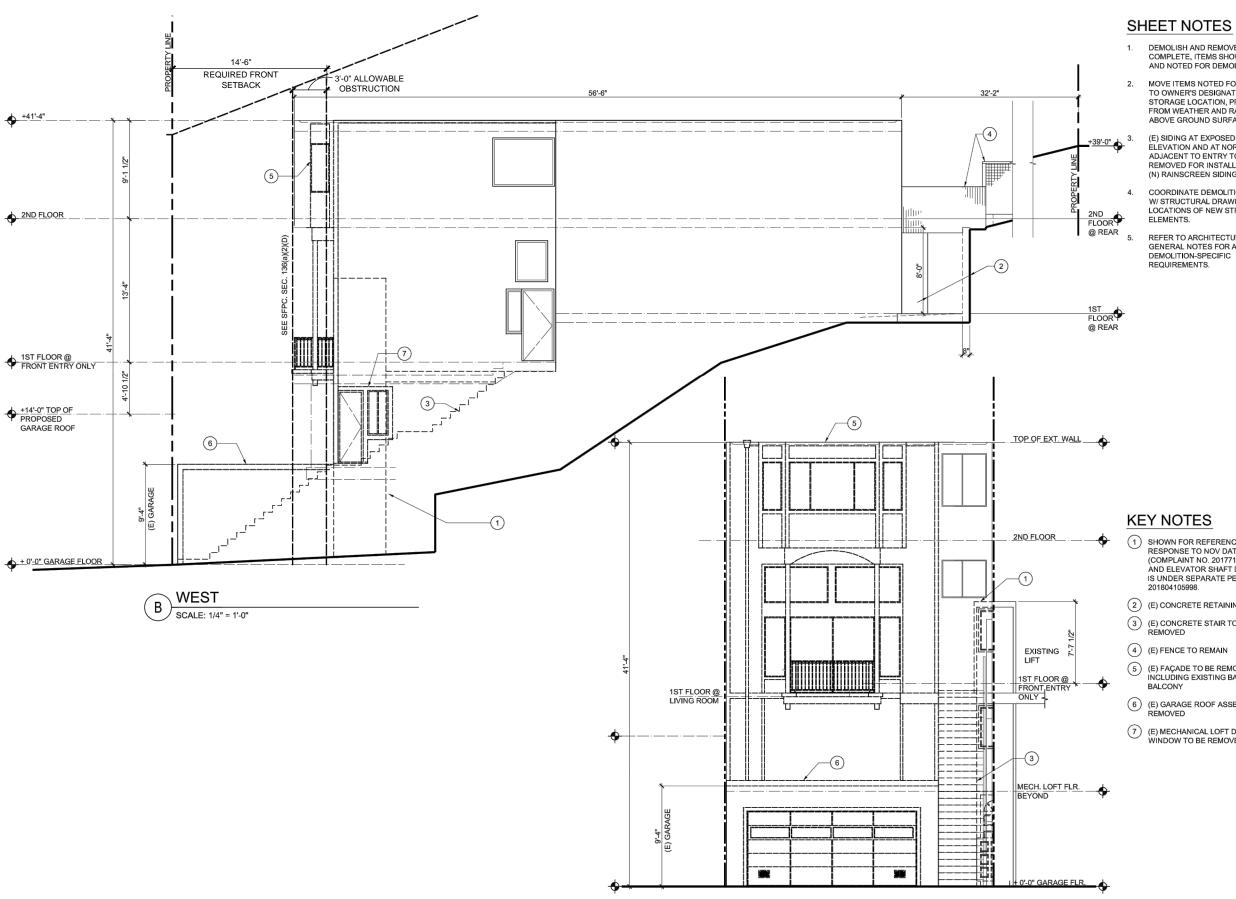
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- DEMOLISH AND REMOVE COMPLETE, ITEMS SHOWN DASHED AND NOTED FOR DEMOLITION.
- MOVE ITEMS NOTED FOR SALVAGE TO OWNER'S DESIGNATED STORAGE LOCATION, PROTECTED FROM WEATHER AND RAISED ABOVE GROUND SURFACE, U.O.N.
 - (E) SIDING AT EXPOSED WEST ELEVATION AND AT NORTH WALL ADJACENT TO ENTRY TO BE REMOVED FOR INSTALLATION OF (N) RAINSCREEN SIDING SYSTEM.
 - COORDINATE DEMOLITION SCOPE W/ STRUCTURAL DRAWINGS FOR LOCATIONS OF NEW STRUCTURAL
- REFER TO ARCHITECTURAL GENERAL NOTES FOR ADDITIONAL DEMOLITION-SPECIFIC



