

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

MEETING DATE: JULY 21, 2015

ITEM NUMBER: PH-3

SUBJECT: PLANNING APPLICATION PA-15-10 AND TENTATIVE TRACT MAP TT-17870 FOR A 6-UNIT, DETACHED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT 2366 ORANGE AVENUE

FROM: PLANNING DIVISION/DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT

PRESENTATION BY: MEL LEE, SENIOR PLANNER

DATE: JULY 14, 2015

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RECOMMENDATION:

UPHOLD the Planning Commission's decision to approve the proposed project, described below:

- 1. *Planning Application PA-15-10:* Design Review to construct a six-unit, two-story, small lot subdivision on a 23,159 sq. ft. lot in an R2-MD zone. The project will include an automatic gate off the Orange Avenue entrance. In addition, the project requests the following deviations from the R2-MD development standards:
 - a. Administrative adjustment from front yard setback for Lot 6/ Plan C (20 feet required; 12 feet proposed off Norse Avenue).
 - b. Minor modification for front yard setback for a front porch on Lot 1/ Plan A (20 feet required; 16 feet proposed).

The property is a through lot with access from Orange Avenue and Norse. The property two-story detached homes consist of 3 to 4 bedrooms and two-car garage with a minimum interior dimension of 20' x 20'.

2. *Tentative Tract Map TT-17870:* A Residential Small Lot Subdivision consisting of six fee simple lots.

<u>APPLICANT</u>: The applicant is Eric Trabert of E.T.A. Residential Design, representing Kings Road Partners LLC, the property owner.

<u>APPELLANT:</u> The appellant is Douglas F. Gorrie.

PLANNING APPLICATION SUMMARY

Location:	2366 Orange Ave APN: 119-092-43	Applicat	ion Number:	PA-15-10 & TT-17870		
Request:	Design Review of a six unit two-sto	ry residential de	velopment ar	nd a tentative trac	t map.	
SUBJECT F	PROPERTY:	SURROUNI		ERTY:		
	R2-MD Multi-Family Residential, Medium Density	North:	R2-MD Density	Multi-Family	Residential,	Med.
General Pla	n: MDR	South:	R-1	Single-Family Re	sidential	
Lot	82.5 FT x 300 FT	East:	R2-MD	Multi-Family	Residential,	Med.
Dimensions			Density	•		
Lot Area:	23,159 square feet	West:	R-1	Single-Family Re	sidential	
			R2-MD Density	Multi-Family	Residential,	Med.
Existing Dev	/elopment:					

One parcel with 6-unit one-story residential development

DEVELOPMENT STANDARD COMPARISON				
Development Standard	Required/Allowed Small Lot Subdivision Ordinance	Proposed/Provided		
Lot Area	No minimum per Small Lot Subdivision Standards	Lot 1- 4,744 SF (Orange Ave) Lot 2- 3,603 SF Lot 3- 3,603 SF Lot 4- 3,603 SF Lot 5- 3,603 SF Lot 5- 4,005 SF (Norse Ave)		
Open space (development lot)	30% (6,947 SF) of total lot area per Small Lot Subdivision Standards	7,528 SF– 33%		
Open space (individual unit)	200 SF with no dimension less than 10 feet per Small Lot Subdivision Standards	Lot 1- 371 SF (10 ft. min. dim.) Lot 2- 202 SF (13 ft. min. dim.) Lot 3- 202 SF (13 ft. min. dim.) Lot 4- 202 SF (13 ft. min. dim.) Lot 5- 202 SF (13 ft. min. dim.) Lot 6- 228 SF (10 ft. min. dim.)		
Density:				
General Plan – MDR (Med. Density Residential Land Use)	Max. 12 du/ac	11 du/ac		
Zone – R2-MD (Multi-Family Residential, Med. Density	1 du/3,630 SF Max. 6 dwelling units	1 du/3,860 SF (11.3 du/ac) 6 dwelling units		
Building Height	Two-stories / 27 ft.	Two-stories / 27 ft. (all units)		
Distance between main buildings	No Minimum /SLO	6'-4" (Lot 2 & 3 and Lot 4 & 5) 6'-8" (Lot 5 & 6) 7'-0" (Lot 1 & 2 and Lot 3 &4)		
Chimney Height	2 FT Above Max. Bldg. Ht. for total of 29 feet.	Lot 1- N/A (Orange Ave) Lot 2- 2'-0" Lot 3- 2'-0" Lot 4- 2'-0" Lot 5- 2'-0" Lot 5- 2'-0" Lot 6- N/A (Norse Ave)		
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Building Setbacks:	20 ft.	16 ft.1		
Front (Orange Ave)	20 It.	1011.1		

Side	5 ft.	5 ft.
Side	5 ft.	22 ft.
Front (Norse Ave)	20 ft.	12 ft. ²
% ratio of 2nd floor to 1st floor (Plan A) % ratio of 2nd floor to 1st floor (Plan	100%	Plan A- 89%
B1-A) % ratio of 2nd floor to 1st floor (Plan		Plan B1-A - 95%
B2-A) % ratio of 2nd floor to 1st floor (Plan		Plan B2-A - 95%
B1-B) % ratio of 2nd floor to 1st floor (Plan		Plan B1-B - 95%
B2-B) % ratio of 2nd floor to 1st floor (Plan C)		Plan B2-B - 93%
		Plan C - 95%
Parking		
Covered	2 garage spaces (3 or more bedrooms) each unit	12 spaces
Open	2 open spaces (3 or more bedrooms) each unit + one additional on-site guest parking for developments with 5 to 10 units	13 spaces
TOTAL	25 spaces	25 spaces
Interior garage dimension	10' x 20' – One Car Garage 20' x 20'– Two Car Garage	20' x 20'
Driveway Length	19 ft.	20 ft. (Lot 1) 18 ft. ³ (Lot 2) 18 ft. ³ (Lot 3) 18 ft. ³ (Lot 4) 18 ft. ³ (Lot 5) 18 ft. ³ (Lot 6)
Final Action Planning Commission		
CEQA Review Exempt, Class 32 for In-Fill Development Projects.		

Administrative Adjustment required. 2.

18-foot driveway length minimum per Transportation Services. 3.

BACKGROUND

Project Site/Environs

The project site is located on the east side of Orange Avenue, between Orange Avenue and Norse Ave. Norse Avenue is a cul-de-sac street abutting a portion of the easterly property line, and will provide secondary access for the proposed development site. The site is 0.53 acres (23,159 square feet) in size. The property zoned R2-MD (Multiple Family Residential, Medium Density) and has a General Plan Land Use Designation of Medium Density Residential. The site is bounded by two 2-story and one single-story residences to the north, as well as one 2-story and three single-story residences to the south. Across Orange Ave (west of project) is a two-story residence, and one-story residences are abutting the easterly property line. The existing single-story residences on the site will be demolished to accommodate the proposed project.

A detailed discussion of the various components of the proposed project is contained the Planning Commission Staff Report dated June 22, 2015, a copy of which is attached to this report (see Attachment 2). A link to the original June 22, 2015, staff report is provided at following link:

http://www.costamesaca.gov/ftp/planningcommission/agenda/2015/2015-06-22/PH-3.pdf

Also, Attachment 5 provides a copy of the (Unofficial) Planning Commission Minute Excerpts from the June 22, 2015, Planning Commission.

Summary of Planning Commission Action

The Planning Commission held a public hearing on June 22, 2015, which included presentation of the project by staff and the applicant. In addition, public comments were received by the Planning Commission. Based on the evidence and testimony presented during the hearing, the Planning Commission voted to approve the project by a 4-0 vote, with Commissioner Stephan Andranian absent. An appeal of the Planning Commission's decision was filed on June 29, 2015.

Appeal/De Novo Hearing

It should be noted that the City Council hearing for this appeal is a **de novo hearing** in which the City Council may consider the project in its entirety. The purpose of this report is to provide responses to the issues raised by the appellant, and to highlight and/or clarify the evidence in the administrative record that was presented to the Planning Commission prior to its action.

