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**Community Development Department** One North San Antonio Road Los Altos, California 94022 Attn: Naz Healy, Associate Planner, 650-947-2640, <u>nhealy@losaltosca.gov</u>

Re: 540 Patrick Way (Charng-Chow Residence) – (SC22-0003)

Dear Naz Healy:

Thank you for taking the time to review our community outreach letter. Below is a summary of the comments the client provided from their neighbors. The sheets shared with the neighbors were: Site Plan (page 6), Elevations (page 13-16), and Exterior Perspectives (page 17-18).

From the client:

We did our neighbor outreach to 12 neighbors this past weekend, and gave them all packets with a personal letter and reduced plans. Here is the summary

We met our neighbors in person at 530, 550, 541, 551 and 521 Patrick and gave them our packet.

The remaining 7 neighbors were not at home so we left the packet in their mailbox. One of them (531 Patrick) has apparently been gone for a while and has been traveling or something; I may see if I can get their contact info from someone.

Some more notes about our chats with our immediate neighbors.

## 3/5/22

- Went around to all homes and knocked on doors. Prepared a packet with an introductory letter with contact information (email/phone) and a reduced set of our plans.
- Met in person with homeowners at 521, 530, 541, 550 & 551 Patrick Way to briefly chat about our project, and gave them our packet.
- Had longer discussions with homeowners at 530 Patrick and 550 Patrick (our immediate neighbors) about the project.
- Owners were not present at other addresses (520/561/531 Patrick, and 417/424/425 Becker Ln). Left packet in mailboxes

### 3/6/22

• Had further discussion in-person with homeowner at 550 Patrick Way (our immediate neighbor) about the project

# 3/7/22

• Received email from homeowner of 560 Patrick Way

### 1. 530 Patrick comments:

- a. Our neighbor to the south (which is also a two-story). They actually did a remodel in the past to add the second story.
- b. Was also the selling agent for 540 Patrick, so she was already expecting a rebuild when we purchased the house
- c. So far doesn't have any problem with us doing a two story house, is overall supportive

### 2. 550 Patrick comments:

- a. He seemed to be more OK with the plans after reviewing them. Had no problem with the two-story aspect.
- 3. <u>521 Patrick</u>
  - a. I talked to the owner on that initial weekend I did the outreach this is the modern house, they did a complete rebuild. She offered to chat to share tips about the build process.
- 4. 560 Patrick comments
  - a. Owner sent me a nice welcome email last week. She said the plans look lovely and wished for a smooth construction.

Thank you for your review. Please find the supportive documents such as letters, emails, messages, and the pictures were provided by the owner in this regard in the following pages.

Please do not hesitate to call our office should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

**Eugene H. Sakai, AIA, LEED AP** President, Studio S<sup>2</sup> Architecture, Inc,

#### Dear neighbor,

We are Alvin and Ann, your new neighbors at 540 Patrick Way. We are planning a full rebuild of our house on the current property, and would like to share our plans with you to get your feedback. The new house will be a 2-story single family home with a detached ADU. We have recently begun working with the Los Altos Planning Division to review the project.

A quick introduction to ourselves: we have two children, Ashton (age 6) and Avery (age 3), and a corgi named Mollie. We both grew up in the Bay Area and have lived and worked here for most of our lives. Alvin is a software engineer and has worked at various early-stage startups. Ann formerly worked as a UX professional and now devotes her time to their children. We love to travel and enjoy the outdoors.

Los Altos has for many years been our dream location to make our forever home, and we are very excited to have the opportunity to live here. The neighborhood here is beautiful, peaceful and charming. We look forward to becoming a part of the local community and for our children to attend Los Altos schools.

Please check out the attached plans to get an idea of the house we are building. We are planning for a modern farmhouse design with a few rustic elements. It will be a green home utilizing solar panels and electric heating/appliances to minimize carbon footprint. Our landscaping plan will retain a good portion of the existing plants along the fences for privacy screening, while adding new ones as well. We are hoping our home can complement and enhance the aesthetic of the neighborhood.

If you have any feedback, concerns or questions, please feel free to send them our way! Also if you would like a digital copy of the plans, we can definitely send that to you. You can also download them at this link - **540patrick.alvinchow.com**.

Contact info: Alvin Chow alvinchow86@gmail.com 510-456-5296

Best regards, Alvin and Ann

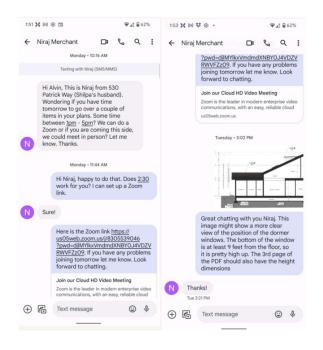




#### Email form 560 Patrick Way:



### Message form 530 Patrick Way



# Pictures from the neighbor's mailboxes:

• 560 Patrick Way



• 531 Patrick Way



• 425 Becker Ln



• 417 Backer Ln