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- 1) SHOWN FOR REFERENCE ONLY; FOR RESPONSE TO NOV DATED 11/15/17 (COMPLAINT NO. 2017719941) BRIDGE AND ELEVATOR SHAFT DEMO WORK IS UNDER SEPARATE PERMIT: NO.
- (E) CONCRETE RETAINING WALL
- (E) CONCRETE STAIR TO BE REMOVED
- (E) FAÇADE TO BE REMOVED INCLUDING EXISTING BAY WINDOW &
- (E) GARAGE ROOF ASSEMBLY TO BE REMOVED
- (E) MECHANICAL LOFT DOOR AND WINDOW TO BE REMOVED

ELEVATIONS

EXISTING & DEMO

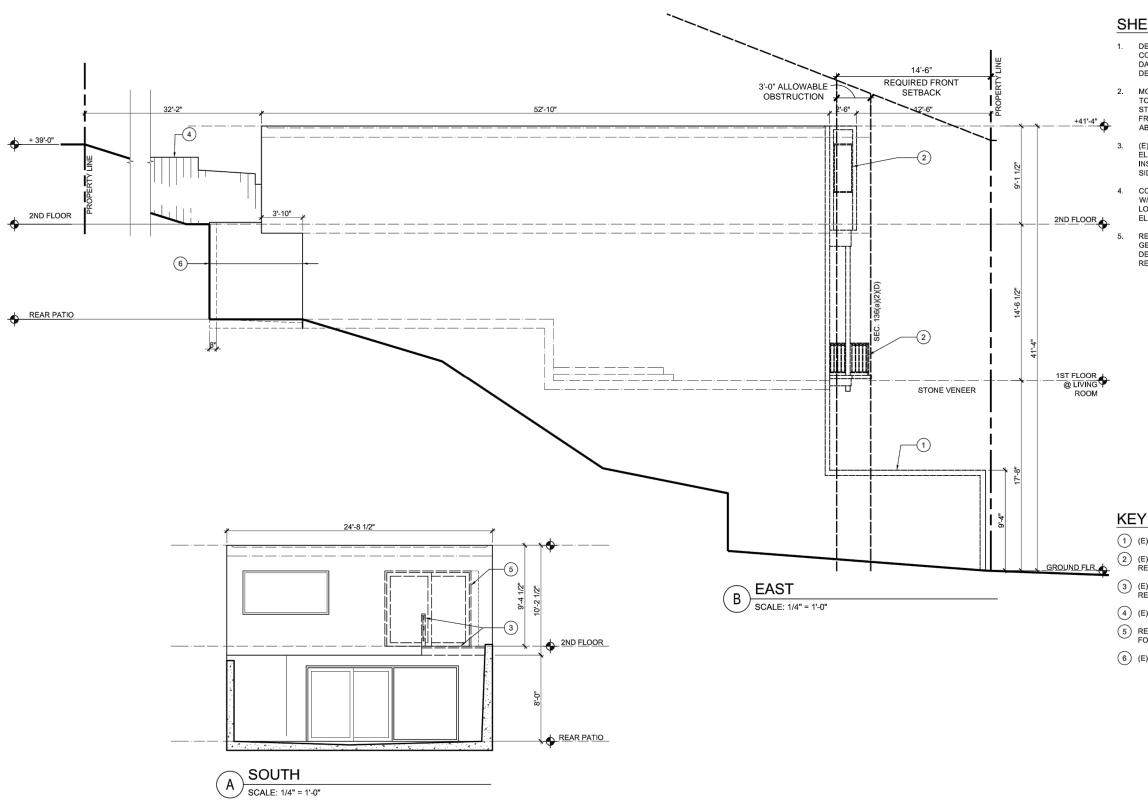
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- DEMOLISH AND REMOVE COMPLETE, ITEMS SHOWN DASHED AND NOTED FOR DEMOLITION.
- 2. MOVE ITEMS NOTED FOR SALVAGE TO OWNER'S DESIGNATED STORAGE LOCATION, PROTECTED FROM WEATHER AND RAISED ABOVE GROUND SURFACE, U.O.N.
- . (E) SIDING AT EXPOSED EAST ELEVATION TO BE REMOVED FOR INSTALLATION OF (N) RAINSCREEN SIDING SYSTEM.
- COORDINATE DEMOLITION SCOPE
 W/ STRUCTURAL DRAWINGS FOR
 LOCATIONS OF NEW STRUCTURAL
 ELEMENTS.
- REFER TO ARCHITECTURAL
 GENERAL NOTES FOR ADDITIONAL
 DEMOLITION-SPECIFIC
 REQUIREMENTS.