Issues Raised by Appellant in Appeal Application

The following is a listing of the concerns described in the appeal application:

- 1. The Planning Commission did not hear all the pertinent information;
- 2. A no thru-access driveway to Norse Avenue is better for neighborhood;

3. To many unresolved design issues, including the following: grading alternatives; landscape screening; fenestration mitigation measures; no traffic study performed regarding proposed gate on Orange Avenue; through driveway at Norse Avenue will increase traffic on Norse Avenue due to increased density; privacy and quality of life issues were not mitigated; diminished use for house at Wilson Street; loft spaces not intended to be bedrooms and shall have clerestory windows only and no closets; flip subject houses to align with adjacent apartment structures along north property line; block wall 8 feet high along south property line (10 foot wall preferred).

ANALYSIS

The following analysis provides responses to the concerns raised by the appellant. More detailed information is provided in the Planning Commission staff report.

• Concerns about incomplete pertinent information regarding the proposed project.

The Planning Commission received a completed staff report and all public correspondence prior to and at the Planning Commission meeting. Specifically:

- <u>Public Hearing on June 22, 2015</u>. Staff presented information to Planning Commission regarding the proposed 6-unit, two-story residential development to be built per the Residential Small Lot Subdivisions Ordinance. Staff provided a staff report addressing the justification for approval, along with public notice records from neighboring property owners, including the appellant.
- <u>Policy and Code Compliance</u>. The Planning Commission also considered the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines and the effect of the proposed development on the light, air, and privacy of adjacent properties with specific regard to the abutting single-family residential properties along E. Wilson Street in the R1 zone (southerly property line) and the adjacent multi-family and single-family structures in the R2-MD zone at Orange and Norse Avenue (northerly property line).
- <u>Additional Conditions of Approval</u>. The Planning Commission provided additional conditions of approval to address public concerns, including requiring transom windows along 5-foot side setback along the southerly elevations of Units 1 through 6, landscaping or screening alternatives along the southerly elevations of Units 1 through 6, and restrictions on constructing a full height wall or converted the Bonus Room to a bedroom for Unit A.
- Opposition to the proposed thru-access driveway between Orange Avenue and Norse Avenue.
 - <u>Proposed driveway complies with City requirements</u>. The Transportation Division determined that the proposed access, including a proposed gate at Orange Avenue, would be compliant with City requirements.

- O <u>Planning Commission concurred with the proposed driveway and through access to Norse Avenue.</u> The proposed thru-access driveway was considered by Planning Commission as quality design compared to a limited, single-access driveway because it would reduce the need for automobiles to backup when entering and leaving the project site. They also believed that it would be a safer design by allowing emergency vehicles adequate access on to the site. A conditional of approval requires an automatic gate along the Orange Avenue entrance. The proposed gate would eliminate thru-access traffic for non-resident vehicular traffic, and therefore would likely not cause increased traffic along Norse Avenue.
- Issues related to grading alternatives and drainage.
 - O <u>Grading and Drainage shall comply with Code requirements.</u> Per the conditions of approval, the subject property's ultimate finished grade level may not be filled/raised in excess of 30 inches above the finished grade of any abutting property. If additional fill dirt is needed to provide acceptable on-site storm water flow to a public street, an alternative means of accommodating that drainage shall be approved by the City's Building Official prior to issuance of any grading or building permits. In any case, development of subject property shall preserve or improve the existing pattern of drainage on abutting properties. The applicant is advised that recordation of a drainage easement across the private street may be required to fulfill this requirement.
- Concerns with the proposed landscape screening and window locations.
 - <u>Landscape Screening required by condition of approval.</u> The proposed project site will be required to abide by all conditions of approval related to landscape screening along the southerly property line. As a condition of approval required by Planning Commission, a final landscape plan shall include a minimum of one 24-inch box tree along the southerly property line of each individual dwelling unit for screening purposes to the satisfaction of the Development Services Director. The applicant may propose other landscaping or screening alternatives for the review/approval of the Development Services Director to satisfy this requirement.
 - <u>Window size and placement modification (transom windows) required by</u> <u>the Planning Commission.</u> The proposed project site will be required to abide by all conditions of approval related to fenestration along the southerly property line. As a condition of approval required by Planning Commission, the applicant will be required to modify the southerly elevations of Lots 1 through 6 with transom windows on the second story elevations along the 5-foot side setback, provided that building code and fire code requirements are met.
- Concerns about the traffic analysis, circulation, and safety.

 Traffic analysis related to transportation and circulation issues related to the proposed gate along Orange Avenue were considered by the Planning Commission, including discussion of any impacts to traffic.

The proposed site plan for the 6-unit small lot subdivision includes a private gate for the thru-access driveway along the Orange Avenue entrance. As part of the preliminary review, the proposed gate was reviewed by Transportation Service Division for conformance to the Transportation Service requirements. Transportation Services requires a minimum of 20 feet setback behind the property line along Orange Avenue to prevent queuing along Orange Avenue.

Per the conditions of approval, the automatic gate at Orange Avenue placed along the private driveway shall be subject final review/approval by the Transportation Manager, and shall also meet requirements per Costa Mesa Sanitary District regarding entry. Gates shall be of high quality design and feature a low noise type of gate to the extent feasible. In addition, private property signs shall be displayed on gates

- Increased density was a concern expressed in the appeal application.
 - <u>The proposed project conforms with the General Plan (six units allowed, six units proposed).</u>

The proposed project site is currently developed with six multi-family units. The project site is 0.53 acres, and therefore would allow for a maximum of **six** units. The project, as proposed, is consistent with the General Plan land use designation. In addition, the R2-MD zone density standards allow for one dwelling unit per 3,630 square feet of lot area. The proposed project is 23,159 square feet, which would allow for **six** dwelling units. Therefore, the proposed project is consistent with both the General Plan land use designation and zoning, and does not propose increased density.

	Development Standard	Units
Existing Development	1 du/3,860 SF (11.3 du/ac)	6 dwelling units
MDR Land Use	12 du/ac	6 dwelling units
R2-MD Zone	1 du/3,630 SF	6 dwelling units
Proposed	1 du/3,860 SF (11.3 du/ac)	6 dwelling units
Development		_

- Concerns related to the proposed side yard setback along the southerly property line. The proposed project complies with Code (5 feet required, 5 to 13 feet proposed).
 - o <u>The proposed project conforms with the development lot interior side</u> <u>setbacks per Article 2.5, Residential Small Lot Subdivision, and provides for</u> <u>an average interior side setback of 6 to 7 feet.</u>

The Planning Commission determined that the minimum 5-foot setback (and up to 13-foot setback) along the southerly property line of the development lot complied with the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines. The Zoning Code does not provide setback relief from R1 properties. The proposed residential unit's southerly facing façades do not run entirely along the 5-foot setback line, but provide for increased interior side setbacks, as portions of the buildings are setback at 10-13 feet to meet the private open space requirements. Therefore, the average interior side setback for each unit is 6 to 7 feet from the southerly property line.

 Concerns about privacy and quality of life issues related to the proposed 5-foot side yard setback along the southerly property line are raised, in addition to mitigation to improve privacy, quality of life, and full use of property for the homes along Wilson Street.

The Planning Commission considered the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines and the effect of the proposed development on the light, air, and privacy of adjacent properties with specific regard to the abutting single-family residential properties along E. Wilson Street in the R1 zone (southerly property line) and the adjacent multi-family and single-family structures in the R2-MD zone at Orange and Norse Avenue (northerly property line).

The Planning Commission determined that the minimum 5-foot setback (and up to 13-foot setback) along the southerly property line of the development lot complied with the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines and found that this side yard setback would provide adequate light, air, and privacy to the abutting single-family residential properties along E. Wilson Street. The Planning Commission also found that the proposed project was exempt from the Residential Design Guideline as it relates to the average side yard setback requirement of 10 feet on the second story.