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KEY NOTES

- 1) (E) ROOF ASSEMBLY TO BE REMOVED
- (E) BALCONY & BAY WINDOW TO BE REMOVED
- (E) BRIDGE AND GUARD TO BE REMOVED
- (E) FENCE TO REMAIN IN PLACE
- REMOVE (E) SLIDING GLASS DOOR FOR INSTALLATION OF SMALLER UNIT
- (6) (E) CONCRETE RETAINING WALL

ELEVATIONS

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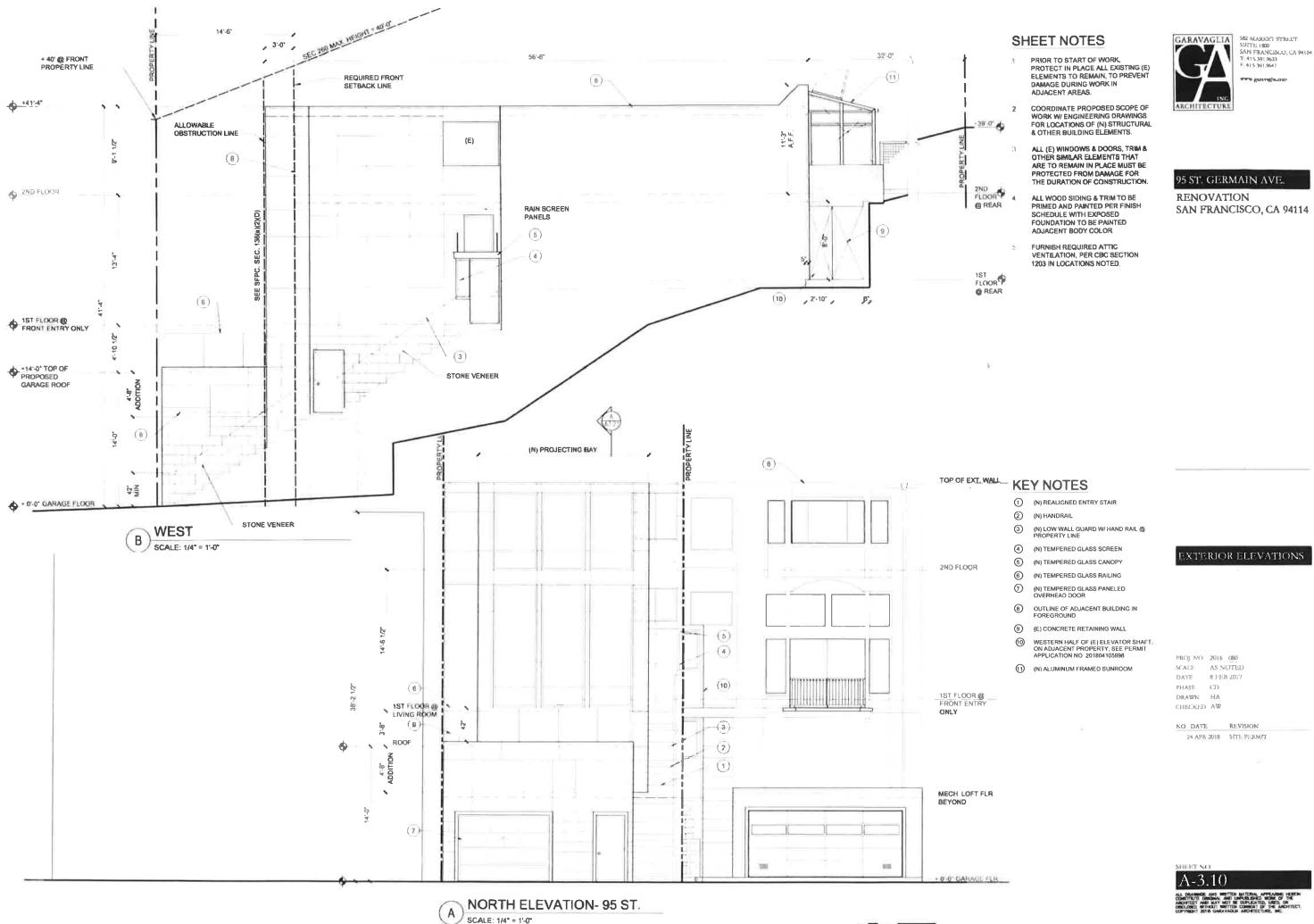
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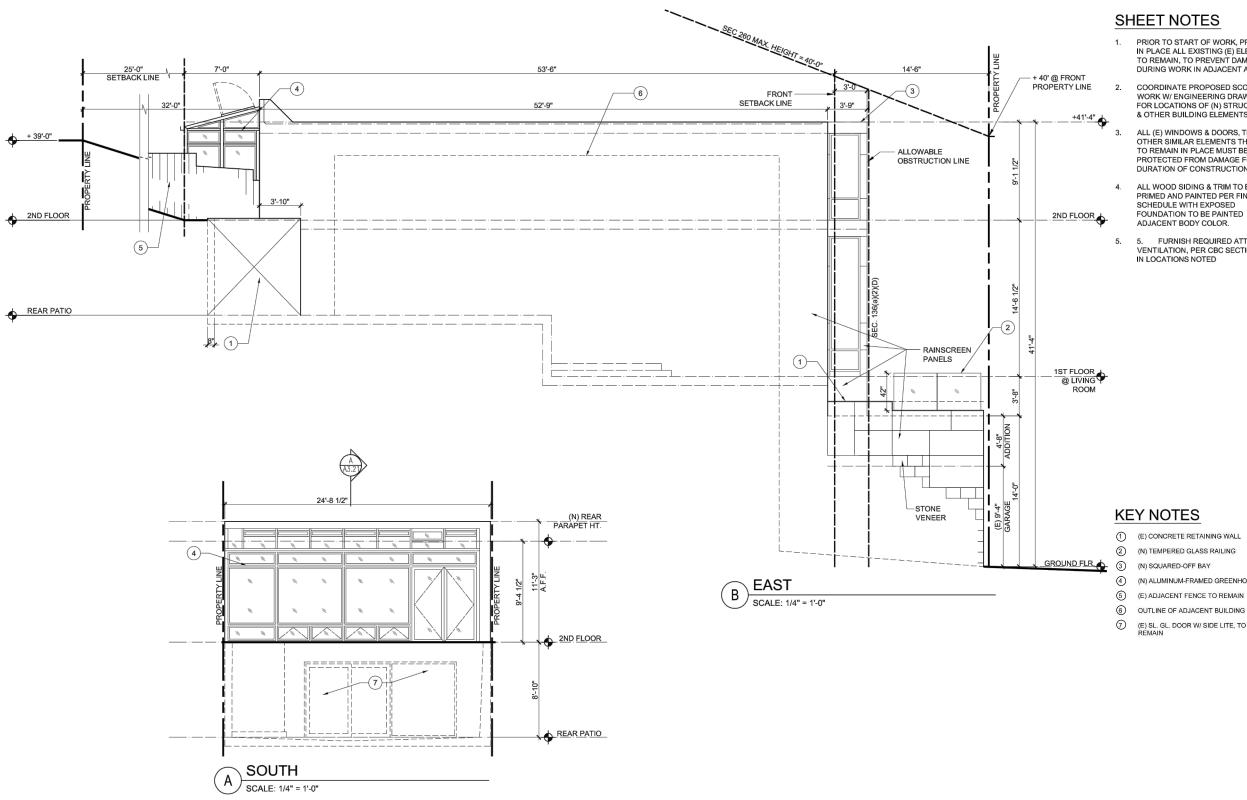
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- 1. PRIOR TO START OF WORK, PROTECT IN PLACE ALL EXISTING (E) ELEMENTS
 TO REMAIN, TO PREVENT DAMAGE
 DURING WORK IN ADJACENT AREAS.
- 2. COORDINATE PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORK W ENGINEERING DRAWINGS FOR LOCATIONS OF (N) STRUCTURAL & OTHER BUILDING ELEMENTS.
- ALL (E) WINDOWS & DOORS, TRIM & OTHER SIMILAR ELEMENTS THAT ARE TO REMAIN IN PLACE MUST BE PROTECTED FROM DAMAGE FOR THE DURATION OF CONSTRUCTION.
- ALL WOOD SIDING & TRIM TO BE PRIMED AND PAINTED PER FINISH SCHEDULE WITH EXPOSED FOUNDATION TO BE PAINTED ADJACENT BODY COLOR.
- 5. FURNISH REQUIRED ATTIC VENTILATION, PER CBC SECTION 1203 IN LOCATIONS NOTED