This requirement would not apply to two-story new construction with less than 2,700 square feet of living area (not including garage). In this case, the proposed single-family residential unit sizes range between 2,265 square feet and 2,678 square feet, and are therefore exempt from the requirement. The Planning Commission provided additional conditions of approval to address privacy and quality of life issues, including requiring transom windows along the 5-foot side setback along the southerly elevations of Lots 1 through 6, and landscaping or screening alternatives along the southerly elevations of Lots 1 through 6.

 Concern about the proposed loft spaces and bonus rooms being used as bedrooms.

The proposed project includes two units with four bedrooms plus a bonus room, and four units with three bedrooms plus a loft. During the public comment period at Planning Commission, there was a specific concern regarding the bonus room for Unit A. The concern was regarding the potential to "wall off" the bonus room and turning it into a bedroom. To remedy the concern, the Planning Commission

required a condition of approval stating that the CC&Rs shall include a restriction that expressly prohibits the following: (1) the construction of a full height wall for the Bonus Room on the second floor of Unit 1 (Plan A) and/or (2) conversion of the Bonus Room into a bedroom.

• An alternative site plan, which includes aligning the residential units for Lot 1 through Lot 5 along the northerly property line, as well as providing no thru-access driveway, was submitted by the appellant.

An alternative site plan, which included aligning the residential units for Lot 1 through Lot 5 along the northerly property line, as well as providing no thru-access driveway, was addressed by Planning Commission and determined to be the less favorable alternative. The proposed site plan, which provides a thru-access driveway between Orange Avenue and Norse Avenue, was considered by Planning Commission as a benefit for the project site.

- A new ten foot wall is being requested.
 - <u>The proposed project requires a 6-foot high decorative wall or</u> <u>stained/tread fence as approved by the Development Services Director,</u> <u>however there is no requirement for a higher wall.</u>

During the meeting, the Commission discussed the possibility to condition an 8-foot fence along the southerly property line to help address privacy issues. The Planning Commission eventually did not find it necessary to require an 8-foot or taller fence. The Planning Commission determined that additional conditions of approval, including requiring transom windows along the 5-foot side setback of Lots 1 through 6, and landscaping or screening alternatives along the southerly elevations of Lots 1 through 6, to be most effective for addressing privacy issues. The conditions of approval will require a decorative 6-foot high perimeter block wall, or stained/treated fence, as approved by the Development Services Director.

LEGAL REVIEW

The draft resolution has been reviewed and approved as to form by the City Attorney's Office.

ALTERNATIVES

The City Council may take the following actions:

- Uphold the Planning Commission's decision and approve PA-15-10. Any modifications to the conditions of approval, such as additions or deletions, can be made by the Council as part of this action; or
- Reverse the Planning Commission's approval and deny PA-15-10. If the project were to be denied, appropriate findings would need to be made and the project

applicant could not submit substantially the same type of application for six months.

CONCLUSION

De novo literally translates to "anew," "afresh" or "a second time." A de novo hearing is essentially a new proceeding where the proposal is presented to the City Council for final consideration. In its decision making, City Council is not restricted to the evidence that was previously presented to the Planning Commission.

MEL LEE, AICP Senior Planner		GARY ARMSTRONG, AICP Economic Development & Development Services Director /Deputy CEO
Attachments:	2. <u>Plar</u>	nity, Zoning, and 500 ft. Radius Maps Ining Commission Staff Report, Supplemental Memo and Ated Exhibits
	3. App	eal Application
		Council Draft Resolutions and Related Exhibits official) Planning Commission Minute Excerpts
		ce of Decision Planning Commission Action and Ining Commission Resolution
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RESOLUTION NO. PC-15-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA UPHOLDING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF PLANNING APPLICATION PA-15-10 AND TENTATIVE TRACT MAP TT-17870 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2366 ORANGE AVENUE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, an application was filed by Eric Trabert of E.T.A. Residential Design, representing Kings Road Partners LLC, the property owner, requesting approval of the following:

- 1. *Planning Application PA-15-10:* Design Review to construct a 6-unit, two-story, detached residential development on a 23,159 square foot lot (.53 acres) with the following:
 - a. Administrative adjustment from front yard setback for Lot 6/ Plan C (20 feet required; 12 feet proposed off of Norse Avenue).
 - b. Minor modification for front yard setback for a front porch on Lot 1/ Plan A (20 feet required; 16 feet proposed).
- 2. **Tentative Tract Map TT-17870:** A Residential Small Lot Subdivision consisting of six fee simple lots.

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2015, a duly noticed public hearing was held before the Planning Commission, which included presentation of the project by staff and the applicant; and

WHEREAS, at the public hearing, the Planning Commission received public comments and elicited responses from staff regarding the objections raised; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission, based on the evidence and testimony presented during the hearing, voted to approve the project by a 4-0 vote, with Commissioner Stephan Andranian absent; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2015, an appeal of the decision of the Planning Commission's approval of the project was filed; and

WHEREAS, a duly noticed public hearing was held by the City Council on July 21, 2015 with all persons having the opportunity to speak for and against the proposal; and

WHEREAS, the project has been reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and the City of Costa Mesa Environmental Guidelines, and has been found to be categorically exempt from CEQA under Section 15332 for In-Fill Development Projects.

WHEREAS, the CEQA categorical exemption for this project reflects the independent judgment of the City of Costa Mesa.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA FINDS AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

BE IT RESOLVED that, based on the evidence in the record and the findings contained in Exhibit A, and subject to the conditions of approval contained within Exhibit B, the City Council hereby **UPHOLDS** the Planning Commission decision and **APPROVES** Planning Application PA-15-10 and Tentative Tract Map TT-17870.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Costa Mesa City Council does hereby find and determine that adoption of this Resolution is expressly predicated upon the activity as described in the staff report for Planning Application PA-15-10 and Tentative Tract Map TT-17870 and upon the applicant's compliance with each and all of the conditions in Exhibit B and compliance of all applicable federal, state, and local laws. Any approval granted by this resolution shall be subject to review, modification or revocation if there is a material change that occurs in the operation, or if the applicant fails to comply with any of the conditions of approval and/or mitigation measures.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if any section, division, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this resolution, or the documents in the record in support of this resolution, are for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.

The City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution and shall forward a copy to the applicant, and any person requesting the same.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of July, 2015.

STEPHEN M. MENSINGER Mayor, City of Costa Mesa

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA))ss COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, BRENDA GREEN, City Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the City Council of the City of Costa Mesa, hereby certify that the above Council Resolution Number 15____ as considered at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 21st day of July, 2015, and thereafter passed and adopted as a whole at the regular meeting of said City Council held on the 21st day of July, 2015, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereby set my hand and affixed the Seal of the City of Costa Mesa this ____ day of _____, 2015

EXHIBIT A

FINDINGS (APPROVAL)

A The information presented substantially complies with Costa Mesa Municipal Code Section 13-29(g)(14) in that:

Finding: The project complies with the City of Costa Mesa Zoning Code and meets the purpose and intent of the Residential Design Guidelines, which are intended to promote design excellence in new residential construction, with consideration being given to compatibility with the established residential community. This design review includes site planning, preservation of overall open space, landscaping, appearance, mass and scale of structures, location of windows, varied roof forms and roof plane breaks, and any other applicable design features.

Facts in Support of Findings: The architectural design of the development meets the intent of the City's Residential Development Standards and Design Guidelines and promotes design excellence with consideration given to site planning and building orientation, overall open space, landscaping and architectural design. Second floor windows will be required to be offset to minimize direct views onto adjacent second floor residential windows, and the elevations will have exterior elevation treatments as recommended in the City's Residential Design Guidelines.

The Planning Commission also considered the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines and the effect of the proposed development on the light, air, and privacy of adjacent properties with specific regard to the abutting single-family residential properties along E. Wilson Street in the R1 zone (southerly property line) and the adjacent multi-family and single-family structures in the R2-MD zone at Orange and Norse Avenue (northerly property line). The Planning Commission determined that the minimum 5-foot setback (and up to 13-foot setback) along the southerly property line of the development lot complied with the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines and found that this sidevard setback would provide adequate light, air, and privacy to the abutting singlefamily residential properties along E. Wilson Street. The Planning Commission also found that the proposed project was exempt from the Residential Design Guideline as it relates to the average side yard setback requirement of 10 feet on the second story. This requirement would not apply to two-story new construction with less than 2,700 square feet of living area (not including garage). In this case, the proposed single-family residential unit sizes range between 2,265 square feet and 2,678 square feet, and are therefore exempt from the requirement.

Finding: The visual prominence associated with the construction of two-story homes in a predominately one-story neighborhood has been reduced through appropriate transitions between the first and second floors and the provision of second floor offsets to avoid long unarticulated two-story walls.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed two-story structures are in keeping with the rest of the neighborhood which has a variety of two-story buildings. The elevations of the proposed residences include a variety of materials, articulating roof lines, and use of window treatments to highlight the vertical offsets and horizontal floor to floor transitions.

Finding: The proposed development plan and subdivision meets the broader goals of the General Plan, and the Zoning Code by exhibiting excellence in design, site planning, integration of uses and structures and protection of the integrity of neighboring development.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project provides ownership opportunities for detached units in place of the existing residential structures. The project exhibits site planning excellence by providing private open spaces for all units and adequate separation between the homes and the abutting structures. In addition, in order to provide adequate light, air, and privacy to the abutting single-family residential properties along E. Wilson Street, the Planning Commission has required, through a condition of approval, the applicant to modify the southerly elevations of Units 1 through 6 with transom windows on the second story elevations along the 5foot side setback, provided that building code and fire code requirements are met. The Planning Commission has also required, through a condition of approval, that the final landscape plan include a minimum of one 24-inch box tree along the southerly property line of each individual dwelling unit for screening purposes to the satisfaction of the Development Services Director. The applicant may also propose other landscaping or screening alternatives for the review/approval of the Development Services Director to satisfy this requirement

B. The proposed parcel map complies with Costa Mesa Municipal Code Section 13-29(g)(13) because:

Finding: The creation of the subdivision and related improvements is consistent with the General Plan and the Zoning Code.

Facts in Support of Findings: The creation of the subdivision is consistent with General Plan Land Use Element in that the project complies with Objectives 1A.4, 2A.7, and 2A.8 by developing owner-occupied housing to improve the balance between rental and ownership housing opportunities, the project provides sufficient amenities as a small lot subdivision development, and encourages increased private market investment in declining or deteriorating neighborhoods.

Finding: The proposed use of the subdivision is compatible with the General Plan.

Facts in Support of Findings: The density for the residential component is 11.3 units per acre (6 units maximum), which complies with allowable density of 12 units per acre (6 units maximum) per the General Plan.

Finding: The subject property is physically suitable to accommodate the subdivision in terms of type, design, and density of development, and will not result in substantial environmental damage nor public health problems, based on compliance with the Zoning Code and General Plan, and consideration of appropriate environmental information.

Facts in Support of Findings: The overall design reflects a quality project that is consistent with the intent of the Zoning Code and General Plan. The project site is already developed with multi-family residences, and does not have any sensitive environmental resources. The proposed project will provide for high-quality housing and not impede upon the health, safety, and welfare of the surrounding community.

The Planning Commission also considered the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines and the effect of the proposed development on the light, air, and privacy of adjacent properties with specific regard to the abutting single-family residential properties along E. Wilson Street in the R1 zone (southerly property line) and the adjacent multi-family and single-family structures in the R2-MD zone at Orange and Norse Avenue (northerly property line). The Planning Commission determined that the minimum 5-foot setback (and up to 13-foot setback) along the southerly property line of the development lot complied with the General Plan, Zoning Code, and Residential Design Guidelines and found that this sideyard setback would provide adequate light, air, and privacy to the abutting singlefamily residential properties along E. Wilson Street.

Finding: The design of the subdivision provides, to the extent feasible, for future passive or natural heating and cooling opportunities in the subdivision, as required by State Government Code Section 66473.1.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed buildings include openings in a north-south direction to take advantage of passive solar heating as well as passive ventilation from ocean breezes. The southern facing rooflines also have the potential to provide for active solar heating and energy generation through the use of solar panels.

Finding: The subdivision and development of the property will not unreasonably interfere with the free and complete exercise of the public entity and/or public utility rights-of-way and/or easements within the tract.

Facts in Support of Findings: As conditioned, the proposed project does not interfere with the public right-of-way. The recommended improvements along Orange and Norse Avenues will significantly improve the public right-of-ways for vehicular and pedestrian traffic. In addition, a 5-foot side setback provides for adequate access space for the existing utility easement along the southern property line. A letter of approval [pending at the date of this report] from Southern California Edison will allow the project to encroach into the 6-foot utility easement.

Finding: The discharge of sewage from this subdivision into the public sewer system will not violate the requirements of the California Regional Water Quality Control Board pursuant to Division 7 (commencing with Section 13000 of the Water Code).

Facts in Support of Findings: The applicant will be required to comply with all regulations set forth by the Costa Mesa Sanitation District as well as the Mesa Water District.

C. The information presented substantially complies with Costa Mesa Municipal Code Section 13-29(g)(1) in that:

Findings:

- a. Because of special circumstances applicable to the property, the strict application of development standards deprives the property of privileges enjoyed by others in the vicinity.
- b. The deviation shall not constitute a grant of special privileges inconsistent with other properties in the vicinity.
- c. The granting of the deviation will not allow a use, density, or intensity which is not in accordance with the general plan designation for the property.

Facts in Support of Findings: The proposed project, specifically Lot 6/Plan C, proposes to encroach into the required 20-foot front setback along Norse Avenue, as a portion of the residential unit is proposed at a 12-foot front setback. The development lot has an unusual circumstance, in that there are two front setbacks as a result of abutting two public right-of-ways, including Orange Avenue on the western portion of the property, and Norse Avenue on the east. Under normal circumstances, a property normally has a front, side and rear setback, and the small lot subdivision standards would allow for a 10-foot rear setback. The primary access for the development lot is Orange Avenue, and therefore is considered the dominant front portion of the development lot. Without Norse Avenue, Lot 6/Plan C would be considered the rear portion of the development lot, and therefore be allowed to utilize a 10-foot rear setback. The structure is setback 12 feet from the closest point from the front property line, thus being setback further than what would be allowed if considered the rear setback. Therefore, approval of an administrative adjustment from front yard setback along Norse Ave would help remediate the project from the strict application of development standards, and allow the property the same privileges enjoyed by others in the vicinity under identical zoning classifications. The proposed project does not constitute a grant of special privileges inconsistent with other properties in the vicinity.

The proposed project is located within the Medium Density Residential General Plan land use designation, which allows a density up to 12 units per acre. The project site is 0.53 acres, and therefore would allow for a maximum of 6 units. The project, as proposed, is consistent with the General Plan land use designation. As such, granting the deviation will not allow a use, density, or intensity which is not in accordance with the general plan designation for the

property.

D. The information presented substantially complies with Costa Mesa Municipal Code Section 13-29(g)(6) in that:

Findings:

- a. The improvement will not be materially detrimental to the health, safety, and general welfare of persons residing or working within the immediate vicinity of the project or to property and improvements within the neighborhood.
- b. The improvement is compatible and enhances the architecture and design of the existing and anticipated development in the vicinity. This includes the site planning, land coverage, landscaping, appearance, scale of structures, open space, and any other applicable features relative to a compatible and attractive development.