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- (E) CONCRETE RETAINING WALL
- (N) TEMPERED GLASS RAILING
- (N) ALUMINUM-FRAMED GREENHOUSE
- (E) ADJACENT FENCE TO REMAIN
- (E) SL. GL. DOOR W/ SIDE LITE, TO REMAIN

ELEVATIONS

PROPOSED

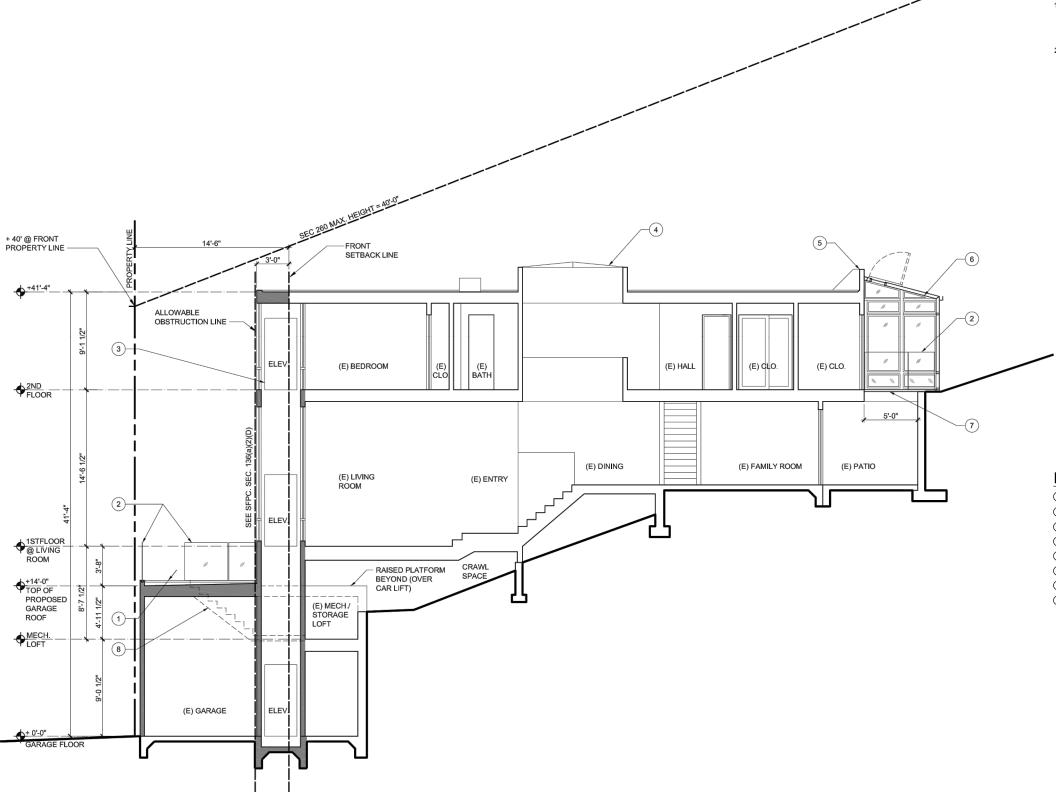
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- FURNISH REQUIRED ATTIC VENTILATION
 PER CBC SECTION 1203 IN LOCATIONS
 NOTED. VENT LOCATION: UNDER EAVE
 & AT RIDGE.
- 2. PROVIDE REQUIRED CRAWLSPACE VENTILATION VENTS AS REQUIRED BY CBC SECTION 1203



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KEY NOTES

- (N) PALLETIZED STONE DECKING
- ② (N) 42" HIGH TEMPERED GLASS GUARD
- (N) ELEVATOR & SHAFT
- (E) SKYLIGHT & CURB
- (N) RAISED PARAPET
- (N) ALUMINUM-FRAMED GREENHOUSE
- (N) LAMINATED GLASS BRIDGE
- (N) STAIR

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