Facts in Support of Findings: The project is requesting a Minor Modification to allow for an encroachment into the required front yard setback. The project, specifically Lot 1/Plan A, is requesting a reduction from 20 feet to 16 feet for the front setback along the front (westerly) property line to allow for the supporting posts of a projecting patio cover to project 4 feet into required 20-foot front setback. The garage for Plan A is proposed to maintain a 20-foot setback from the front property line. The setbacks of existing neighboring structures were considered with regard to the project's proposed modification to the front setback. The 20% reduction in front yard depth is located away from properties adjacent to the project site, and does not affect pedestrian travel along Orange Avenue. In addition, the proposed 16-foot setback for the covered porch will not impact the visual line of site safety issues related to vehicular travel. The driveways for neighboring properties are located away from the proposed project site. The driveway for the neighboring property to north is located on the opposite side of the proposed project site. The neighboring property to the south is a corner lot, and the corresponding driveway is not located along Orange Avenue. The proposed project will not be detrimental to the health, safety, and general welfare of persons residing or working within the immediate vicinity of the project or to property and improvements within the neighborhood. In addition, the project will be required to comply with all applicable provision of the Uniform Building Code with regard to safety.

In regards to design, Plan A is designed to be consistent with the materials, massing, scale and articulation of the multi-family residential area for maximum compatibility. The design of Plan A is well articulated with overhangs, porches, roof dormers, and stepped floor plans. The projecting covered porch provides an attractive entrance into the project site. In addition, the proposed project provides for adequate landscaping with drought tolerant trees, shrubs, and groundcover to enhance the project site. Therefore, the proposed project is compatible and enhances the architecture and design of the existing and anticipated development in the vicinity.

E. The project has been reviewed for compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), the CEQA Guidelines, and the City's environmental

procedures. The project is categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 15332 for In-Fill Development Projects. This exemption allows for the construction of up to six multi-family residential structures in urbanized areas, which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment.

F. The project is exempt from Chapter XII, Article 3 Transportation System Management, of Title 13 of the Costa Mesa Municipal Code.

EXHIBIT B

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- Plng. 1. The expiration of Planning Application PA-15-10 shall coincide with the expiration of the approval of the Tentative Parcel Map TT-17870 which is valid for two years. An extension request is needed to extend the expiration for each additional year after the initial two-year period.
 - 2. The conditions of approval of PA-15-10 and TT-17870 shall be blueprinted on the face of the site plan as part of the plan check submittal package.
 - 3. The Tentative Tract Map shall be processed as a tentative map consistent with Chapter XI. Subdivisions, Article 1. Tentative Maps, of the Zoning Code.
 - 4. Prior to issuance of building permits, the applicant shall provide proof of recordation of Tentative Tract Map TT-17870.
 - 5. A decorative 6-foot high perimeter block wall, or stained/treated fence, as approved by the Development Services Director, shall be constructed along the side boundaries of the site prior to issuance of certificates of occupancy unless otherwise approved by the Development Services Director. Where walls on adjacent properties already exist, the applicant shall work with the adjacent property owner(s) to prevent side-by-side walls with gaps in between them and/or provide adequate privacy screening by trees and landscaping.
 - 6. The interior fences or walls between the units shall be a minimum of six feet in height.
 - 7. All future walls and fences within front yard setback along Orange Avenue and Norse Avenue Place shall conform to the standards per the Walls, Fences, and Landscaping Standards and Specifications.
 - 8. The automatic gate at Orange Avenue placed along the private driveway shall be subject final review/approval by the Transportation Manager, and shall also meet requirements per Costa Mesa Sanitary District regarding entry. Gates shall be of high quality design and feature a low noise type of gate to the extent feasible. In addition, private property signs shall be displayed on gates.
 - 9. To avoid an alley-like appearance, the driveway shall not be developed with a center concrete swale. The driveway shall be complemented by stamped concrete in order to reduce damage caused by sanitary trucks entering site for trash pickup.
 - 10. The open, unassigned parking space located between Lot 1 and Lot 2 shall be clearly marked as guest parking space only. Signage shall be posted to indicate that this space is available only to guests and visitors and not used for resident parking.
 - 11. Prior to issuance of building permits, a final landscape plan indicating the landscape palette and the design/material of paved areas shall be

submitted for review and approval by the Planning Division.

- 12. Landscaping and irrigation shall be installed in accordance with the approved plans prior to final inspection or occupancy clearance.
- 13. The final landscape plan shall be approved by the Planning Division and contain additional 24-inch box size trees above the minimum code requirements. Compliance with this requirement may include upgrading smaller size trees to 24-inch box size trees or providing additional 24-inch box trees.
- 14. No modification(s) of the approved building elevations including, but not limited to, change of architectural type, changes that increase the building height, removal of building articulation, or a change of the finish material(s), shall be made during construction without prior Planning Division written approval. This includes any modification not consistent with the proposed asphalt composition and standing metal seam roofs, horizontal lap and vertical wood siding, smooth stucco, 24-inch and 12-inch board and batten siding, decorative metal roll-up garage doors, and columns along front entry porches. Any modification should be consistent to originally proposed colors, including light and charcoal grays and earthen tones. Failure to obtain prior Planning Division approval of the modification could result in the requirement of the applicant to (re)process the modification through a discretionary review process or a variance, or in the requirement to modify the construction to reflect the approved plans.
- 15. No exterior roof access ladders, roof drain scuppers, or roof drain downspouts are permitted. This condition relates to visually prominent features of scuppers or downspouts that not only detract from the architecture but may be spilling water from overhead <u>without</u> an integrated gutter system which would typically channel the rainwater from the scupper/downspout to the ground. An integrated downspout/gutter system which is painted to match the building would comply with the condition. This condition shall be completed under the direction of the Planning Division.
- 16. The front porch overhang for Plan C shall not contain supporting posts that encroach beyond the proposed 12-foot front setback. Awnings and eaves that are not supported by supporting posts can project 5-feet into front setback.
- 17. The subject property's ultimate finished grade level may not be filled/raised in excess of 30 inches above the finished grade of any abutting property. If additional fill dirt is needed to provide acceptable on-site storm water flow to a public street, an alternative means of accommodating that drainage shall be approved by the City's Building Official prior to issuance of any grading or building permits. Such alternatives may include subsurface tie-in to public storm water facilities, subsurface drainage collection systems and/or sumps with mechanical pump discharge in-lieu of gravity flow. If mechanical pump method is

determined appropriate, said mechanical pump(s) shall continuously be maintained in working order. In any case, development of subject property shall preserve or improve the existing pattern of drainage on abutting properties. Applicant is advised that recordation of a drainage easement across the private street may be required to fulfill this requirement.

- 18. Prior to issuance of grading permits, developer shall submit for review and approval a Construction Management Plan. This plan features methods to minimize disruption to the neighboring residential uses to the fullest extent that is reasonable and practicable. The plan shall include construction parking and vehicle access and specifying staging areas and delivery and hauling truck routes. The plan should mitigate disruption to residents during construction. The truck route plan shall preclude truck routes through residential areas and major truck traffic during peak hours. The total truck trips to the site shall not exceed 200 trucks per day (i.e., 100 truck trips to the site plus 100 truck trips from the site) unless approved by the Development Services Director or Transportation Services Manager.
- 19. The applicant shall contact the Planning Division to arrange a Planning inspection of the site prior to the release of occupancy/utilities. This inspection is to confirm that the conditions of approval and code requirements have been satisfied.
- 20. The project shall comply with Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations established by the energy conservation standards. The project Applicant shall incorporate the following in building plans:
 - a. Double paned glass or window treatment for energy conservation shall be used in all exterior windows.
 - b. Building shall be oriented north/south where feasible.
- 21. Trash facilities shall be screened from view, and designed and located appropriately to minimize potential noise and odor impacts to residential areas.
- 22. Prior to issuance of building permits, the applicant shall provide the Conditions, Covenants, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) to the Development Services Director and City Attorney's office for review. The CC&Rs must be in a form and substance acceptable to, and shall be approved by the Development Services Director and City Attorney's office.

a. The CC&R's shall contain restrictions requiring residents to park vehicles in garage spaces provided for each unit. Storage of other items may occur only to the extent that vehicles may still be parked within the required garage at the number for which the garage was originally designed and to allow for inspections by the association to verify compliance with this condition.

b. Any subsequent revisions to the CC&Rs related to these provisions must be reviewed and approved by the City Attorney's office and the Development Services Director before they become effective.

- 23. Prior to issuance of a certificate of occupancy, the applicant shall file and record a declaration of covenants, conditions, and restrictions (CC&Rs) on the property. The establishment of a homeowner's association shall be optional. Prior to issuance of a building permit, a draft of the CC&Rs shall be remitted to the Development Services Director and City Attorney's office for review and approval. Because there are no common areas for circulation, parking, or landscape purposes, the CC&Rs shall be limited to the ground rules related to: architectural control over future building modifications or additions, architectural design and guidelines for the property, and engagement in alternative dispute resolution before filing a lawsuit to resolve conflicts. The Development Services Director has the discretion to request any other provisions in the CC&Rs to promote self-governance between the two property owners.
- 24. The CC&Rs shall contain a notice that the open parking space (not leading to a garage) shall be unassigned and available for visitors. The CC&Rs shall also contain provisions related to use, preservation and maintenance of the common drive aisle and open space areas in perpetuity by the maintenance or homeowner's association
- 25. The CC&Rs shall contain provisions requiring that the maintenance or homeowner's association effectively manage parking and contract with a towing service to enforce the parking regulations.
- 26. Prior to final recordation of the map, applicant shall provide written documentation from Southern California Edison to specifically allow the encroachment into the utility easement by the proposed structures. This document may indicate that the easement will be quitclaimed or modified to allow the proposed structures. This documentation shall be approved by the Development Services Director and the City Engineer prior to final map recordation unless an extension is granted by the Development Services Director. The City Attorney's office shall require legal documentation (i.e. hold harmless agreement, etc.) be submitted by the applicant if construction is allowed to proceed while the quitclaim process (other procedure as specified by SCE) is pending.
- 27. The Homeowner's Association or Maintenance Association shall submit a signed affidavit to the City of Costa Mesa on an annual basis to certify the following:
 - a. The two-car garages in the residential community are being used for vehicle parking by the resident(s).
 - b. The vehicle parking areas within the garage are not obstructed by storage items, including but not limited to, toys, clothing, tools, boxes, equipment, etc.
 - c. The resident(s) have consented to voluntary inspections of the garage to verify the parking availability, as needed.

The form and content of the affidavit shall be provided by the City Attorney's office. Failure to file the annual affidavit is considered a violation of this condition.

- 28. Transformers, backflow preventers, and any other approved aboveground utility improvement shall be located outside of the required street setback area and shall be screened from view, under direction of Planning staff. Any deviation from this requirement shall be subject to review and approval of the Development Services Director.
- 29. The applicant shall defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the City, its elected and appointed officials, agents, officers and employees from any claim, action, or proceeding (collectively referred to as "proceeding") brought against the City, its elected and appointed officials, agents, officers or employees arising out of (1) City's approval of the project, including but not limited to any proceeding under the California Environmental Quality Act. The indemnification shall include, but not be limited to, damages, fees and/or costs awarded against the City, if any, and cost of suit, attorney's fees, and other costs, liabilities and expenses incurred in connection with such proceeding whether incurred by the applicant, the City and/or the parties initiating or bringing such proceeding. This indemnify provision shall include the applicant's obligation to indemnify the City for all the City's costs, fees, and damages that the City incurs in enforcing the indemnification provisions set forth in this section.
- 30. Concrete wheel stops shall be installed 2' from the front edge of open parking spaces, or where applicable, landscape planters shall be increased 2' in depth to allow curbing to serve as a wheel stop.
- PC 31. To address privacy concerns, the applicant shall modify the southerly elevations of Units 1 through 6 with transom windows on the second story elevations along the 5-foot side setback, provided that building code and fire code requirements are met.
- PC 32. The final landscape plan shall include a minimum of one 24-inch box tree along the southerly property line of each individual dwelling unit for screening purposes to the satisfaction of the Development Services Director. Applicant may propose other landscaping or screening alternatives for the review/approval of the Development Services Director to satisfy this requirement.
- PC 33. The CC&Rs shall include a restriction that expressly prohibits the following: (1) the construction of a full height wall for the Bonus Room on the second floor of Unit 1 (Plan A) and/or (2) conversion of the Bonus Room into a bedroom.
- Eng 34. Comply with the requirements contained in the letter prepared by the City Engineer (Exhibit B1).
- Eng. 35. Provide a three-foot public sidewalk easement behind existing right of way line on Norse Avenue for ADA compliance.
- Eng. 36. Maintain the public right-of-way in a "wet-down" condition to prevent excessive dust and promptly remove any spillage from the public right-of-way by sweeping or sprinkling.
- Pkwys 37. Plant one (1) 24" Box Pyrus calleryana 'Chanticleer' along the Orange Avenue parkway.

CODE REQUIREMENTS

The following list of federal, state and local laws applicable to the project has been compiled by staff for the applicant's reference. Any reference to "City" pertains to the City of Costa Mesa.

- Plng.
 All contractors and subcontractors must have valid business licenses to do business in the City of Costa Mesa. Final inspections, final occupancy and utility releases will not be granted until all such licenses have been obtained.
 - 2. Applicant shall provide the City with proof of general liability insurance including endorsements concerning "additional named insured", "advance notice", and "primary coverage" as approved by the City attorney's office.
 - 3. Address assignment shall be requested from the Planning Division prior to submittal of working drawings for plan check. The approved address of individual units, suites, buildings, etc., shall be blueprinted on the site plan and on all floor plans in the working drawings.
 - 4. Prior to issuance of building permits, applicant shall contact the US Postal Service with regard to location and design of mail delivery facilities. Such facilities shall be shown on the site plan, landscape plan, and/or floor plan.
 - 5. Prior to issuance of occupancy permits, the Developer shall pay a park impact fee or dedicate parkland to meet the demands of the proposed development.
 - 6. A minimum 20-foot by 20-foot clear interior dimension shall be provided for all garages.
 - 7. Minimum garage door width shall be 16 feet.
 - 8. All garages shall be provided with automatic garage door openers.
 - 9. Hours of construction shall comply with Section 13-279, Title 13, of the Costa Mesa Municipal Code.
 - 10. Two (2) sets of detailed landscape and irrigation plans, which meet the requirements set forth in Costa Mesa Municipal Code Sections 13-101 through 13-108 and the City's Water Efficient Landscape Guidelines, shall be required as part of the project plan check review and approval process. Plans shall be forwarded to the Planning Division for final approval prior to issuance of building permits.
 - 11. Two (2) sets of landscape and irrigation plans, approved by the Planning Division, shall be attached to two of the final building plan sets.
 - 12. All on-site utility services shall be installed underground.
 - 13. Installation of all utility meters shall be performed in a manner so as to obscure the installation from view from any place on or off the property. The installation shall be in a manner acceptable to the public utility and shall be in the form of a vault, wall cabinet, or wall box under the direction

of the Planning Division.

- 14. Any mechanical equipment such as air-conditioning equipment and duct work shall be screened from view in a manner approved by the Planning Division.
- 15. Prior to approval of plans, the project shall fulfill the City of Costa Mesa Drainage Ordinance No. 06-19 requirements.
- 16. If present and/or projected exterior noise exceeds 60 CNEL, California Noise Insulation Standards, Title 25, California Code of Regulations require a maximum interior noise level of 45 CNEL for residential structures. If required interior noise levels are achieved by requiring that windows be inoperable or closed, the design for the structure must also specify the means that will be employed to provide ventilation, and cooling if necessary, to provide a habitable interior environment.
- 17. All noise-generating construction activities shall be limited to 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday. Noisegenerating construction activities shall be prohibited on Sunday and the Federal holidays: New Years Day, Memorial Day, following Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.
- 18. Planning Commission action on PA-15-10 shall not become final until seven (7) days following final action.
- 19. Comply with the requirements of the 2013 California Building Code, 2013 California Residential Code, 2013 California Electrical Code, 2013 California Mechanical Code, 2013 California Plumbing Code, 2013 California Green Building Standards Code and 2013 California Energy Code (or the applicable adopted, California Building Code, California Residential Code, California Electrical Code, California Mechanical Code, California Plumbing Code, California Green Building Standards, and California Energy Code at the time of plan submittal or permit issuance) and California Code of Regulations also known as the California Building Standards Code, as amended by the City of Costa Mesa. Areas of alteration and additions shall comply with 2013 California Green Building Standards Code section 5.303.2 and 5.303.2.
 - 20. Submit precise grading plans, an erosion control plan, and a hydrology study.
 - 21. Submit a soils report for this project. Soil's report recommendations shall be blueprinted on both the architectural and grading plans. For existing slopes or when new slopes are proposed, the soils report shall address how existing or new slopes will be maintained to avoid erosion or future failure.
 - 22. On graded sites the top of exterior foundation shall extend above the elevation of the street gutter at point of discharge or the inlet of an approved discharge devise a minimum of 12 inches plus 2 percent. 2013 California Building Code CRC 403.1.7.3.
 - 23. Lots shall be graded to drain surface water away from foundation walls. The grade shall fall a minimum of six inches within the first 10 feet. CRC

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- 24. Projections, including eaves, shall be one-hour fire resistive construction, heavy timber or noncombustible material if they project into the 5-foot setback area from the property line. They may project a maximum of 12 inches beyond the 3-foot setback. CRC Tables R302.1 (1) and R302.1 (2).
- 25. Prior to the issuance of Grading Permits, the project Applicant shall provide the City of Costa Mesa Department of Building Safety with a geotechnical investigation of the project site detailing recommendations for remedial grading in order to reduce the potential of onsite soils to cause unstable conditions. Design, grading, and construction shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of the California Building Code applicable at the time of grading, appropriate local grading regulations, and the recommendations of the geotechnical consultant as summarized in a final written report, subject to review by the City of Costa Mesa Department of Building Safety.
- 26. During demolition, grading, and excavation, workers shall comply with the requirements of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 1532.1, which provides for exposure limits, exposure monitoring, respiratory protection, and good working practice by workers exposed to lead. Lead-contaminated debris and other wastes shall be managed and disposed of in accordance with the applicable provision of the California Health and Safety Code.
- 27. During demolition, grading, and excavation, workers shall comply with the requirements of Title 8 of the California Code of Regulations, Section 1529, which provides for exposure limits, exposure monitoring, respiratory protection, and good working practices by workers exposed to asbestos. Asbestos-contaminated debris and other wastes shall be managed and disposed of in accordance with the applicable provision of the California Health and Safety Code.
- 28. All construction contractors shall comply with South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) regulations, including Rule 403, Fugitive Dust. All grading (regardless of acreage) shall apply best available control measures for fugitive dust in accordance with Rule 403. To ensure that the project is in full compliance with applicable SCAQMD dust regulations and that there is no nuisance impact off the site, the contractor would implement each of the following:
 - a. Moisten soil not more than 15 minutes prior to moving soil or conduct whatever watering is necessary to prevent visible dust emissions from exceeding 100 feet in any direction.
 - b. Apply chemical stabilizers to disturbed surface areas (completed grading areas) within five days of completing grading or apply dust suppressants or vegetation sufficient to maintain a stabilized surface.
 - c. Water excavated soil piles hourly or covered with temporary coverings.

- d. Water exposed surfaces at least twice a day under calm conditions. Water as often as needed on windy days when winds are less than 25 miles per day or during very dry weather in order to maintain a surface crust and prevent the release of visible emissions from the construction site.
- e. Wash mud-covered tired and under-carriages of trucks leaving construction sites.
- f. Provide for street sweeping, as needed, on adjacent roadways to remove dirt dropped by construction vehicles or mud, which would otherwise be carried off by trucks departing project sites.
- a. Securely cover loads with a tight fitting tarp on any truck leaving the construction sites to dispose of debris.
- h. Cease grading during period when winds exceed 25 miles per hour.
- 29. Construct all proposed driveway approaches to comply with city Trans. standards.
 - 30. Fulfill mitigation of off-site traffic impacts at the time of issuance of occupancy by submitting to the Planning Division the required traffic impact fee pursuant to the prevailing schedule of charges adopted by the City Council. The traffic impact fee is calculated including credits for all existing uses. NOTE: The Traffic Impact Fee will be recalculated at the time of issuance of building permit/certificate of occupancy based upon any changes in the prevailing schedule of charges adopted by the City Council and in effect at that time.
 - 31. Close unused drive approaches, or portion of, with full height curb and gutter that comply with City Standards.
- 32. Prior to the issuance of a Building Permit, the City of Costa Mesa Fire Department shall review and approve the project design features to assess compliance with the California Building Code and California Fire Code.
 - 33. The project shall provide an automatic fire sprinkler system according to NFPA 13D.
 - 34. Street addresses shall be visible from the public street and may be displayed either on the front door, on the fascia adjacent to the main entrance, or on another prominent location. When the property has alley access, address numerals shall be displayed in a prominent location visible from the alley. Numerals shall be a minimum six (6) inches in height with not less than one-half-inch stroke and shall contrast sharply with the background.
- Eng 35. At the time of development submit for approval an Offsite Plan to the Engineering Division and Grading Plan to the Building Division that shows Sewer, Water, Existing Parkway Improvements and the limits of work on the site, and hydrology calculations, both prepared by a registered Civil Engineer or Architect. Construction Access approval must be obtained prior to Building or Engineering Permits being issued by the City of Costa Mesa. Pay Offsite Plan Check fee per Section 13-

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231 of the C.C.M.M.C. and an approved Offsite Plan shall be required prior to Engineering Permits being issued by the City of Costa Mesa.

- 36. Maintain the public Right-of-Way in a "wet-down" condition to prevent excessive dust and remove any spillage from the public Right-of-Way by sweeping or sprinkling.
- 37. Obtain an encroachment permit from the Engineering Division for any work in the City public right-of-way. Pay required permit fee & cash deposit or surety bond to guarantee construction of off-site street improvements at time of permit per section 15-31 & 15-32, C.C.M.M.C. as approved by City Engineer. Cash deposit or surety bond amount to be determined by City Engineer.
- 38. Obtain a permit from the City of Costa Mesa, Engineering Division, at the time of development and then construct P.C.C. driveway approaches per City of Costa Mesa Standards as shown on the Offsite Plan. Location and dimensions are subject to the approval of the Transportation Services Manager. ADA compliance required for new driveway approaches.
- 39. Obtain a permit from the City of Costa Mesa, Engineering Division, at the time of development and then construct P.C.C. Residential sidewalk per City of Costa Mesa Standards as shown on the Off-site Plan, including four (4) feet clear around obstructions in the sidewalk.
- 40. Obtain a permit from the City of Costa Mesa, Engineering Division, at the time of development and then remove any existing driveways and/or curb depressions that will not be used and replace with full height curb and sidewalk at applicant's expense.
- 41. Fulfill Drainage Fee requirements per City of Costa Mesa Ordinance No. 06-19 prior to approval of Final Map/Approval of Plans.
- 42. In order to comply with the 2003 Drainage Area Management Plan (DAMP), the proposed Project shall prepare a Water Quality Management Plan conforming to the Current National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) and the Model WQMP, using latest version of template dated August 2011, shall be prepared by a Licensed Civil Engineer or Environmental Engineer, which shall be submitted to the Department of Public Works for review and approval.

a) A WQMP (Priority or Non-Priority) shall be maintained and updated as needed to satisfy the requirements of the adopted NPDES program. The plan shall ensure that the existing water quality measures for all improved phases of the project are adhered to.

b) Location of BMPs shall not be within the public right-of-way.

SPECIAL DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS

The requirements of the following special districts are hereby forwarded to the applicant:

- Sani. 1. Applicant will be required to construct sewers to serve this project, at his own expense, meeting the approval of the Costa Mesa Sanitary District.
 - 2. County Sanitation District fees, fixture fees, inspection fees, and sewer permit are required prior to installation of sewer.

- 3. Applicant shall submit a plan showing sewer improvements that meets the District Engineer's approval to the Building Division as part of the plans submitted for plan check.
- 4. The applicant is required to contact the Costa Mesa Sanitary District at (949) 645-8400 to arrange final sign-off prior to certificate of occupancy being released.
- 5. Unless an off-site trash hauler is being used, applicant shall contact the Costa Mesa Sanitary District at (949) 645-8400 to pay trash collection program fees and arrange for service for all new residences. Residences using bin or dumpster services are exempt from this requirement.
- 6. Applicant shall contact Costa Mesa Sanitary District at (949) 654-8400 for any additional district requirements.
- AQMD 7. Applicant shall contact the Air Quality Management District (AQMD) at (800) 288-7664 for potential additional conditions of development or for additional permits required by AQMD.
- Water 8. Customer shall contact the Mesa Water District Engineering Desk and submit an application and plans for project review. Customer must obtain a letter of approval and a letter of project completion from Mesa Water District.
- School 9. Pay applicable Newport Mesa Unified School District fees to the Building Division prior is issuance of building permits.
- State 10. Comply with the requirements of the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to determine if red imported fire ants (RIFA) exist on the property prior to any soil movement or excavation. Call CDFA at (714) 708-1910 for information.
- Cable 11. The applicant shall contact the current cable company prior to issuance of building permits to arrange for pre-wiring for future cable communication service.

RESOLUTION NO. PC-15-

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA REVERSING THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPROVAL OF PLANNING APPLICATION PA-15-10 AND TENTATIVE TRACT MAP TT-17870 FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2366 ORANGE AVENUE

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

WHEREAS, an application was filed by Eric Trabert of E.T.A. Residential Design, representing Kings Road Partners LLC, the property owner, requesting approval of the following:

- 1. *Planning Application PA-15-10:* Design Review to construct a 6-unit, two-story, detached residential development on a 23,159 square foot lot (.53 acres) with the following:
 - a. Administrative adjustment from front yard setback for Lot 6/ Plan C (20 feet required; 12 feet proposed off of Norse Avenue).
 - b. Minor modification for front yard setback for a front porch on Lot 1/ Plan A (20 feet required; 16 feet proposed).
- 2. **Tentative Tract Map TT-17870:** A Residential Small Lot Subdivision consisting of six fee simple lots.

WHEREAS, on June 22, 2015, a duly noticed public hearing was held before the Planning Commission, which included presentation of the project by staff and the applicant. In addition, public comments were received by the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission, based on the evidence and testimony presented during the hearing, voted to approve the project by a 4-0 vote, with Commissioner Stephan Andranian absent; and

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2015, an appeal of the decision of the Planning Commission's approval was filed; and

WHEREAS, a duly noticed public hearing was held by the City Council on July 21, 2015 with all persons having the opportunity to speak for and against the proposal.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA FINDS AND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

BE IT RESOLVED, therefore, that based on the evidence in the record and the findings contained in this resolution, the City Council hereby reverses the approval of the Planning Commission and **DENIES** PA-15-10 with respect to the property described above.

The City Clerk shall attest to the adoption of this resolution and shall forward a copy to the applicant, and any person requesting the same.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 21ST day of July, 2015.

STEPHEN M. MENSINGER Mayor, City of Costa Mesa

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF COSTA MESA CITY ATTORNEY

STATE OF CALIFORNIA))ss COUNTY OF ORANGE)

I, BRENDA GREEN, City Clerk and ex-officio Clerk of the City Council of the City of Costa Mesa, hereby certify that the above Council Resolution Number 15____ as considered at a regular meeting of said City Council held on the 21st day of July, 2015, and thereafter passed and adopted as a whole at the regular meeting of said City Council held on the 21st day of July, 2015, by the following roll call vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereby set my hand and affixed the Seal of the City of Costa Mesa this ____ day of _____, 2015

EXHIBIT A

FINDINGS (DENIAL)

A. The information presented does not comply with Costa Mesa Municipal Code Section 13-29(g)(14) in that:

Finding: The project does not comply with the City of Costa Mesa Zoning Code or meets the purpose and intent of the Residential Design Guidelines, which are intended to promote design excellence in new residential construction, with consideration being given to compatibility with the established residential community. This design review includes site planning, preservation of overall open space, landscaping, appearance, mass and scale of structures, location of windows, varied roof forms and roof plane breaks, and any other applicable design features.

Finding: The visual prominence associated with the construction of two-story homes in a predominately one-story neighborhood has not been reduced through appropriate transitions between the first and second floors and the provision of second floor offsets to avoid long unarticulated two-story walls.

Finding: The proposed development plan and subdivision does not meet the broader goals of the General Plan, and the Zoning Code by exhibiting excellence in design, site planning, integration of uses and structures and protection of the integrity of neighboring development.

B. The information presented does not comply with Costa Mesa Municipal Code Section 13-29(g)(1) in that:

Findings:

- Because of special circumstances applicable to the property, the strict application of development standards does not deprive the property of privileges enjoyed by others in the vicinity.
- The deviations constitutes a grant of special privileges inconsistent with other properties in the vicinity.
- The granting of the deviations will allow a use, density, or intensity which is not in accordance with the general plan designation for the property.
- C. The information presented does not comply with Costa Mesa Municipal Code Section 13-29(g)(6) in that:

Findings:

- The improvement will be materially detrimental to the health, safety, and general welfare of persons residing or working within the immediate vicinity of the project or to property and improvements within the neighborhood.
- The improvement is not compatible and does not enhance the architecture and design of the existing and anticipated development in the vicinity. This includes the site planning, land coverage, landscaping, appearance, scale of structures, open space, and any other applicable features relative to a

compatible and attractive development.

- D. The subdivision of the property for a residential common interest development is not consistent with the City's General Plan and Zoning Code.
- E. The Costa Mesa Planning Commission has denied Planning Application PA-15-10 and Tentative Tract Map TT-17870. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080(b) (5) and CEQA Guidelines Section 15270(a) CEQA does not apply to this project because it has been rejected and will not be carried out.
- F. The project is exempt from Chapter IX, Article 11, Transportation System Management, of Title 13 of the Costa Mesa Municipal Code.




MEETING DATE: JULY 21, 2015

ITEM NUMBER

SUBJECT: PLANNING APPLICATION PA-15-10 AND TENTATIVE TRACT MAP TT-17870 FOR A 6-UNIT, DETACHED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT AT 2366 ORANGE AVENUE

DATE: JULY 17, 2015

FROM: RYAN LOOMIS, ASSOCIATE PLANNER

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: RYAN LOOMIS (714)754-5608 ryan.loomis@costamesaca.gov

The objectives of this memo are to:

- Provide latest version of architectural plans/elevations showing revised floor plan for Unit C. The interior wall and door for the "Activity Room" on second floor was removed (Please refer to handwritten page 10 for floor plan changes to Unit C for "Activity Room").
- Provide latest version of architectural plans/elevations showing southerly elevation changes to windows and landscape screening (Please refer to handwritten pages 2,6,7,9 and 11 for window and elevation changes).

Attachments: Revised Plans/Elevations

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Appellant: Douglas F. Gorrie 222 E. Wilson Street Costa Mesa, CA 92627



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REAR ELEVATION (PLAN A)



RIGHT ELEVATION (PLAN A)





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